



Call for 2025 Gathering Workshop Presenters

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The Gun Lake Tribe's 2025 Gathering Planning Committee (also known as the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi), is seeking engaging presentation proposals from Pottawatomi Citizens for Workshop Sessions that include practical, hands-on activities (e.g., make and take), as well as semi-structured, flexible workshop opportunities to share teachings and encourage group learning and sharing that can repeat at the top of each hour for the scheduled sessions. Workshops will take place at Jijak Camp from Wednesday through Friday (July 30-August 1) of Pottawatomi Gathering. Make and take workshops are structured to accommodate a maximum of 20-25 people per session. The semi-structured, flexible workshops are structured to accommodate approximately 30-40 participants each hour.

In your letter of application, please include a presentation title, short description of your workshop idea, media needs, supplies list, and a brief bio (250 words max) of yourself. The Tribe will be purchasing all supplies to ensure their delivery to the Tribe before the start of Gathering. Please identify in your letter of application if there are any preferred vendors for supplies or specialized supplies that as a presenter you would be supplying. Please submit multiple Letters of Application for different workshop ideas if you have more than one area of expertise. On page 3 of this call for presenters, we have included an outline of topics and questions to consider when drafting your letter of application. The Committee will review all presenters' letters of application submitted by **Sunday, May 18, 2025**. Each designated point of contact for the letters of application will receive notice(s) of approval for their presentation proposals by **Friday, June 13, 2025**.

Please note the following:

1. Presenters will receive a standard presenter compensation package for a Presenter and potentially a Secondary Presenter based on the scope of the proposed workshop. Community volunteers with aligned skill sets will also be provided to each presenter as an assistant for the workshop.
2. Presenters are encouraged to propose workshops with these age ranges and skillsets in mind:
 - a. Young Families
 - b. Elementary school-aged children
 - c. Youth (12-18 years old) participants
 - d. Adult participants
 - e. Elder (50+ years old) participants
3. Compensation packages are available for the primary and secondary presenter (as previously stated need for a secondary presenter must be established in the letter of application based on the scope of the proposed workshop)

- a. If presenters require lodging, we will be able to provide one hotel room at the Gun Lake Casino Hotel for one presenter and one secondary presenter listed in the Letter of Application. Presenters presenting for one day only will receive a hotel room for two (2) nights at the Gun Lake Casino Hotel, and Presenters presenting for multiple days will receive a hotel room at the Gun Lake Casino Hotel for the nights of each workshop day presented and one additional night to accommodate travel.
- b. The primary presenter and secondary presenter will receive a \$100 honorarium for each hour presented.

Please submit all Letters of Application by Sunday, May 18, 2025, to:

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OR

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Point of Contact's Name
Point of Contact's Mailing Address
Point of Contact's Email
Point of Contact's Phone Number

Date of Submission by the Point of Contact

Dear 2025 Pottawatomi Gathering Committee:

1. Presentation Title (This can be a working title, but all titles will need to be finalized by June 1, 2025)
2. Short description of your workshop idea
3. If not included in your description, please include the following:
 - a. Target Audience
4. Media needs (examples provided below)
 - a. PowerPoint
 - b. Video/Audio
 - c. Handouts
5. Supplies List (final list must be provided by June 20)
6. Presenter(s)'s Bio(s)
 - a. Point of Contact/Primary Presenter Bio
 - i. Government Name / Neshnabé Noswen (Optional)
 - ii. Tribal Affiliation
 - iii. Clan (Optional)
 - iv. Family/Genealogy-related Information (Optional)
 - v. What will you be teaching?
 - vi. Years of experience teaching
 - vii. Give us a little of your background and education (institutional and/or community-based)
 - viii. How did you come to learn about your topic? Why did you decide to become an expert on your topic?
 - ix. Is there any additional information you'd like to provide?
 - x. Shirt Size
 - b. Secondary Presenter Bio
 - i. Please follow same format as the Primary Presenter's Bio (above), and include a mailing address, email, and phone number for the Secondary Presenter.

Migweth/Igwiyen for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Point of Contact's Name