

Everyone Is Invited

43RD INDIGENEOUS WORLD CELEBRATION

GATHERING OF NATIONS POW WOW

THE LAST DANCE



HEADLINING CAST

ANNOUNCERS: Vince Beyl - Bemidji, MN
Ruben Littlehead - Lawrence, KS
Juaquin Hamilton-Young Bird - New Town, ND
Jackson "Rolling Thunder" Tahuka - CA
James Edwards (Announcements) - Santa Fe, NM
Jason Whitehouse (Roving) - Mt Pleasant, MI
Nikki Santos (Roving) - Washington D.C.
Bart Powauke (Parade) - Fort Duchesne, UT

ARENA DIRECTORS: Randy Medicine Bear - Loveland, CO
George "Cricket" Shields - Shawnee, OK

ASSISTANT ARENA DIRECTOR: Daryl Powauke - Ft Duchesne, UT

NO. DANCE JUDGE: Irene Oaks - Maple Creek, SK

SO. DANCE JUDGE: Corey Reeder - Anadarko, OK

NO. DRUM JUDGE: Timothy Eashappie - Carry the Kettle, SK

SO. DRUM JUDGE: Rick Yazzie - Flagstaff, AZ

HEAD DANCERS: Poncho & Rebecca Brady - New Town, ND

INVITED DRUMS: Leading Arrow - Pawnee, OK

HoChunk Station - Lyndon Station, WI

Cozad - Hog Creek, OK

Young Spirit - Frog Lake, Alberta

Rio Grande - Pueblos of New Mexico

War Scout - West Valley, Utah

MISS INDIAN WORLD 2025-26: Dania Wahwasuck - Mayetta, KS

CASH AWARDS

OVER \$200,000 IN CASH & PRIZES TO BE AWARDED
34 Categories - Masters (70+), Golden Age (55-69), Adults (19-54)
1st: \$2,000 - All Adult Categories (19-54)

1st: \$10,000 - "WORLD CLASS" Northern Singing (no limit)

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DANCER & DRUM REGISTRATION:

Thurs: April 23 (10am to 3pm) - Inside Gate 8

Fri: April 24 (Opens at 9am) - Inside Tingley Coliseum

Sat: April 26 (9am - 6pm) - Inside Tingley Coliseum

GRAND ENTRIES: Fri: Noon & 7pm • Sat: 12 & 6pm **DROP OFF/PICK-UP/RIDESHARE:** Gate 4 (San Pedro Dr)

A FAIR CONTEST FOR ALL
DANCERS & SINGERS!

NEW MEXICO TRUE

APRIL 24 - 25, 2026

TINGLEY COLISEUM - EXPO NEW MEXICO
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

STAGE 49

Applications available October 1st at www.gatheringofnations.com

TRADERS MARKET

Applications for booth spaces available Oct 1st - until sold out
www.gatheringofnations.com

TICKETS

Advance Tickets at www.gatheringofnations.com - Oct 1, 2025

On-Site Tickets: At Gate 3 & Infield - Gate 8

One-Day Admission: \$25 (e-Ticket)

Two-Day Wristband: \$45 (In/Out Privilege)

VIP: \$90 (In/Out, VIP Reserved Seat, Special Entry, VIP Lounge)

All Wristbands Require Will Call Pick-up - NO REFUNDS!

WILL CALL TICKET PICK UP: Thurs, April 23, 2026 (10am-3pm)

Fri, April 24, 2026 (9am-10pm) • Sat, April 25, 2026 (9am-10pm)

DANCER/DRUM DISCOUNT CARDS: Dancers & Drum Groups on GON mailing list will receive a discount card (for 2-day wristband) in the mail to present at Dancer Registration. Good ONLY until Friday at 3pm
Redeemable only Inside Gate 8 at Dancer Registration

GENERAL PARKING: Managed Exclusively & Provided by Expo NM

All Fees Charged by Expo NM not Gathering of Nations

Directions: Enter Gate 8 (Louisiana Blvd)

BUS PARKING: Gate 1 (Central Ave)

SPECIAL CONTESTS

HONORING THE LIFE OF JAMES REEDER

MEN'S SOUTHERN FANCY

1st \$1000/Buckle/Starquilt • 2 Consolations

65+ MEN'S SOUTHERN FANCY

Champion Buckle • 5 Places Cash Awards/Starquirts

DR. LITA'S "WOMENS JINGLE" SPECIAL

RECOGNIZING ORGAN DONATION - SAVING LIVES

1st: \$500 • 2nd: \$300 • 3rd: \$200

MIDNIGHT LUCK OF THE DRAW

1 Mens & 1 Womens Category - \$10,000 to each
Sponsored by Poncho & Rebecca Brady - Head Dancers

HORSE REGALIA PARADE AND COMPETITION

HONORING THE SPIRIT OF THE NATIVE AMERICAN HORSE CULTURE

Parade and Competition Held Daily at 4pm

On Main Street on the Pow Wow Grounds

1st Place: \$1,000 - (Three Places for Each Category)

- Men's & Women's Categories (all ages)
- Horse Swag Bags to First 25 Registered
- Horse Regalia & Rider's Outfit Judged Together
- Feed, Water, Stable & Horse Trailer Parking Provided

Registration online beginning October 1, 2025

Coordinated by the Abrahamson Family - Ft. Hall, ID

www.gatheringofnations.com/horseparade

TRAVEL

More info: www.gatheringofnations.com

DoubleTree Hotel, 201 Marquette Ave NW

For Special Rate (505) 247-3344

Ramada Plaza by Wyndham, 2020 Manual Blvd NE

For Special Rate (505) 884-2511

RV CAMPING on the Expo NM Grounds

Reserve Online - Three Night Packages Only

Reservations Open October 1, 2025 (Limited)

- RV Full Hook-ups & Non-Hook-up
- Bathrooms & Showers Available
- No Tents or Car Camping

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North America's Biggest Powwow!

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