The National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development proudly presents...

The Youth Entrepreneurship Summit (YES!)

At RES Oklahoma • July 11, 2016

AGENDA

10:00 am  
Open and Welcome from Gary "Litefoot" Davis, President CEO of the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development. Mr. Davis is an enrolled member of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma. For over two decades, he has meshed his talents as a musician, actor and entrepreneur with his passion to better the future of Indian Country. His music, tours, film and television work and books have served as sources of inspiration for Native people across North America.

10:10 am  
Welcome, Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma

10:20 am  
United National Indian Tribal Youth (UNITY) Welcome from UNITY Executive Director, Mary Kim Titla and Youth Energizer - Invited UNITY is beyond excited about its new partnership with NCAIED, promoting and supporting the next generation of Native youth entrepreneurs. Today, UNITY brings its "Energizer" exercise to the YES! event, stimulating interaction and brief dialogue among conference participants. Led by Mary Kim Titla, Executive Director for UNITY, Inc., and Native youth representing UNITY youth councils, the energizer encourages you to interact and reach outside your comfort zone (as all entrepreneurs should), building on your social interaction skill set.
10:30 am  **Facebook Business Energizer: Tasha Zuzalek - Policy Program Manager, Small Business, Facebook.** Tasha is Facebook's Policy Programs Manager for Small Business, based in Washington D.C. After supporting Facebook’s Privacy team for two years, she stepped in to lead Facebook’s Small Business Boost program in North America. In 2014, Tasha coordinated over 35 networking and training seminars for thousands of small businesses around the US and Canada, educating local business communities on how to leverage the Facebook platform. Additionally, the program exposes small businesses to the local policy makers responsible for implementing legislation that impacts the US and Canadian economy. Tasha is from a long line of small business owners, who exposed her to the successes and challenges of running a small business. These experiences instilled in her such attributes as work ethic and creativity – which she credits many of her achievements to today. Tasha, who was born and raised in Santa Barbara, CA, also received her BA in Philosophy with an emphasis on Ethics & Public Policy from the University of California, Santa Barbara. She is proud of her Cherokee heritage and is looking forward to engaging with The National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development to connect and encourage the economic development of small businesses in Indian Country.

10:45 am **YES! American Indian Entrepreneur Spotlight.** An Informative knowledge sharing moment with a successful American Indian business leader and entrepreneur.

11:00 am  **Keynote: Dr. Christopher Emdin.** Dr. Emdin is an Associate Professor in the Department of Mathematics, Science and Technology at Teachers College, Columbia University; where he also serves as Director of Science Education at the Center for Health Equity and Urban Science Education. He is currently a Caperton Fellow and Hip-Hop Archive Fellow at the WEB DuBois Institute at Harvard University. He is the co creator of the #HipHopEd social media movement, and a much sought-after public speaker on a number of topics that include hip-hop education, STEM education, politics, race, class, diversity, and youth empowerment. He is also an advisor to numerous international organizations, school districts, and schools where he delivers speeches, and holds workshops/ professional development sessions for students, teachers, policy makers, and other education stakeholders within the public and private sector. Dr. Emdin has been featured nationally on ABC, CNN, PBS and in the
Wall Street Journal as well as Time Magazine.

12:00 pm Lunch is served

1:00 pm Special Presentation: TBA

2:35 pm Business Energizer

2:55 pm YES! Entrepreneurship Workshop

3:20 pm Snack Break

3:30 pm American Indian Entrepreneur Spotlight. Informative knowledge sharing moment with a successful American Indian business leader and entrepreneur.

3:55 pm United National Indian Tribal Youth (UNITY) Energizer

4:30 pm Special Remarks: Mr. Vince Logan – Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians - Invited. The United States Senate confirmed the nomination of Vincent G. Logan to serve as Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians. Mr. Logan was nominated by President Obama in September 2012. The Senate Committee on Indian Affairs approved the nomination on January 29, 2014. The Office of the Special Trustee is located within the Department of the Interior. The staff includes 650 employees who manage more than 2,900 trust accounts for over 250 tribes. Additionally, there are 380,000 Individual Indian Money trust accounts managed by the Office of the Special Trustee for individual American Indians. Logan is a tribal citizen of the Osage Nation of Oklahoma. He is the owner of The Nations Group, LLC, which works with Native American tribes on asset management, investment strategies, and financial education.

4:50 pm YES! Closing - Gary "Litefoot" Davis

5:00 pm YES! Concludes