

NATIVE NATIONS FASHION NIGHT in Partnership with Fashion Week MN "Northern Lights," forever dancing within the celestial heavens of the glacial north

Date and Time: Tue, April 25, 2023, 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM CDT

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Tickets available on Eventbrite

EVENT DESCRIPTION: Delina White, founder and owner of the fashion studio lamAnishinaabe (MN Chippewa Tribe, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe) is teaming up with Fashion Week MN to present the first annual Native Nations Fashion Night - a celebration of indigenous creative expression through fashion. This year's theme, Northern Lights, will be hosted by guest MC Kate Nelson (Artful Living Magazine), and feature designs from artists Golga Oscar from the Yup'ik Nation of Alaska and Garret Henry, Anishinaabe from the Roseau River 1st Nation Manitoba, Canada. The event will also showcase original work by students from the Deer River High School School ISD 317, "Anishinaabe Giikinooamaadi'wigamigoong," created out of a residency spearheaded by Delina White and sponsored by the Blandin Foundation.

Throughout the evening, guests are welcome to peruse the Native Artisans marketplace, featuring original jewelry, wellness products, and bespoke fashion. Guests can also enjoy a service bar with custom cocktails, and DJ set by William McKenzie (Red Lake Nation @Divewirestudios).

Native Nations Fashion Night extends beyond the runway to connect artists with each other and with audiences to catapult into a new industry standard for inclusion of Indigenous voices in fashion.

Additional elements of the night's event will include a Pop-up Marketplace,

ABOUT THE ARTISTS

Delina White of lamAnishinaabe, MN Chippewa Tribe, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, is the nearest to the Twin Cities, traveling 250 miles, will be introducing the Deer River High School ISD 317, Anishinaabe Education Leadership Group, "Anishinaabe Giikinooamaadi'wigamigoong," and their fashion designs as an advanced guided project sponsored by the Blandin Foundation. Guaranteed to be awe-inspiring! https://www.iamanishinaabe.com

Golga Oscar, Kasigluk Elders Traditional Council - Yup'ik Nation, is coming to Minneapolis on a 14-hour flight from Alaska to share with us his version of creativity. Carrying on the traditions of his people, Golga is creating apparel that is more than just a fashion statement, it is "a way of life." Instagram: @qui92 and #QukailnguumPCC

Garret Henry, Anishinaabe from Roseau River 1st Nation, Manitoba, Canada will be showcasing a new Native couture collection as an expansion of his traditional designs with a contemporary flare on Native dance outfits, for which he is widely sought out. Instagram: @g.henry19

Byron Nicholai, Yup'ik musician from Toksook Bay, Alaska, is best known for his viral videos singing in the Yup'ik language. In 2014, Nicholai started uploading videos on a Facebook page called, "I Sing, You Dance." One video in particular went viral and amassed over 150,000 views. His first album, "I Am Yup'ik," in Yup'ik won best sell in world music for New Zealand and Australia on Amazon Music. Since 2016, his style has ventured more into Yup'ik rap, hip hop, and R&B.

Kate Nelson, Alaska Native Tlingit tribal member, Master of Ceremonies: award winning Native American magazine writer and editor based in Minneapolis. Editor-in-Chief of Artful Living magazine, a top US boutique lifestyle magazine. She has interviewed such luminaries as Padma Lakshmi, Andrew Zimmern, and Chef Sean Sherman, and written in publications including ELLE, Esquire, Architectural Digest, Teen Vogue, Bustle, Landscape, and more. Website: kateanelson.com

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TICKETING INFORMATION (<u>Tickets available on Eventbrite</u>)

Corporate VIP Tickets	VIP Tickets	General Admission Tickets
\$150 (+ tax and fees)	\$95 (+ tax and fees)	\$75.00 (+ tax and fees)
 Doors open at 5pm Early access to parking Reserved Front-row seating Free Swag-bag with lots of goodies from our generous sponsors 1 Free beverage from the bar Free hors d'oeuvres 	 Doors open at 5pm Early access to parking Choice seating other than reserved front-row seats Free Swag-bag with lots of goodies from our generous sponsors 1 Free beverage from the bar Free hors d'oeuvres 	 Doors open at 6pm (no early entry) Possibly standing room only