

Native American Heritage

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Native American Heritage year-round. It will be leading some hands-on educational programs at the Intertribal Pow Wow in Niceville.

The Indian Temple Mound Museum is an educational and cultural institution of long standing traditions. It's mission is to preserve, interpret and present the prehistory and history of the Fort Walton Beach community and Northwest Florida from 12,000 B.C. through the 1950's to students, citizens and visitors through exhibits, educational programs, publications and special events.

In 1962 the Indian Temple Mound Museum opened as the first municipally owned and operated museum in the State of Florida. The current museum building opened to the public in 1972 and is located on Highway 98 in the heart of historic downtown Fort Walton Beach, Florida.

The museum houses interpretative exhibits depicting 12,000 years of Native American occupation. Over 6,000 artifacts of stone, bone, clay and shell are here, as well as the finest collection of Fort Walton Period ceramics in the Southeastern United States. Exhibits also include artifacts from the European Explorers, local pirates, Civil War soldiers and early settlers.

Exhibits depict the four prehistoric cultural time periods whose artifacts have been recovered in the Northwest Florida region. The Paleo, Archaic, Woodland and Mississippian exhibits tell the story of these people and their life ways.

The prehistoric temple

mound, located on the museum grounds, represents one of the most outstanding artifacts left by the early inhabitants of this community. Built as a ceremonial and political center by the Mound Builder Culture between 800-1400AD, this mound is the largest on salt water and possibly the largest prehistoric earthwork on the Gulf Coast. The Fort Walton Temple Mound stands 17 feet tall and measures 223 feet across its base. An estimated 500,000 basket loads of earth were used to create this earthen structure. In 1964 the Temple Mound was designated a National Historic Landmark and is listed on the National Historic Register.

The temple, on top of the mound, was used as the residence of the leader, a temple for religious ceremonies, and a place to direct the activities of the village. It was and still is a sacred burial ground.

The museum is located at 107 Miracle Strip Parkway SW, Fort Walton Beach. Hours of operation are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call 850-833-9595.

Pensacola musician wins Native American Music Award in Oct.

Pensacola musician Dr. Michael Brant DeMaria is the winner of a Native American Music Award (NAMMY). He won in the Native Heart category for his soundtrack "Siyotanka: The Legend of the Flute."

DeMaria composed and

performed the music for Pensacola Little Theatre's 2008 production of the same name. The play, co-written by Dr. Stephen C. Lott, was inspired by a traditional Lakota legend about the creation of the wooden flute. The play won seven of PLT's Crystal Awards including best original score and performance by DeMaria.

"It was a dream come true to be at a Native American Music Awards ceremony as a NAMMY nominee." DeMaria said, "To actually win the NAMMY for Native Heart was a true joy."

On the soundtrack, DeMaria plays a wide variety of Native American flutes, drums, keyboards and many other instruments. Both the play and the music were inspired by the Lakota legend about the discovery of the



DeMaria performs "'Siyotanka: The Legend of the Flute.'" His music won a Native American Music award, and is now in contention to qualify for a Grammy nomination.

Native American wooden flute, called Siyotanka.

The Native American Music Awards were presented on Saturday, October 3, during a ceremony in Niagara Falls, New York. The awards recognize and pro-

mote music and artists embodying Native American ideals and instruments.

In other good news for DeMaria, the Siyotanka album is also on the short list of releases that qualify for a Grammy nomination.

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