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## Mitchell Museum of the American Indian Presents "Land of Enchantment: Pueblo Storytelling" Saturday, June 28

June 12, 2014—Join the Mitchell Museum of the American Indian on Saturday, June 28 at 2pm for "Land of Enchantment: Pueblo Storytelling," presented by Vincent Romero, *Laguna Pueblo*. Mr. Romero will explore New Mexico's geographic landmarks, and share stories about their significance and relation to Pueblo life-ways.

In New Mexico, tourists flock to sites like the Cochiti Valley, the Sandia Mountains, Mount Taylor and the Rio Grand River to revel in the beauty that has deemed New Mexico the "Land of Enchantment." Recently featured on WBEZ's "World View," Mr. Romero will go in-depth as he reveals the Pueblo perspective about these sites and why they are revered.

Learning about places from an indigenous point of view encompasses not only an explanation of how geography of places were shaped and why, but also the spirituality of indigenous culture that is remembered in these places through the stories.

"In the very, very beginning we all had spiritual powers given to us by our Creator Mother and we knew each of the wonderful spirits she sent to help us," said Mr. Romero. "These spirits are reflected in the geographical beauty of this land."

The program **is \$10** for members and \$12 for non-members. For more information, contact <u>visitor.services@mitchellmuseum.org</u> or call (847)475-1030.

The Mitchell Museum is one of only a handful of museums in the country that focuses exclusively on the art, history and culture of American Indian and First Nation peoples throughout the United States and Canada. In 2012, the Mitchell Museum was named "Best Museum of The North Shore: Up and Comer" by *Make it Better* magazine, won the Superior award by the Illinois Association of Museums and was named a national finalist by the American Association of State and Local History award program.

For more information about the Mitchell Museum of The American Indian, visit <a href="https://www.mitchellmuseum.org">www.mitchellmuseum.org</a> or call 847-475-1030. The museum is open Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sunday noon to 4 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for seniors, students and children and Free for Mitchell Museum members and Tribal members.

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