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Tickets on Sale Now for "The Patricia Michaels Native Haute Couture Fashion Show" Presented by Mitchell Museum of the American Indian and Jennifer N. Pritzker

August 25, 2015—On October 4, Patricia Michaels (Taos Pueblo), of *Project Runway* fame, will be premiering 20 new looks from her PM Waterlily collection at an exclusive fashion show at Chicago's Mayne Stage. The event, presented by the Mitchell Museum of the American Indian and Jennifer N. Pritzker, is being held in conjunction with the museum's "Native Haute Couture" exhibit that launched in January to much publicity. It will benefit the museum and its mission to promote and share a deeper understanding and respect of American Indian peoples.

The event begins at 1pm. Tickets include the fashion show, an intimate talk by Ms. Michaels along with time for Q&A, an opportunity to purchase pieces of Ms. Michaels' exclusive collection, and a reception with food and refreshments. A cash bar will be available.

Tickets and add-on packages can be purchased through the Mayne Stage website (www.maynestage.com/events)and on Ticketweb.com. Ticket prices range from \$75 for a mezzanine level ticket with prime runway view to \$100 for a VIP Ticket on the main floor with a premiere runway view. The VIP ticket includes one alcoholic beverage ticket plus a commemorative gift. To further enhance the experience, two add-on options are available.

The Complete Experience Package:

\$30- Learn more about "Native Haute Couture" and leave the driving to us. Arrive at the Mitchell Museum at 10:00am on Sunday, October 4. Get an in-depth small group tour of our "Native Haute Couture" exhibit led by curator Janelle Stanley. Enjoy the museum exhibits and light refreshments, and then relax and enjoy the ride down to the Mayne Stage via private coach bus. Coach leaves promptly at noon. Includes return trip. *Does not include fashion show ticket. Must purchase either VIP or regular ticket separately.

Ultimate Fashion Weekend Package:

\$1,000- The Complete Experience Package PLUS: Spend the evening with one of the hottest stars in fashion today. Price includes one ticket to an intimate dinner with Patricia Michaels and top donors on Saturday, October 3 in Lake Forest, Illinois PLUS one VIP ticket, one alcoholic beverage ticket and a commemorative gift.

"We are thrilled that Patricia Michaels, one of the biggest names in Native fashion today, is joining us for this incredible event," said Kathleen McDonald, Executive Director at Mitchell Museum of the American Indian. "With the popularity of American Indian designs, Native designers like Ms. Michaels are reclaiming ownership and authenticity of their traditional designs and heritage, and are taking their well- deserved spotlight on fashion runways."

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 www.mitchellmuseum.org 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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