

## EXHIBIT A



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The Mitchell Museum takes a no-nonsense look at ubiquitous, offensive and just plain incorrect portrayals of Native Americans. **"Deconstructing Stereotypes: Top Ten Truths"** uses dry text panels to clarify that native tribes are very diverse, there is indeed a large urban American Indian population, and mascots like the Cleveland Indians' Chief Wahoo offend as much as Little Black Sambo. The most interesting display discusses unfulfilled land and fishing rights, elaborated by a bevy of exquisite handmade fish decoys, baskets and hooks. In this display, we see the great cultures that these stereotypes risk sacrificing. See Museums.—Madeline Nusser

### Harold Washington Library Center

**FREE** 400 S State St (312-747-4300, [chipublib.org](http://chipublib.org)). El: Brown, Orange, Pink, Purple (rush hrs) to Library; Blue, Red to Jackson. Bus: 1, 2, 6, 7, 10, X28, 126. Metra: Elec Main to Van Buren St. Mon–Thu 9am–9pm; Fri–Sat 9am–5pm; Sun 1–5pm.  
\* Through Jul 27: **"In Service to the Union: Civil War Artifacts."** For 100 years, the Chicago Public Library has been storing a collection of objects from a Union veteran's organization. Now you can see the impressive array of artifacts—which include items owned by George Armstrong Custer, John Stagg and General Grant—online and in person, on the ninth floor.

### Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center

♦ 9603 Woods Dr, Skokie (847-967-4800, [hmf.org](http://hmf.org)). Mon–Wed 10am–5pm; Thu 10am–8pm; Fri 10am–5pm; Sat, Sun 11am–4pm. \$12, seniors and students \$8, kids ages 6–12 \$6, kids under 6 free. Through Sept 6: **"Spots of Light."** Women Holocaust survivors reveal their experiences on video. For this stop of the traveling exhibit, curator Arielle Weininger added local heirlooms and stories as well as objects from the permanent collection.

### Loyola University Museum of Art (LUMA)

♦ 820 N Michigan Ave (312-915-7805, [luc.edu/luma](http://luc.edu/luma)). El: Red to Chicago. Bus: 66,

143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 151. Tue 11am–8pm; Wed–Sun 11am–6pm. \$6; seniors, students, clergy and employees of other museums \$5; military members and Tuesdays free.

\* Through Jul 31: **"Stories in Cloth: The Threads of Daily Life."** This collector-curated exhibit, for better or worse, feels a bit like a well-traveled person's closet. Of the 100-plus textiles from around the world, highlights include a late-19th-century American quilt—at once trippy and quaint—and a fantastical Nigerian dance costume, adorned with an ornate hairstyle and tiny, childlike mask

### Mitchell Museum of the American Indian

♦ 3001 Central St, Evanston (847-475-1030, [mitchellmuseum.org](http://mitchellmuseum.org)). El: Purple to Central. Bus: 201. Tue, Wed 10am–5pm; Thu 10am–8pm; Fri, Sat 10am–5pm; Sun noon–4pm. \$5; kids, seniors, students \$2.50; family maximum \$10. Through Mar 2012: **"Deconstructing Stereotypes: Top Ten Truths."** The museum looks at Native American stereotypes, from mascots to treaty land agreements. See "Exhibit A," page 51.

### Museum of Science and Industry

5700 S Lake Shore Dr (773-684-1414, [msichicago.org](http://msichicago.org)). Bus: 6, 10, 55. Daily 9:30am–4pm. See website for extended hours. \$15, seniors \$14, kids ages 3–11 \$10, kids 2 and under free. Discounts for Chicago residents.