



2026 ITTAFAMA ITHANA CONFERENCE

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OKANA Resort and Indoor Waterpark

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THURSDAY, MAY 21

Optional Preconference Activities

- 12:30-2 p.m. First Americans Museum Tour
**Additional registration and costs required, limited availability.*
- 2:30-4:30 p.m. Basket Weaving Class • OKANA Conference Center • Loblolly Classroom
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OKANA Conference Center Sunrise Ballroom

- 5-7 p.m. Reception
Refreshments • Networking • Registration
- 5:15-5:30 p.m. Welcome – Mary Hartley, CHS Chair
Emcee – Randy Wade
Prayer – Rose Shields-Jefferson, CHS Board Member
- 5:30-6 p.m. **Artist Panel**
Moderated by Jessica Imotichey
Panelists – Cotie Poe-Underwood, Abby Gaines, Lauren John, Lokosh (Joshua D. Hinson, Ph.D.)

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FRIDAY, MAY 22

OKANA Conference Center

Sunrise Ballroom

8-9 a.m. Registration and Breakfast

WEBINAR BEGINS

- 9:15-9:35 a.m. Welcome – Mary Hartley, CHS Chair
Emcee – Randy Wade
Invocation – Allen Beck, CHS Board Member
Chickasaw Nation Honor Guard
- 9:45-10:30 a.m. “The Chickasaw Flute: The Untold Story” – Michael Cornelius
- 10:45-11:30 a.m. “With My Tongue Half Dead: Chickasaw Poetry” – Lokosh (Joshua D. Hinson, Ph.D.)
- 11:30 a.m.-noon **CHS Lifetime Service Award** – Wayne Edgar
• Larry Hawkins
- Noon-1 p.m. Lunch
Lord's Prayer, Chickasaw Princesses
- 1-1:15 p.m. Door Prizes
- 1:15-2 p.m. “Rabbit Trails and Returning Home” – Dustin Mater
- 2:15-3 p.m. “Weaving Culture Through Native Southeastern Basketry” – Sue Fish
- 3-3:15 p.m. Closing Remarks
Closing Prayer – Leon Brown, CHS Board Member
• Evaluations • Door Prizes
- #### WEBINAR ENDS
- 3:15-3:45 p.m. Networking

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