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UM CELEBRATES AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE DAY

MISSOULA –

The University of Montana will celebrate American Indian Heritage Day with a number of special events on campus Friday, Sept. 25. The public is invited to attend.

The day's events begin at 7 a.m. with a sunrise ceremony on Mount Sentinel. Meet at the base of the M Trail.

A gathering at noon on the Mansfield Mall will begin with a proclamation by University tribal liaison Linda Juneau, followed by UM students singing an honor song. The Mansfield Mall is located between the Mansfield Library, Main Hall and the University Center.

UM students will lead traditional Native games on the Oval beginning at 1 p.m. A round dance featuring the Little Grass Singers from Hellgate High School will be held at 2 p.m. on the Oval.

American Indian Heritage Day events at UM are organized by the Department of Native American Studies, American Indian Student Services and Hellgate High School, along with University students and alumni.

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