

SNOWSHOE MAKING SCHEDULE

-Friday Evening, November 22nd: Arrival and Welcome

- Check-In: Settle into your accommodations and get comfortable.
- Welcome Dinner: Enjoy a meal with fellow participants while learning about the weekend's schedule and the history of the Ojibwe snowshoe.

Saturday, November 23rd: Learning and Hands-On Crafting

Morning Session: History and Design

- Introduction to Ojibwe Snowshoes: Gain insight into the cultural significance and traditional uses of snowshoes among the Ojibwe.
- Historical Context: Learn about how snowshoes were used for hunting, travel, and trade in snowy regions.
- Design Elements: Explore the unique design features of Ojibwe snowshoes, including their materials, shapes, and construction techniques.

Afternoon Session: Construction Workshop

- Materials Overview: Review the materials provided, such as wood, rawhide, and bindings, and understand roles in the snowshoe's function and durability.
- Crafting Your Snowshoe: Begin the hands-on process of creating your own snowshoe. This may include:
 - Shaping and bending the wood for the frame.
 - Weaving the rawhide webbing to create the snowshoe's deck.
 - Attaching bindings for the foot.

Evening Session: Reflection and Discussion

- Group Dinner: Share a meal and discuss the day's experiences.
- Q&A: Engage in a Q&A session with the instructor to deepen your understanding and address any challenges faced during the crafting process.

Sunday, November 24th: Final Touches and Departure

Morning Session: Finishing Touches

- Final Assembly: Complete your snowshoe by adding any final touches, ensuring that everything is securely fastened and functional.
- Care Instructions: Learn how to maintain and care for your snowshoe to ensure its longevity and performance.

Afternoon Session: Farewell

- Showcase: Share and admire the snowshoes created by fellow participants.
- Closing Remarks: Reflect on the weekend's learning and experiences.
- Departure: Check out and head home with your new snowshoe and a deeper appreciation for Ojibwe craftsmanship and culture.

Additional Information:

- Snowshoe size is selected at registration.
- Materials Provided: Everything you need to make your snowshoe will be supplied. Snowshoes will require at home varnishing upon completion of the workshop.
- Meals & Linens: Available at registration, ensuring a comfortable and enjoyable stay.

This workshop is a wonderful blend of cultural education and hands-on craftsmanship, perfect for anyone interested in traditional techniques and Native American heritage.