



## “Na’ashjé’ii Biyiin: Chant of the Spider” A Holistic Journey into Diné Fiber Arts

Hatathli Museum, 4th Floor,  
Diné College, Tsaile Campus

Hours: Monday–Friday, June 20–24,  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (MDT)

Interpretive presentations and film screenings daily.

The exhibit, “Chant of the Spider”, explores the interconnected spiritual and technical processes of Diné weaving from the perspectives of contemporary Diné fiber artists.

Gilbert Begay, Roy Kady, and TahNibaa Naataanii share personal stories, traditions, and relationships with the natural environment that inspire their creative processes.

Visitors can touch, smell, taste, and participate in this reflective exercise through the interactive exhibit environment.

### Lecture and Reception

Friday, June 24, 4–7 p.m.

Chef Freddie Bitsoie

Contemporary Interpretations of Diné Cuisine

Teresa Montoya, Exhibit Curator, with  
Roy Kady and Freddie Bitsoie

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Sheep is Life is an annual celebration presented by Diné be' iiná, Inc. (DBI), a nonprofit organization founded in 1991 by Diné shepherds and weavers.

DBI’s mission is to restore the balance between Diné culture, life, and land. Its activities provide leadership, economic development, and support for maintaining Navajo lifeways, with a focus on sheep, wool, and fiber arts.

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### Location

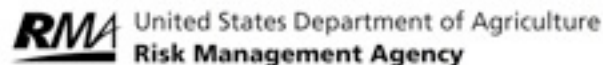
Sheep is Life is held in the Navajo Nation. Outdoor activities are at the Rodeo Grounds on the Diné College Tsaile Campus. Exhibit and Weaving Sale are in the 4th floor museum, Ned Hatathli Cultural Center. Enter the campus from Highway 64, 28 miles north of Chinle.

### Lodging

Free camping at the Rodeo Grounds; no hook-ups. Local B&B accommodations are available. The closest hotels are in Chinle, Window Rock and St. Michaels. See the web site for maps and travel information.

Request a Discover Navajo Visitor’s Guide at [www.discovernavajo.com](http://www.discovernavajo.com) or 928–810–8501.

All times are Mountain Daylight Time (MDT).



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## **Celebrate Navajo Lifeways & Fiber Arts**

The 15th Annual Sheep is Life Celebration honors the central role of sheep and fiber arts in cultures throughout the world. Everyone is invited to free events at the Sheep Camp and Rodeo Grounds on Friday and Saturday, June 24 and 25, at Diné College in Tsailé, AZ, Navajo Nation.

Programs for all ages include:

Sheep to Loom Hands-on Learning

Juried Navajo-Churro Sheep & Wool Shows

Outdoor Museum and Youth Activities

Horse, Dog, and Llama Trainings

Traditional Livestock Management Practices

Cultural, Educational, and Lifeway Presentations

Arts, Crafts and Food Vendors

Evening Storytelling and Games at the Sheep Camp

Juried Diné Weaving Sale and Exhibit, Hatathli Museum

Check schedules at  
[www.navajolifeway.org](http://www.navajolifeway.org)

## **Diné Fiber Arts and Lifeways Workshops**

**Monday – Friday, June 20–24, 2011**

### **Basic Navajo Weaving**

Ilene Naegle. \$430. M – F, 9–4.

### **Horse Cinch Weaving**

Roy Kady. \$210. M – Tu, 9–4.

### **Beginning Navajo Sash Belt**

Gilbert Begay. \$350. Tu – Th, 9–4.

### **Navajo Dyeing with Native Plants**

Edith & Evelyn Simonson. \$200. W – Th, 9–4

### **Butchering & Preparing Sheep the Navajo Way**

Ron Garnanez. \$250. W, 8–5.

### **Felting with Navajo-Churro Wool**

Instructor TBA. \$110. Th, 9–4.

### **Making Crème and Sun Screen**

Ron Garnanez. \$110. Th, 8–noon.

### **Preparing Wool the Navajo Way**

Ron Garnanez. \$110. Th, 1–5.

### **Navajo Basic Hand Spinning and Carding**

Edith Simonson. \$100. Th, 9–4.

### **Marketing and Business for Sheep Producers**

Cindy Dvergsten. \$50. W, 8:30–4:30.

### **Grazing to Grow Pasture**

Cindy Dvergsten. \$50. Th, 8:30–4:30.

Register on-line at [www.navajolifeway.org](http://www.navajolifeway.org) or print and mail the registration form.

Help continue Diné weaving traditions by making a tax-deductible donation to DBI's tuition waiver fund. Diné be' iiná, Inc. is a nonprofit 501c3 organization; donations are tax-deductible as provided for in the federal IRS Code.

The 15th Annual Sheep is Life Celebration is presented with support from the Land Grant Office, Diné College, USDA Risk Management Agency, Arizona Humanities Council, businesses, and private donors