

Basketweavers to gather in Tahoe City

Native basketweavers from California and Nevada will gather at the Gatekeeper's Museum in Tahoe City for the 9th annual Basketweavers' Gathering.

This event features Native American weavers and artisans demonstrating the tradition of basket weaving and other traditional arts. Baskets were once critical survival tools and sacred tools of worship found in virtually all North American native cultures. Today, the creation of these functional and/or ceremonial containers is a highly stylized art, kept alive by dedicated artists and passed along to successive generations from person to person.

The Gatekeeper's Museum sits on grounds where Washoe people spent their summers.

The Gatekeeper's Museum is also home to the Marion Steinbach Indian Basket Museum, a world-class collection of more than 800 utilitarian and fine baskets from more than 80 tribes throughout California and western North America, including the Washoe people. In addition, the museum features the Bogart Washoe Basket Collection of exclusively Washoe baskets.

The event is Sept. 22-23, 11am-4pm.

Cost is \$5 for North Lake Tahoe Historical Society members and \$10 for non-members. Children ages 12 and younger are free with an adult.

For more information, call (530) 583.1762.