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Media alert: Nebraska's Native American history to be showcased at powwow

What: Metropolitan Community College will host its 23rd annual Fort Omaha Intertribal Powwow.

When: Saturday, Sept. 13, 1– 7:30 p.m.

Where: Fort Omaha Campus, 30th and Fort streets.

Background: Celebrating Native American cultures, the powwow honors the traditional dance, music, artistry, oral history and foods of various tribes across Nebraska and the surrounding region, including, but not limited to, Northern Ponca, Omaha, Santee Sioux and Winnebago. Dancers in colorful regalia perform throughout the day, starting at 10 a.m. with the Gourd Dance, a tradition honoring military veterans.

The event is free and open to the public. Bring lawn chairs for seating. Food and craft vendors will be available. Coolers are welcome. No alcohol permitted. For more information, call 402-457-2253.

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second largest postsecondary institution in the state. MCC serves more than 40,000 students annually.