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Guidelines for Live Media Coverage Summer Solstice at Serpent Mound, June 18-21, 2022

PEEBLES, Ohio – The Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, the Shawnee Tribe and the Ohio History Connection will celebrate Summer Solstice at Serpent Mound from June 18-21.

Serpent Mound, 3850 state Route 73 in Peebles, is a National Historic Landmark built by the ancient American Indians of Ohio.

- It remains a sacred site that deserves reverence and respect, especially during the Summer Solstice activities that draw visitors from Ohio and beyond its borders.
- We ask visitors to appreciate and honor the Serpent Mound as they would any site of religious or spiritual significance.
- Please be respectful to the Shawnee citizens visiting the site and always <u>ask</u> <u>permission</u> to film, photograph or interview them.

<u>Please sign in</u> at the information table with your name, contact information, what kind of story you are seeking to write or film and your story deadline. After you sign in, you will be referred to one of our media contacts: Neil Thompson or Jerry Dannemiller of the Ohio History Connection or Princella Parker RedCorn of the Shawnee Tribe.

For more information, go to <u>ohiohistory.org/events/summer-solstice/</u>. For press kit materials, including photos and video, go to <u>ohiohistory.org/summer-solstice-2022</u>.

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About the Shawnee Tribe:

The Shawnee Tribe is a sovereign nation of more than 3,700 citizens living across North America and abroad. Tribal headquarters are located in Miami, Oklahoma. The Shawnee Tribe fought to maintain its independence and homelands despite periods of genocide through warfare and disease at the hands of French, Spanish, British and Americans. The Shawnee were regularly forced to relocate their settlements beyond the ever-expanding boundary of colonial-controlled lands. Thus, the Shawnee are often referred to as the "Greatest Travelers in America," having established historic settlements in more than 20 modern states, with the highest concentration in or near their ancestral homelands of the greater Ohio River region. For more information, go to shawnee-nsn.gov.

About the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma:

The Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma's modern constitution is a multibranch structure with positions elected by the citizens of the tribe. The tribe also offers many services to benefit and empower tribal citizens, including education, career, health and social services. For more information, go to estoo-nsn.gov.





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About the Ohio History Connection:

The Ohio History Connection, formerly the Ohio Historical Society, is a statewide history organization with the mission to spark discovery of Ohio's stories. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization chartered in 1885, the Ohio History Connection carries out history services for Ohio and its citizens focused on preserving and sharing the state's history. This includes housing the state historic preservation office, the official state archives, and local history office and managing more than 50 sites and museums across Ohio. For more information, go to ohiohistory.org. The Greater Columbus Arts Council provides support for Ohio History Connection programs.

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