

# Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> 2009

## MULTICULTURAL PERSPECTIVES FILM SERIES

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center of Greater Green Bay  
and the Helfenstein Soup Council

**4:00 pm** *"Peacemaking in Today's Society"*  
Part 1: "Until They Heal" Part 2: Make Peace"  
by Chickasaw Nation Multimedia

**4:30-5:30 pm** *"Live at Mt. Rushmore:  
Concert for Reconciliation of Cultures"*  
Brule (AIRO, American Indian Rock Opera Company)

**5:30- 6:15 pm**- Discussion follows on Peacemaking and Reconciliation

## SUSTAINING LIFE: ENVIRONMENTAL FILM SERIES

Sponsored by Northeastern Wisconsin Audubon Society, Inc.  
and the Helfenstein Soup Council

**6:30 - 7:45 pm** *"In the Light of Reverence"*

**7:45 pm** Discussion follows

### "Peacemaking"

As people we all have issues and challenges, and we must not be afraid to tackle these hardships ourselves. We must have the strength to confront the beast that lives inside of us. We cannot let ourselves be destroyed without a struggle. The system we have in place hasn't been successful, and proof of this system's failure is the overcrowding jails, and the increase in the crime rate. People need to heal, and people need to understand what life is truly about. Peacemaking is based on commonsense, and its roots are respect and honor. Peacemaking is trying to restore harmony and dignity to people so they can once again feel whole. These human values are not lost; we just need to look deep enough inside ourselves to find them. There is hope, are you ready to believe? Circles make peace!!!!

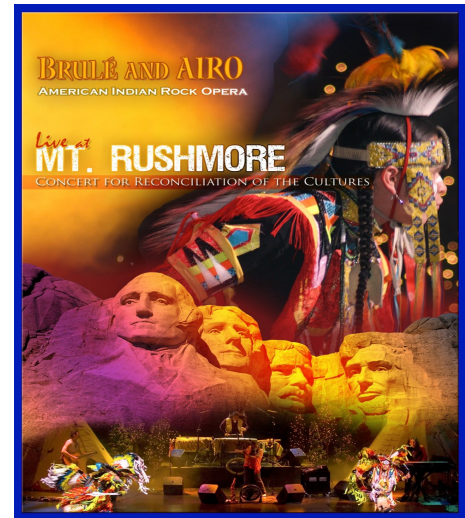
**"In the Light of Reverence"** For indigenous communities such as the Wintu, Hopi and Lakota, the earth is sacred, and their religious practices hinge on their responsibility to take care of the natural world by performing ceremonies that are linked to specific places. However, the mainstream society's value of religious freedom does not apply to this indigenous philosophy. Land-based religions were not in the minds of the founding fathers when they wrote the First Amendment, nor are they understood by the American public today. What is our society's responsibility to Americans who have been forced off their homelands, politically and economically dispossessed, and even massacred for their beliefs? These acts seem unthinkable now, but the denial of religious freedom to land-based religions is a continuation of our nation's old ways of dealing with the "Indian problem."

"For those who know nothing about the denial of Native American religious freedom, this film will change minds and open hearts. For those of us already involved in the struggle to save sacred land, this film will energize and inspire." Walter Echo-Hawk, Native American Rights Fund

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