The Simon Ortiz and Labriola Center Lecture on Indigenous Land, Culture, and Community

GERALD TAIAIAKE ALFRED

“Resurgence of Traditional Ways of Being: Indigenous Paths of Action and Freedom”

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Gerald Taiaiake Alfred: "Resurgence as the principle of courageous action against injustice. . . . The conciliatory, victimized and raging pathways that form our present framework are easy for the settler to co-opt, manipulate or defeat—this is why they have huge public and government support as the framework for resolving the colonial problem and have become the paradigm of post-colonial colonialism."

Professor of Indigenous Governance at the University of Victoria (Canada), Gerald Taiaiake Alfred is known for his leadership and groundbreaking research in the fields of Indigenous governance, philosophy and history, and also for his incisive social and political criticism. He has been awarded a Canada Research Chair, a National Aboriginal Achievement Award in the field of education, and the Native American Journalists Association award for best column writing.

Educated at Concordia and Cornell, Taiaiake lectures at universities and colleges in Canada, the United States, England and Australia, and serves as an advisor on land and governance issues for his own and many other Indigenous governments and organizations. His writing includes numerous scholarly articles and contributed essays in newspapers and journals, as well as three books: the influential and best-selling Peace, Power, Righteousness (2008), now in its second edition; Wasáse (2005), a runner-up for the McNally Robinson Aboriginal Book of the Year in 2005; and, Heeding the Voices of Our Ancestors (1995).

Free of charge and open to the public.

The Simon Ortiz and Labriola Center Lecture on Indigenous Land, Culture, and Community at Arizona State University brings notable scholars and speakers to Arizona for public lectures twice a year. These speakers address topics and issues across disciplines in the arts, humanities, sciences, and politics. Underwriting Indigenous American experiences and perspectives, this series seeks to create and celebrate knowledge that evolves from an Indigenous worldview that is inclusive and that is applicable to all walks of life.