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Human Understanding, Inc.**

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Suffolk Community College Eastern Campus Exhibit Showcases Long Island* Native American Art

Jewelry, beadwork, regalia, painting, sculpture and photography from artists in the Unchechaug, Shinnecock, Montaukett and Taino* tribal nations as well as performances of traditional and ceremonial song and blessing are all part of an educational exhibit by The Suffolk Center on the Holocaust, Diversity & Human Understanding, Inc. in partnership with the Unkechaug Nation Community Development Corporation at Suffolk County Community College's Eastern Campus.

The program and exhibit was developed to educate Long Islanders about local Native American culture and history, said Steven Schrier, Executive Director of the Suffolk Center on the Holocaust, Diversity and Human Understanding.

Speakers will include Dr. John Strong, an author and retired Southampton College professor, and Denise Sheppard, an author who will speak about her Montaukett tribe.

Event Date: March 11, 2014
Exhibit: Through March 22, 2014
Location: Montaukett Learning Resource Center, Suffolk County Community College, Eastern Campus
Time: **Reception and performance** 5 pm – 6 pm
Program 6 pm – 7:30 pm
Speakers: Dr. John Strong, author and professor *emeritus*
Denise Sheppard, author
Performances: Roberto Borrero, Gnew Benton and Cordel Wright
Exhibit: Jewelry, beadwork, regalia, painting, sculpture and photography

*The Taino tribe is not native to Long Island; the exhibiting artist is a Long Islander.

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