A California Indian Basket Weavers Association (CIBA) Educational Program  
In Collaboration with K.R. Martindale Show Management and California Academy of Sciences

Yesterday and Today: The Symposium
*Reconnecting the Artist with the Art*
9AM – 2:30PM Saturday February 21 & Sunday February 22, 2015
Art of the Americas Show
Embassy Suites Hotel, 101 McInnis Parkway, San Rafael, CA 94903
$75-$120 tax-deductible contribution

Yesterday and Today: The Symposium - *Reconnecting the Artist with the Art* offers insights into one of California’s oldest art traditions, basket weaving. The two day symposium explores the challenges of identifying early California Indian basket weavers whose names were not recorded at the time their art was collected by museums and others. This educational program includes presentations by contemporary California Indian basket weavers, a study tour of “Yesterday and Today: The Exhibit” and of Marin Show basketry vendor booths., and more. The event takes place 9AM – 2:30PM, Saturday February 21 and Sunday February 22, 2015 at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 101 McInnis Parkway, San Rafael, CA.

Key Presenters include CIBA Board Chairman and Master Weaver Clint McKay Dry Creek Pomo/Wappo/Wintun and Jan Timbrook, Ph D, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, who will explore how to recognize the characteristics of a fine California Indian basket; its possible origin, its materials and the techniques used by many scholars, museums, weavers, and collectors to reconnect the artist with the art. Other Presenters include Benjamin Benson, Sonoma State University and Bryn Potter, Of the Riverside Metropolitan Museum and the Buffalo Bill Center of the West.

Yesterday and Today: The Symposium topics range from how to buy a basket to art in the lives of California Indians, and more. Highlights include an opportunity to take a “study tour” at the Art of the Americas Show to hone new skills concerning California Indian basketry identification and evaluation and to visit “Yesterday and Today: The Exhibit” to engage with California Indian basket weavers as they work.

The non-profit California Indian Basketweavers’ Association (CIBA) established in 1992 has approximately 1,000 members statewide and provides opportunities for weavers to convene, learn, exchange information and showcase their work. CIBA also offers non-members educational opportunities throughout the year, such as “Tending the Wild – The Workshop” which focuses on California Indian environmental stewardship methods and “What comes before the basket.”

Symposium cost is $75 for one day, $120 for both, and includes lunch with the Presenters. CIBA Members: One Day $60 - Both Days $100. Symposium tickets are a Tax Deductible contribution to CIBA.

Registration details: 530-668-1332 or [http://ciba.org](http://ciba.org)