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## **Open Session to Solicit Comments**

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### **Working Group on Native American Human Remains to Hold Open Session to Solicit Comments on Proposed Statements of Principle**

BALTIMORE -- The Working Group on Native American Human Remains will hold an open session in Columbia, MD, to solicit comments on proposed statements of principle regarding the disposition of those remains currently in the care of the State.

**WHAT:** Working Group on Native American Human Remains  
Open Session to Solicit Comments on Proposed Statements of Principles

**WHEN:** Saturday, October 24, 2009  
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., sign-in begins at 9:30 a.m.

**WHERE:** Howard County Community College  
Nursing Lecture Hall (Room N 220)  
10901 Little Patuxent Parkway  
Columbia, Maryland 21044  
([http://www.howardcc.edu/about\\_hcc/getting\\_around/index.html](http://www.howardcc.edu/about_hcc/getting_around/index.html))

Those who are interested in the disposition of certain Native American human remains currently in the care of the State, including Maryland Indian groups and groups representing the archeological community in Maryland, are encouraged to attend.

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On October 24, 2009 the Working Group on Native American Human Remains will hold an open session in Columbia, MD, to solicit comments on proposed statements of principle regarding the disposition of those remains currently in the care of the State. The proposed statements of principle are the result of nearly a year's work by the Working Group, and represent a general proposal agreed to by all members of the Group. The proposed statements of principle can be accessed on the Maryland Historical Trust's website at [www.mht.maryland.gov](http://www.mht.maryland.gov) (click on Archeology, then on Archeological Collections, then, under Appropriate Place of Repose Resources, select the Proposed Statements of Principle). Copies are also available by mail to those who contact Charles Hall (State Terrestrial Archeologist, Maryland Historical Trust, 100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD 21032, or by email at [chall@mdp.state.md.us](mailto:chall@mdp.state.md.us), or by phone at 410.514.7665) or Keith Colston (Executive Director, Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs, 301 W. Preston St., Suite 1500, Baltimore, MD 21201, or by email at [kcolston@goci.state.md.us](mailto:kcolston@goci.state.md.us), or by phone at 410.767.7631).

The Working Group is comprised of ten individuals, five designated by the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs, and five designated by the Maryland Historical Trust. The Working Group was established by the Secretary of Planning to consider options for an Appropriate Place of Repose for certain Native American Human Remains currently in the care of the Maryland Historical Trust. Documents related to the Working Group are available on the website of the Maryland Historical Trust at [www.mht.maryland.gov](http://www.mht.maryland.gov) (click on Archeology, then on Archeological Collections for all related documents).

The public is invited to comment on these statements, or on any aspect of the Working Group's task. Public input is considered an integral part of this process. Input is being solicited through two open sessions, the first held on October 3 in Cambridge, MD., and through the acceptance of written comments through November 3, 2009. Written comments can be sent to either Charles Hall or Keith Colston (see above for contact information).

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