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WBIH SPEAKER SERIES 2021

Mohawk Elder & Author, Tom Porter

April 6, 2021

3 pm to 5 pm EST via Zoom (link provided upon Eventbrite registration)

Registration: [HERE](#)

The Way Of The Human Being

Thomas R. Porter (Sakokwenionkwas-“The One Who Wins”) has been the founder, spokesperson and spiritual leader of the Mohawk Community of Kanatsiohareke (Ga na jo ha lay gay) located in the Mohawk Valley near Fonda, New York since 1993. He is a member of the Bear Clan of the Mohawk Nation at Akwesasne. (Akwesasne, also known as the St. Regis Mohawk Reservation, straddles the New York State/Canadian border near Massena, New York.) He is married to Alice Joe Porter who is Choctaw, and has six children.



Since the beginning of time, there are instructions of how we are supposed to live. This is why we have ceremonies and renew them each year. Every New Year, there are dances to renew the fire. This is our contract with the Creator. When we stop, all life ceases to exist. – Tom Porter