Old Pueblo Archaeology Center presents

Mescal Agave
Use in Arizona:
Food, Fiber,
and Vessel

Free presentation by
Hualapai Tribe
Ethnobotanist
Carrie Cannon
for
Old Pueblo Archaeology Center’s
“Third Thursday Food for Thought”
Dinner Series

Thursday
January 16, 2020
6 to 8:30 p.m.*
at El Molinito
Mexican Restaurant
10180 N. Oracle Rd.
Oro Valley, Arizona

* Order your own dinner off of the restaurant’s menu at your expense starting at 6 p.m. The presentation will start around 7.

The agave plant, also known as mescal (not the same as mescaline or peyote), was used by Native peoples for numerous utilitarian items. Mescal served as a valuable food source still being harvested and prepared to this day by many Indigenous groups. For millennia people have pit-roasted the heart of the plant, yielding a nutritious food staple rich in calcium and zinc. Ms. Cannon’s presentation includes the life history of mescal and the multitude of Tribal uses of this intriguing plant and their long relationship with it from centuries ago to the modern era.

Donations will be requested to benefit Old Pueblo Archaeology Center’s educational efforts.

Reservations are required and must be confirmed by Old Pueblo by 5 p.m. Wednesday January 15: 520-798-1201 or info@oldpueblo.org

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Guest Presenter Carrie Cannon, a member of the Kiowa tribe of Oklahoma and also of Oglala Lakota descent, has a B.S. in Wildlife Biology and an M.S. in Resource Management. She began working for the Hualapai Tribe of Peach Springs, Arizona, in 2005 where she began the creation of an intergenerational ethnobotany program for the Hualapai Community. She is currently employed as an Ethnobotanist for the Hualapai Department of Cultural Resources. Carrie administers a number of projects promoting the intergenerational teaching of Hualapai ethnobotanical knowledge working towards preservation and revitalization to ensure tribal ethnobotanical knowledge persists as a living practice and tradition.

Photo above of guest presenter Carrie Cannon courtesy of Arizona Humanities.

Photo at right by Mary Bernard-Shaw shows agaves growing in an ancient rock-pile field in Arizona’s San Pedro River valley.

Agave photos on page 1 and below by Allen Dart.

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Map at left shows location of El Molinito Mexican Restaurant
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