Mission Statement

Our mission is to promote Vermont's Indigenous arts and artists, to provide an organized central place to share creative ideas and professional development as entrepreneurs, and to have a method for the public to find and engage our artists.

Many of our artists are experienced lecturers, presenters, demonstrators, speakers and/or group leaders. We participate in many different events including (but not limited to):

- Workshops
- Festivals
- Classrooms
- Living History
- Museum Presentations
- Lectures
- Panel Discussions
- Cultural Events
- And much, much more.

Consider enriching your next event or class with a visit from one or more of our many and diverse artists. Please visit [www.abenakiart.org](http://www.abenakiart.org) for more details.

Vermont Abenaki Artists Association

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Welcome to the Vermont Abenaki Artists Association

We are proud that our Abenaki Bands have become certified in fine, decorative and performing arts, with diverse skills in wood, bone, stone, clothing, weaving, metal smithing, quillwork, gourds, painting and sculpture as well as song, dance and story telling. Contemporary artists include painters, stained glass, photographers and filmmakers. We also have art historians and consultants who can place these wonderful artistic items in the larger cultural context.

All of the artists and performers in our association are citizens of State Recognized Abenaki Bands and are able to sell works as “Abenaki” or “Indian:” made in compliance with the Indian Arts and Crafts Act. In addition, all have proven track records of their excellence in their particular specialty. We have shown, sold or presented in galleries, museums, educational institutions, tribal events and other appropriate venues.

The Vermont Abenaki Artists Association is endorsed by the State Recognized Band: Koasek, Missisquoi, Nulhegan and Elnu Abenaki Bands of the Vermont Indigenous Alliance and the Vermont Commission on Native American Affairs.

Current Available Workshops and Services:

Please visit our website for details: www.abenakiart.org/art directory

- Fire Making with Flint & Steel
- Gourd Decorating
- Moccasin Making
- Ash Basket Making
- Introduction to Porcupine Quillwork
- Introduction to Twined Bag Making
- 2 Row Wampum Bracelet Making
- Abenaki Woman: Basket Making & Cultural Survival
- Native Roots: Searching Genealogy
- Meaningful Media
- New England Indigenous Textiles
- Drum & Dance Presentations
- Roles of Native Woman Past & Present
- Gourds: Seeds of Inspiration – PowerPoint Presentation
- Moccasin Tracks: Native Genealogy of New England

Classroom Visits:
When presenting to a classroom or groups, we are happy to tailor our program to meet the needs of the Audience. Presenters will provide samples of our work or reproductions of historical artifacts to share with the audience so participants may get close up to the items and handle them. As a group we encourage audience participation when and where possible. Most of our presenters have worked in educational settings previously, making them ideal resources for all age groups including teacher training or administrator and staff sensitivity training.

Let us help enrich your curriculum with professional programs implemented by professional Native American presenters.

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