

6th Annual Navajo Nation Economic Summit 2023

"Empowering the Future for Dine' People"

Twin Arrows Navajo Casino Resort

June 20 – 22, 2023

Agenda

DAY ONE: Tuesday, June 20, 2023

- 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM **Early Registration (Foyer Lobby Area)
Exhibitor & Artisans Booth Setup**
- 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM **Golf Tournament at Elephant Rock Golf Course Williams**
Location: 2200 W. Country Club Drive, Williams, AZ 86046
- 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM **7G Business Plan Competition (Twin Arrows Board Room)**
- 11:50 AM – 1:00 PM Box Luncheon (Dine' Event Center Entrance)
- 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM **BLOCK 1: 8 Breakout Sessions (Available Soon)**
- 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM **Welcome Network Reception – An Evening of network, dinner, and
entertainment; 7G Business Plan Awards and Entertainment (Twin Arrows
Patio)**

Mistress of Ceremony: Betty Ojaye

Welcome from Twin Arrows: Brian Parrish, CEO, Navajo Nation Gaming
Enterprise

Welcome from Navajo Nation: Honorable Madam Speaker Crystalyne Curley,
25th Navajo Nation Council (invited)

7G Business Plan Awards: Kathleen Frank, Northern Arizona University

Entertainment: Summit Dubb Squad – "Positive Roots Reggae"
(Twin Arrows Patio)

DAY TWO: Wednesday, June 21, 2023

6:00 AM – 8:00 AM	Fun Run (Outside Twin Arrows entrance)
6:00 AM – 7:15 AM	Yoga and Meditation (Outside Twin Arrows Patio)
6:00 AM – 8:00 PM	Exhibitor & Artisan Booth Setup
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Summit Registration (Foyer Lobby Area)
7:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Summit Network Breakfast (Diné Events Center Entrance) Sponsored by To’Nanees’Dizi Local Government
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Business Matchmaking (Twin Arrows A,B) Sponsored by The National Center APEX Accelerator
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Opening General Session – Join us as we kick-off the 6th Annual Navajo Nation Economic Summit Mistress of Ceremony: Betty Ojaye Posting of the Colors Ceremony Navajo Veterans Color Guard Invocation: Tyrone Chee, Support Service, Division of Economic Development Introduction: Elaine Young, Department Manager, Small Business Development Department, Division of Economic Development, Navajo Nation <i>Welcome from Presenting Sponsor:</i> Austin Tsosie, CEO, Dine’ Development Corporation <i>Welcome Keynote Address: Navajo Nation President, Honorable Dr. Buu Nygren</i> <i>Keynote Speaker: Shawn Martinez, Senior Director of Live Presentation, Phoenix Suns (invited)</i>
10:30 AM – 11:20 AM	International Export Panel Moderator: DDC Panel Speakers: Dine’ Development Corporation Navajo Agricultural Products Industry
11:20 PM – 11:30 PM	Break

11:30 PM – 1:00 PM

Business Awards Luncheon (Dine A-I)

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Opening Remarks: Tony Skrelunas, Division Director, Division of Economic Development, “Laying out the Vision of our Economy”

Award Category: Most Distinguished Business
Small Business
Professional Services
Local Business

Luncheon Speaker: Steve A Darden, Entrepreneur and Medicine Man, “Navajo Success Teachings”

1:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Break

1:30 PM – 5:00 PM

BLOCK 2: 11 Breakout Sessions (Available Soon)

6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Evening Network and Entertainment (Twin Arrows Patio – Finger Food, MC, Entertainment)

Mistress of Ceremony: Betty Ojaye

Evening Entertainment: Mike Sixkiller, DJ 6-Killer

Welcome from Navajo Nation: Valentina Clitso, Miss Navajo Nation 2022-2023

Entertainment: “Troubadour Experience” – George Strait Tribute Band

DAY THREE: Thursday, June 22, 2023

6:00 AM – 7:00 AM	Yoga and Meditation (Outside Twin Arrows Patio)
8:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Summit Registration (Foyer Lobby Area)
7:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Summit Network Breakfast (Dine' Events Center Entrance) Sponsored by Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation
8:00 AM – 11:30 AM	BLOCK 3: 15 Breakout Sessions (Available Soon)
11:30 PM – 12:00 PM	Break
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	<i>Business Awards Luncheon (Dine A-I)</i> Mistress of Ceremony: Betty Ojaye Award Category: Tourism Tourism Commercial Construction Luncheon Speaker: Gary Sumihiro, CEO, Sumihiro Investment Council
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Break
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	BLOCK 4: 5 Breakout Sessions (Available Soon)
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	Closing Ceremony (Diné B, E, H) Refreshments: Ice Cream Social (Dine Event Center Entrance) Mistress of Ceremony: Betty Ojaye Closing Remarks: Emerson Horace III, Deputy Director, Division of Economic Development Door Prize Drawing: Alisha Murphy, Economist, Division of Economic Development Retire the Flags: Navajo Veterans Color Guard Benediction: Honorable Otto Tso, Council Delegate, 25 th Navajo Nation Council