In this documentary, Rosemary McCombs Maxey, a member of the Creek Nation, explores the continued use of the Creek language, which is spoken by tribal people in Oklahoma and Florida. The documentary, directed by Craig Womack and Steve Bransford, chronicles the life of Creek community leader, feminist, and activist Rosemary McCombs Maxey. The documentary also includes a reflective essay by Womack on the challenges and opportunities facing Creek language speakers.

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Indigenous Intersections

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 | 6:00 pm
Join our panel of scholar activists in a conversation on indigeneity as a global and domestic category. Panelists will share their personal and research-based work with the Emory Community, and engage with issues of ethnicity, race, and social justice for indigenous populations both within and beyond the US.

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Emory Libraries Celebrate National American Indian Heritage Month

November is National American Indian Heritage Month, also commonly called American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month. The first American Indian Day was celebrated by the state governments of Oklahoma after the turn of the 20th century. It was not until 1990 that the federal government proclaimed the month of November as a time to recognize the many significant contributions Native Americans made in the establishment and growth of the US.

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Native American Heritage Month has evolved from its beginnings as a week-long celebration in 1986, when President Reagan proclaimed the week of November 23-30, 1986 as “American Indian Week.” Every President since 1995 has issued annual proclamations designating the month of November as the time to celebrate the culture, accomplishments, and contributions of Native American and Alaska Native people who were the first inhabitants of the United States. Through dance, family traditions, and music, stories about the American Indian and Alaska Native heritage are celebrated across the United States. Celebrate the history, culture, and traditions of Native American and Alaska Native people with a special collection of films, short stories, and resources from the Library of Congress.

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