



Tunica-Biloxi Pow Wow Committee

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Dear Tunica-Biloxi Tribal Citizens & Families:

The Tunica-Biloxi Pow Wow Committee is preparing for our 25th Annual Tunica-Biloxi Pow Wow celebration to be held May 20-21, 2023 at the Chief Joseph "Alcide" Pierite Pow Wow Grounds on the reservation. The following outlines ways in which you can participate.

The Committee is accepting submissions for the **2023 pow wow t-shirt design contest**. Design submissions must be mailed (delivered) by hard copy to Elisabeth Pierite at 150 Melacon Road, Marksville, LA, 71351 or by jpeg file to emora@tunica.org. The deadline for submissions is 5PM, March 6, 2023. All designs must contain the inscription 25th Annual Tunica-Biloxi Pow Wow. Entries will be judged by the Pow Wow Committee and one design will be selected for the t-shirt. The winner of the contest will receive a free shirt, a \$25 gift card and acknowledgment in the Pow Wow program.

The Committee is also accepting requests from Tunica-Biloxi Tribal members for a free space on **one** of a limited number of tables under one of the pavilions on the pow wow grounds. Tribal craft vendors will be assigned a table with chairs at no charge. This is offered on a first-come basis due to limited space. Contact Leslie Bonnette at lbonnette@tunica.org (318) 240-6403 to reserve a table.

Tribal members needing a larger booth space (more than one table) must purchase a regular craft booth space for \$200. Committee policy requires that any crafts sold must be Native American made or Native American related, not manufactured, and must reflect positively on our tribal community. The Committee reserves the right to request that items be removed if deemed inappropriate. **There are no food vendor spots available at this time.** Space is limited, so please reserve your space today.

And finally, the Committee is requesting volunteers to work 2 or 4 hour shifts at the contest registration, operations (vendor assistant/set-up/clean-up), t-shirt sales, drink booth, or admission gate. Volunteers receive a Pow Wow T-shirt for a minimum of 2 hours work or a Pow Wow T-shirt and a meal voucher for a minimum of 4 hours work. If you can volunteer, please contact Leslie Bonnette at lbonnette@tunica.org (318) 240-6403. Tribal youth must be at least age 16 to volunteer. Younger volunteers must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Sincerely,

John D. Barbry
Chairman
Tunica-Biloxi Pow Wow Committee