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Virginia Indian Festival Returns to Riverbend Park

Arrows will fly, drums will beat, and dancers will stomp and twirl at Riverbend Park's annual Virginia Indian Festival on Saturday, September 6, 2014. Members of eight tribes will gather on the banks of the Potomac River from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to share and celebrate their culture. Admission to the event is \$5 per person.

Park visitors will enjoy hands-on activities and live demonstrations including storytelling, shooting bow and arrows, throwing spears, and making stone stools, and the popular Rappahannock dancers and drummers will perform traditional dances while dressed in colorful native costumes. Visitors may also explore a longhouse and help build a dugout canoe. Crafts, pottery, and jewelry will be available for purchase in the marketplace.

"We will have a small fishing and hunting village set up so visitors can experience what daily life was like for Virginia Indians who lived at Riverbend 600 years ago," said Park Manager Marty Smith.

Riverbend Park is located at 8700 Potomac Hills Street in Great Falls, Va. For information, call the park at 703-759-9018 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/riverbend-park.

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