



**THE WHITING**  
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### **The Kevin Locke Native Dance Ensemble Kicks Off The Whiting's *Rhythms of the World Series***

**Flint, MI** – The Whiting is proud to The Kevin Locke Native Dance Ensemble on **Friday, November 6 at 8pm!** All seats are \$30 and are available online at [TheWhiting.com](http://TheWhiting.com), by phoning (810) 237-7333 and by walk up at The Ticket Center located within The Whiting. The Whiting is located at 1241 E. Kearsley St. just off I-475 between the University of Michigan Flint and Mott Community College on the beautiful Flint Cultural Center campus.

You have to see the magnificence of the **Kevin Locke Native Dance Ensemble** live to really appreciate why this ensemble is so exceptional. With Kevin Locke's longstanding mastery of traditional Lakota music and dance and the added vitality of dances and songs from the varied traditions of the ensemble performers, there is no other show like it.

Representing the Plains nations of Lakota, Anishinabe and Comanche, the Southeastern tribe Choctaw and the Woodlands Nations of Ojibwe and Oneida, this one-of-a-kind ensemble of American Indian champions and award winners offers a rich variety of American Indian traditions and aesthetics in dance, instrumentals, song, storytelling, sign language and audience interaction. Also available are regionally specific programs with local artists working with the Ensemble to offer a wider variety of tribal representation.

The Kevin Locke Native Dance Ensemble has been performing for the past five years. Recent appearances at the opening of the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian, a follow-up performance at NMAI in New York City, the World Culture Open at the Lincoln Center (sponsored in part by the United Nations), and a residency at the University of Arizona have all been met with high acclaim.

This event is proudly supported by McLaren Regional Medical Center, Health Alliance Plan, abc12, Target, Ruth Mott Foundation, Community Foundation of Greater Flint, Arts Midwest, National Endowment for the Arts, New England Foundation for the Arts and Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.

The Whiting is a member organization of the Flint Cultural Center Corporation and is dedicated to bringing the performing arts to the community. The Whiting is a nonprofit organization and an Equal Opportunity Employer providing programs and services without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex or handicap.

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**\*\*Reviewer Tickets AVAILABLE. High Resolution Images available upon request.**

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