THE NATIVE AMERICAN GRAVES PROTECTION AND REPATRIATION ACT REVISITED: NEGOTIATING CULTURE, LEGALITIES, AND CHALLENGES

KEYNOTE BY 2–3:15 P.M.
SUZAN SHOWN HARJO
“LIVING WITHIN THE LAW / KEEPING FAITH WITH THE ANCESTORS: 23 YEARS MAKING NAGPRA AND 26 YEARS ABIDING BY REPATRIATION LAW”

Suzan Shown Harjo (Cheyenne & Muscogee), a writer, curator and policy advocate, has helped Native Peoples protect sacred places and recover more than one million acres of land. She has developed key laws in five decades to promote and protect Native nations, sovereignty, children, arts, cultures, lands, languages, religious freedom, repatriation, sacred places and water. The Morning Star Institute President and an award-winning Indian Country Today Media Network Columnist, she is Guest Curator and Editor of the National Museum of the American Indian’s exhibit (2014-2018) and book Smithsonian/NMAI Press 2014), both titled, Nation to Nation: Treaties Between the United States and American Indian Nations. President Obama presented her with a Presidential Medal of Freedom, the United States’ highest civilian honor (2014).

PANEL EVENT 3:30–5 P.M.
Moderated by J. KEHAULANI KAUANUI,
Professor of American Studies and Anthropology, Wesleyan University

JESSIE COHEN
NAGPRA Coordinator and Archaeology Collections Manager, Wesleyan University

BARKER FARISS
Repatriation Coordinator and Lecturer in the Department of Anthropology, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

ELAINE THOMAS
Deputy Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, The Mohegan Tribe

MARISSA TURNBULL
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation

With welcome remarks by JOYCE JACOBS ENS
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Wesleyan University

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