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Walking In Three Worlds: *Understanding and Supporting Our Indigenous-African American Relatives*



▶ BEFORE WE GET STARTED...

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▶ OPENING IN A GOOD WAY

Isabella Fridia

**Wichita, Kiowa, Caddo,
Hunka Oglala Lakota
TYRC Young Leader**





PRESENTERS



Tasha R. Mousseau JD
Pejuta Cangleska Win-Sacred
Medicine Circle Woman

Wichita, Kiowa, Caddo, Hunka
Oglala Lakota

TYRC Consultant



Glenn Beaver

Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma
Tribal Youth Program Lead



▶ PRESENTERS



Isaiah Weasel Bear
**Wase Ahil Naji -Stands on
War Paint**

Oglala & Sicangu Lakota
Professional Mentor
Friends of the Children-He Sapa



Kennedy Fridia
**Upan Wayang Hipi Win-Came to see
Female Elk Woman**

Wichita, Kiowa, Caddo, Hunka Oglala Lakota
Senior
Red Cloud Indian School



POLL QUESTION

I have a relative in my immediate family who is biracial African American and Indigenous.

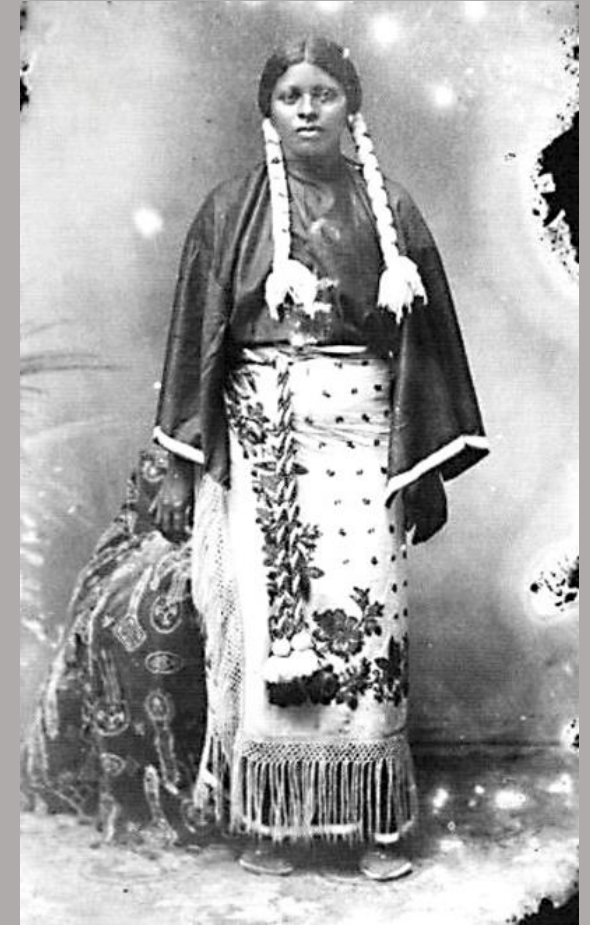
Yes

No

▶ HISTORICAL CONTEXT



- Shared Trauma
- Slave Holding Tribes
- Freedmen
- Shared Resilience
- Kinship
- Intermarriage
- Adoption
- Acceptance



What is in a name?

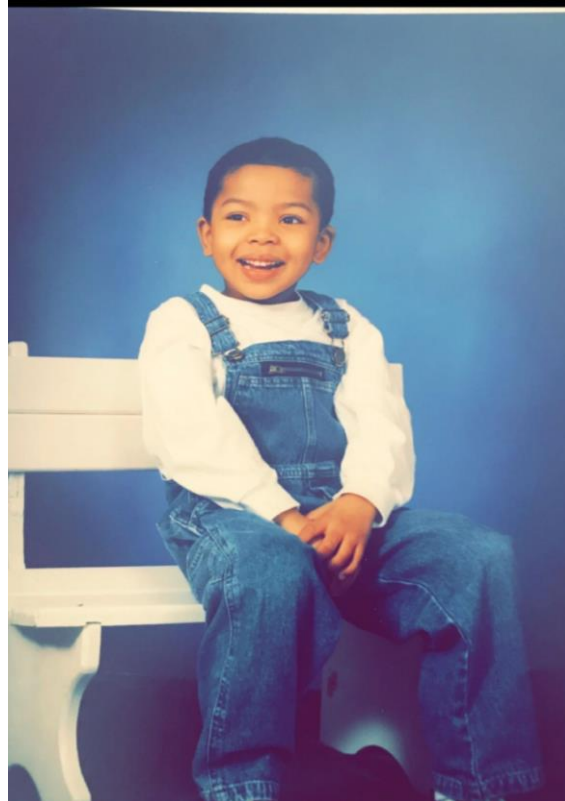
- ❖ Mixed
- ❖ Biracial
- ❖ Blendian
- ❖ Black-Indian
- ❖ Afro-Indigenous
- ❖ Tribal Specific Terms
 - ie) Kongione, HaSapa, Thu-Thivo



▶ OUR STORIES: GLENN



OUR STORIES: ISAIAH



▶ OUR STORIES: KENNEDY



OUR STORIES: TASHA



Panel Discussion

- During the era you were born or grew up, what was/is the perception of being biracial?
- What is/was the greatest challenge walking in three worlds?
- What is the greatest strength of being Biracial?
- Who was your greatest protector or advocate?
- How can Tribal Youth Program or Juvenile Healing to Wellness court staff support youth who share your identity?
- What would you share with tribal members to help them understand your lived experience better?
- What advice would you give your younger self about navigating the life experience of a biracial youth in tribal communities?

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PARTICIPANT QUESTIONS:

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American Youth Resource Sheet is
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**THANK YOU!
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PILAMAYAYE!
TSU-THEETS!**

