Solstice 2023



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The Winter Solstice on December 21 has been a significant time of year in many cultures, often celebrated with festivals and rituals. It marked the symbolic death and rebirth of the Sun; the transition from shorter darker days to increasing hours of daylight.

Solstice is often considered to be a time of new beginnings. With the changing of the seasons, we emerge from a period of self-reflection and welcome the fiery energy of the sun to propel us forward into peaceful action.

The 14th Annual New Year's Day Peace Hike is an event which View the Future proudly assists. This event commemorates the Amanda story and the horrors inflicted against Tribal Peoples in the homeland of the Yaxaik villages of the Alsean People. It also serves as a call to action. Because it is through the Tribes' and community endeavors with the Amanda and Ya'Xaik Trails, many people have become aware of the need to acknowledge the wrongs of the past and to be more conscious of the need to actively treat people of all cultures throughout the world with honor, dignity and respect.

The Peace Hike, occurring so close to Solstice, is a reminder for our Organization that environmental preservation cannot happen without cultural preservation.

On behalf of all the Board members and volunteers, we wish you a Happy Solstice and a safe and wonderful December full of celebratory holidays.


