



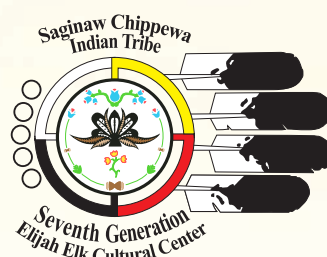
# Gardening Presentation

**Wednesday, May 16**

**12 p.m.** | Seventh Generation

7957 E. Remus Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

- Lunch will be served



## **Presenter: Tina Frankenburger**

A focus on the community garden and the importance of growing our own foods.

Aanii Boozhoo, My name is Tina Anne Frankenburger, granddaughter of Harry and Ida Mae John of Kewadin. I am a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. I currently reside in Suttons Bay. I have a B.S. degree in Fisheries and Wildlife from Michigan State University and have worked as a fisheries biologist for the Grand Traverse Band. I am a current volunteer of Michigan State University's Master Gardener Program. I began working with plants in my family's retail greenhouse at age 8. After working for GTB as a fisheries biologist I returned to my family's produce farm where I grew plants in our greenhouse to sell and plant in our fields, tended bees and raised chickens for eggs to sale at the local farmers' markets.

I returned to my tribal community in 2015 to pursue my passion and life's purpose, to bring Food Sovereignty back to our Anishinaabe communities. This will be my third season growing in our community gardens at the Grand Traverse Band. I am also a member of the Indigenous Seed Keepers Network. We are working to rematriate our native seed relatives back to their traditional homelands. One of our projects of seed rematriation is with the University of Michigan. We are working to bring our seed relatives home that had been collected and held in the University archives since the 1920's.

I love caring for our seed relatives and nurturing them to grown food to feed our people. I look forward to meeting you and passing on my knowledge and passion of growing food.

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