



# HOW NATIVE AMERICANS SHAPED OUR DEMOCRACY

**GUEST SPEAKER - JAMES MCKINLEY**

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 23**

**RECEPTION 7 PM LECTURE 7:30 PM**

**DUPORTAIL HOUSE, 297 ADAMS DRIVE, CHESTERBROOK**

**TICKETS \$20**

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Guest speaker James McKinley traces the origins of American democracy back to the Haudenosaunee, the powerful Native American nation whose Great Law of Peace served as a model for the framers of the US Constitution.

Adopted centuries before the arrival of Europeans in North America, the Great Law of Peace centers around the concepts of peace, harmony and, most importantly, unity. The document established the ideas of co-equal branches of government; a bicameral legislative body; and a system of checks and balances.

Learn how the Native American concepts influenced Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin and others and became established within our uniquely American democracy.



Guest Speaker  
**James McKinley**

*Come join us for this upcoming talk by local resident and engaging lecturer James McKinley at the historic Duportail House (c.1740) in Chesterbrook.*