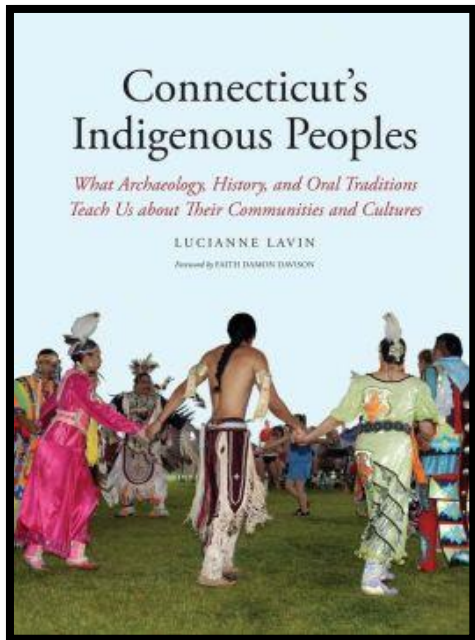


# The Mattabeseecs & the Indigenous Communities of Connecticut



Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 PM

Berlin-Peck Memorial Library

(No registration required)

Connecticut's indigenous communities have long, rich histories. Ignored or themselves falsely labeled extinct by local 19th century town histories, the story of their evolution into complex tribal societies with sophisticated social and political traditions had remained largely untold. This presentation shows that although ravaged by European diseases, war, land losses, poverty, and discrimination, Native American peoples adapted to their constantly changing social landscapes through a series of survival strategies. Many continue to be a vibrant part of Connecticut life today.

Presented by Lucianne Lavin, author of *Connecticut's Indigenous Peoples: What Archaeology, History, and Oral Traditions Teach Us About Their Communities and Cultures*. Dr. Lavin is Director of Research and Collections at the Institute for American Indian Studies in Washington, CT. Books will be for sale at event. Five dollars of each book sold at the event will go towards the Berlin Historical Society.



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