

HART OF THE WEST POWWOW

Native American dancers, singers, and drummers gathered for the 9th Annual Hart Of The West Powwow at the William S. Hart Park in Newhall, California, to reflect on their culture and heritage and to give respect to their elders. The powwow drew more than 200 representatives from many tribal nations including Apache, Cherokee, Chumash, Cree, Sioux, Blackfoot, Navajo, and Hopi. Adorned in hand-made, traditional regalia made of feathers, animal hair, beads, and bone, the dancers performed intertribal dances within a blessed circle and thrilled hundreds of onlookers. Shoppers crowded the Native American craft fair booths buying everything from turquoise to turtle shells, and children participated in traditional activities such as painting rocks, beading jewelry, and pumping water.

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