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**GENTLE THUNDER GIVING THANKS & GIVING BACK**

**Mt. Shasta, CA – An Evening of Giving Thanks & Giving Back** with Mt. Shasta's own GRAMMY® nominated multi-instrumentalist, recording artist, composer, producer, teacher and visionary Gentle Thunder. Join her Thursday November 19, 2009 at 7 p.m. at the Mt. Shasta Resort as she offers her alluring alliance of grand hammer dulcimer and Native American flutes in a long overdue solo appearance in Mt. Shasta. This internationally acclaimed artist is known for her distinctive sound and heart filled presence. Gentle Thunder's music has been described as "*heartfelt, glorious, enchanting and celebratory*" RJ Lannan- New Age Reporter. The event is a special presentation featuring her music as well as a few stories from her travels this past year as she wove her artistry in service with the International Council of 13 Indigenous Grandmothers and several other non-profit organizations. As a way of giving thanks and giving back, Gentle Thunder will offer a brief glimpse into these organizations and donate 25% of money raised at the door divided evenly to support those she has been working with this year: 13 Indigenous Grandmothers ([GrandmothersCouncil.com](http://GrandmothersCouncil.com)), Rising International ([RisingInternational.org](http://RisingInternational.org)), World Foundation for the Discipline of Peace ([DisciplineOfPeace.org](http://DisciplineOfPeace.org)), Global Camps Africa ([GlobalCampsAfrica.com](http://GlobalCampsAfrica.com)), Inner Light Ministries ([InnerLightMinistries.com](http://InnerLightMinistries.com)), Pachamama Alliance ([AwakeningTheDreamer.org](http://AwakeningTheDreamer.org)) as well as the Joan Lucas Performing Arts Scholarship in memory of her dear friend Joanie "Lil Boom Boom" Lucas. Tickets \$15 at the door - Info: (530) 925-4495 / [GentleThunder.com](http://GentleThunder.com)

Returning home from a 5 week tour, Gentle Thunder is giving thanks for her beloved community. "This past



year has been full of travel and wonderful opportunities to be an active part of co-creating a sustainable world where all beings are cared for, treated with love, kindness, respect and that the choices we make consider the next 7 generations. It is a powerful and pivotal time to be alive knowing each one of us has a gift to give and then working together to bring balance as a global community and yet I believe that change begins at home," exclaimed Gentle Thunder. "The 13 Indigenous Grandmothers were very inspiring and amazing to be with in Lincoln City, OR this past August. I feel blessed to be able to once again share my music in support of their upcoming gathering and film screening of their documentary, "For the Next 7 Generations", in Phoenix, AZ November 29, 2009 and in Sedona, AZ December 3-7, 2009 for their 7<sup>th</sup> council. There is still space available to bring your energy and presence to Sedona if you are called," encouraged GT.

Most recently GT was in Austin, TX, Santa Cruz, CA and seen at the Cascade Theater in Redding, CA as a guest on the "West Coast Live" radio show that will be aired on JPR, National Public Radio and online at a future date to be announced. "It was fabulous to look out in the audience and have so many Mt. Shasta folks smiling back at me!" said GT. Gentle Thunder will be available for private lessons in our mountain community after the first of the year, "Awaken and Nurture the Artist Within", no experience necessary. Call 530.925.4495 or email [GT@GentleThunder.com](mailto:GT@GentleThunder.com)

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