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### **SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY HOSTS WRITER CHRONICLING COMPLEXITY OF CONTEMPORARY NATIVE AMERICAN LIFE** *Illustration of Modern Native American Life Depicts Politics, Culture, and Pride*

**SAN DIEGO** – The San Diego Public Library will host an author talk featuring journalist Cathy Robbins who will discuss her new book, *All Indians Do Not Live in Tepees (or Casinos)* on Wednesday, November 16 at 6:30 p.m. in the Wangenheim Rare Book Room of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. Her byline has appeared in national and regional publications, including *The New York Times*, *High Country News*, *San Jose Mercury-News*, and [voiceofsandiego.org](http://voiceofsandiego.org). This event is free and open to the public.

*Kirkus Reviews* writes that *All Indians Do Not Live in Tepees (or Casinos)* traces “the forces affecting the lives of the nation’s four million Native Americans. The main force has been the repatriation of remains and cultural artifacts taken from Indian communities during centuries of European American occupation. In recounting emotional ceremonies held to celebrate such returns, Robbins explains that repatriations are helping tribes regain identity and cultures lost long ago. At the same time, an ongoing migration to cities, especially by young Native Americans, has become an important trend. Most Indians now live in cities and suburbs, writes Robbins, not on reservations. With their emphasis on human connection, repatriation efforts are becoming a way to help these urban migrants reconnect with the past and preserve their cultural identities. Robbins suggests the same quest for connection can be a useful model for non-Indian Americans, many of whose family members are scattered across the country.” Copies of the book will be available for purchase at the event and online at [www.cathyrobbins.com](http://www.cathyrobbins.com).

Learn about other events at the San Diego Public Library’s Central Library and 35 branches, find links to numerous additional resources (including those for local authors), or search for materials online in the Library’s catalog at [www.sandiegolibrary.org](http://www.sandiegolibrary.org).

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