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# ROOTED IN RENEWAL

Official Newsletter of Taino Woods Sanctuary



## In Rhythm with *Atabeyra*


*TAI MAUTIA TAINO WOODS FAMILIA,*

As Spring blossoms, we honor our responsibilities to each other, the Land, and our ancestral ways—walking with *Atabeyra* in love, reciprocity, and renewal.

### ☀️ LOOKING AHEAD: SUMMER AT TAÍNO WOODS

The full 2025 Gatherings Calendar is now live!

This summer, we gather in sacred circles of prayer, healing, and service through Red Tent Rites, Purification Lodges, Land Stewardship Days, the Summer Solstice Dance, Nature Quest Fast, and more.

 Explore upcoming events and register today on our [Gatherings Page](#).



### 🏆 TAÍNO AWARDS CEREMONY | MAY 10 | 3:00PM

📍 Boricua College, Bronx

Join us in honoring **Roman Perez Guaraguaorix of Maisiti Yukayeke Taíno** at the 15th Annual Taíno Awards, and support our *Tekinas* as they offer a special performance. Let's come together to celebrate Taíno culture, arts, and community achievements.

## Upcoming Gatherings:

### 💧 Red Tent & Womb Rites of Passage Blessing

Saturday, May 3, 2025  
11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Gather in sisterhood to honor the sacred cycles of womanhood through ceremony, storytelling, and blessing.

### 🌿 Land Stewardship & Evening Lodge

Saturday, May 17, 2025  
9:00 AM - 11:00 PM

Spend the day in service to *Atabeyra* and join the evening lodge for prayers of healing and renewal.

### 🌿 Land Stewardship & New Moon Purification Lodge Weekend

Saturday, May 31 –  
Sunday, June 1, 2025

A weekend of tending the Land in service to *Atabeyra*, followed by sacred renewal in the New Moon Purification Lodge.



## 🎁 T-SHIRT & CALENDAR GIVEAWAY

Every week, we're gifting one lucky community member a **Taino Woods T-shirt + 2025 Calendar**—a small way to say thank you for being part of this journey.

🌱 Not a member yet? [\[Sign up now\]](#) and join the celebration!

## 🌟 JOIN THE TEAM OR BOARD

Help shape the future of Taíno Woods! We're welcoming new members to our **Core Team and Board of Trustees**. If your gifts are in ceremony, logistics, creativity, or care—we'd love to hear from you.

✉️ Email us at [events@tainowoods.com](mailto:events@tainowoods.com) to get involved.



## 👏 COMMUNITY APPRECIATION & APRIL HIGHLIGHTS

Thank you to all who showed up in April with open hearts and hands! From clearing paths to cooking, drumming, and singing—your presence infused our Land Stewardship Day and New Moon Lodge with nourishment, care, and community. We are grateful to walk this sacred path alongside you.

## ♥️ SUPPORT THE SANCTUARY

Taino Woods Sanctuary blossoms through your generosity. Your donations help us care for the Land, hold sacred space, and sustain our offerings.

✉️ [\[Donate Today.\]](#)

*With love, gratitude, and prayer,  
Taino Woods Sanctuary*

## Prayer for the New Season

*Yaya Guaturey/Great Spirit,  
as the new season unfolds,  
we give thanks for the  
breath of Life,  
the warmth of the Sun,  
which gives us life  
and the teachings of the  
Mama Earth Atabeyra.*

*Guide our steps in balance  
and peace.*

*May we walk with open  
hearts,  
honoring all that grows,  
all that moves,  
and all that is yet to come.*

*Hahom, Han hankatu and  
Aho - Mitakuye Oyasin!*

