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Another Fake Indian Yanked Out of the Teepee; the Latest a “Two-Spirit”

Another day, another fake Indian.

This time the “pretendian” who spokeum with a forked tongue is a person called Katie LeClaire, who has been claiming Indian blood from multiple tribes for at least five years.

Alas and alack, a real Indian did some research and learned that she’s as fake as Indian beads made in Japan.

A twist: LeClaire masqueraded as a “two-spirit.” That’s Indian lingo for someone who is “non-binary,” which in turn is leftist code for a mentally ill individual who claims he, or she, doesn’t have a “gender,” meaning sex.



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Yet the story isn’t just one about yet another “pretendian” like Democratic Sen. Elizabeth Warren, also known as Fauxcahontas, or “Sacheen Littlefeather,” whose real name was Marie Louise Cruz.

It reveals just how the leftist obsession with “diversity,” particularly among leftist women, drives them to concoct fake identities they falsely believe enable them to speak with credibility they wouldn’t otherwise have.

“I’m Sorry”

For about the past five years, the leftist [Madison 365 reported](#), LeClaire was a member of “Madison’s Indigenous arts community,” which, it’s safe to say, wasn’t about to produce the next Michaelangelo.

LeClaire persuaded a music store called The Winnebago — named for the Indian tribe — to change its name because whites owned it. LeClaire succeeded, and bragged about her influence as “a founding member and co-owner of the queer Indigenous artists’ collective giige, and budding leader of Madison’s Indigenous arts community.”

(Giige, for the uninitiated, means “s/he heals up,” says the Ojibwe People’s Dictionary.)

“I’m glad the name is going, but I’m not happy the institutions that allowed it to be stolen in the first place remain,” LeClaire wrote. “For over 500 years, Indigenous Peoples have not controlled our narratives and representations. Our exclusion has been built into inclusion for others.”

LeClaire has about as much Indian blood as Warren, but still “claimed Métis, Oneida, Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Cuban and Jewish heritage,” [Madison 365 reported](#), using all the right pronouns:

Additionally, they identify as “two-spirit,” a term many Indigenous people use to describe a non-binary gender identity. In addition to becoming a member and co-owner of giige, LeClaire earned several artists’ stipends, a paid residency at the University of Wisconsin, a place on the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women Task Force and many speaking gigs and art exhibitions, not to mention a platform and trust of a community — all based on an



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ethnic identity that appears to have been fully fabricated.

For her part, LeClaire apologized and fled the reservation.

LeClaire's undoing was a person called AdvancedSmite, who posted at the "New Age Fraud Forum, a message board on a relatively obscure website." AdvancedSmite learned that LeClaire's real bloodlines are German, Swedish, and French Canadian. Whether her ancestry includes Jews or Cubans is unclear.

Understandably, that revelation leaves behind a trail of tears. Indians are not pleased, nor do they seem disposed to smoke the peace pipe with LeClaire, not least because she put away a canoeful of wampum during her time as a pretendian.

Kristie Goforth, a Chippewa, explained for the website. "I'm just stuck. I'm stuck in a weird pool of emotions that I'm struggling to process," she told *Madison 365*:

"I'm fighting the part of me that wants to say, 'here's a white person who's betraying us again, another white person that can't be trusted.' I don't want to group them all into a pool of people who can't be trusted, because that's just not the case. But that's how I feel right now a little bit, just because it's so raw."...

"I am a woman in my 50s. One of the reasons I was excited about seeing (them) come on the scene was this young (person), strong, bold and loud, really just pushing conversations forward. I really appreciated that.... I love to empower younger women. I think that's important that we do that in our community. I just really wanted to see ... them shine their light here and, and help move conversation and education forward. That's what's so hard. It's just such a gut punch."

The story goes on, but all that's enough to keep the tribe around the campfire listening with rapt attention.

Other Fakers

LeClaire joins a long line of race hoaxers:

- Warren's resumé included submitting to a cookbook three "Cherokee" recipes [she plagiarized](#) from *The New York Times*;
- Late actor Marlon Brando [chose faker "Littlefeather"](#) to refuse his *Godfather* Oscar to protest the treatment of American Indians;
- "Civil rights" lawyer [Natasha Lycia Ora Bannan pretended](#) to be Hispanic;
- Former professor [Jessica Krug falsely claimed](#) she is black; as did
- [Rachel Dolezal](#), perhaps the most famous race faker of all, not least for her Sideshow Bob coiffure.

"Race hoaxers have a fairly discernible pattern," [conservative blogger Steve Sailer wrote](#). "They are mostly left-wing women from academia or at least a college town who want to be activists and like to play dress up, such as this latest case."

The question is why such leftist women want to play dress up, given that normal women give up such childish things while still children. Or at least before they are older ones.

Answer: They might just be nutty as a jar of Planters.

After analyzing data from Pew Research almost three years ago, the [Manhattan Institute's Zach](#)



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[Goldberg](#) found that “white (and especially ‘very’) liberals are far more likely than all other ideological-racial subgroups to report being diagnosed with a mental health condition.”

And almost 50 percent of white leftists, he found, report diagnoses of mental illness.

If true, that might explain why leftist women throw tantrums when their candidates lose elections. Or, in this case, why they adopt fake identities that seemingly confirm their commitment to “diversity” and solidarity with “marginalized peoples.” Only by *becoming* diverse and marginalized can a person experience the pain, racism, and other suffering the diverse and marginalized have endured.

Thus the fakery.



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