

High-Stakes Games with Indigenous Chunkey Stones in Southern Illinois

Cahokia Mounds

- “Most sophisticated prehistoric native civilization north of Mexico”
- Near present-day Collinsville, IL



<https://cahokiamounds.org/educate/>

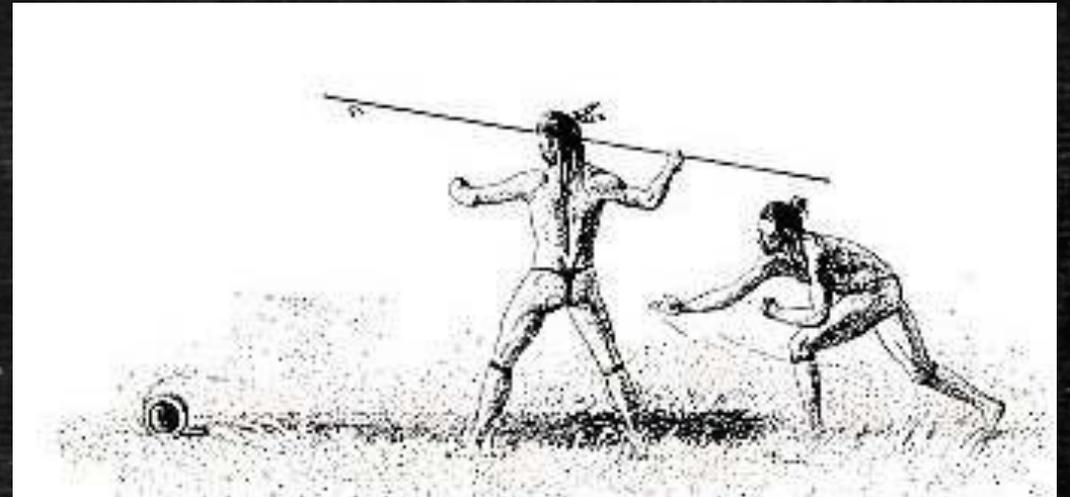
Introduction

- The Mississippians civilization that lived here built:
 - Basic homes
 - Large public works project
- Evidence of many structures exist today



Chunkey Stone

- Many were recovered at the Cahokia Mound is a
- Chunkey (or tchung-kee) is an indigenous game with two opponents:
 - First player rolls a stone disc across the ground
 - Second player throws a spear to knock down the rolling stone disc or land the spear as close as possible to the stopped disc



<https://peachstatearchaeologicalsociety.org/index.php/22-game-stones/151-chunky-stones>

Chunkey's Origins

- Circa 600 CE/AD
- Played long after Mississippian Period (circa 1500 CE/AD)



Use Evidence from the Sources Provided to Cite Examples of this Game's Existence

