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**INDIGENOUS HISTORY & HERITAGE GATHERING**

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**EVENT PROGRAM | JUNE 2 – 4, 2024**



**Day 1 - June 2<sup>nd</sup>**

11:00 AM – 6:00 PM • Registration Open



**12:00 - 2:45 PM Library and Archives Canada** *Room - Governor General I*  
*Workshops*

Guided by expert archivists and researchers, participants will learn the basics of archival research. They will explore topics such as the importance of archives, how to navigate LAC's collection, and the best practices for preserving and handling documents.

**The Sixties Scoop, Reconciliation & Indigenous Child Welfare**

*Room - Governor General II & III*

This session explores the history of the Sixties Scoop, Reconciliation and Indigenous Child Welfare in North America followed by a deep dive into the process and procedures of the 2024 Grant Program of the National Sixties Scoop Healing Foundation of Canada.

**2:45 - 5:00 PM Fieldtrips (off site)**

Participants will board busses departing from the Westin and head to local institutions that preserve and share history and culture. These exclusive "behind-the-scenes" tours will equip attendees with practical insights and knowledge to enrich their own communities upon their return home.

**6:30 - 8:30 PM Arts and Culture Night** *Room - Confederation I, II & III*

Talented Indigenous artists, curators, and storytellers from across Turtle Island will showcase their work at IHHG. This opening celebration will kick off the second annual Indigenous History and Heritage Gathering. Light refreshments and non-alcoholic beverages provided.



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## Day 2 - June 3<sup>rd</sup>

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM • Registration Open  
9:00 AM – 4:00 PM • Exhibits Open

### 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM Breakfast

### 8:30 AM – 9:00 AM Opening Remarks Room - Confederation II & III

- » Claudette Commanda, CEO, First Nations Confederacy of Cultural Education Centres
- » Stephanie Scott, Executive Director, National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation

### 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM Keynote: Dr. Wilton Littlechild Room - Confederation II & III

- » Dr. Wilton Littlechild, Maskwacis, Alberta – Treaty No. 6 Grand Chief, Lawyer

### 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM Break – Visit Exhibitors and Artists

### 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Water and Land Back Room - Confederation II & III

*Concurrent Sessions*

- » Stephanie Peltier, Traditional Knowledge Keeper, Matriarch, and Clean Water Activist/Water Walker
- » Autumn Peltier, Chief Water Commissioner for the Anishinabek Nation and an Indigenous Rights & Water Activist
- » Diane Obed, Researcher, Mount Saint Vincent University
- » Michael Kanentakeron Mitchell, Politician, Akwesasne Mohawk Nation

### Reclaiming and Revitalizing Indigenous Languages and Culture

Room - Governor General I

- » Aluki Kotierk, Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated President
- » Elder Norm Fleury, Special Advisor, University of Saskatchewan
- » Gloria Wells, First Nation Confederacy of Cultural Education Centres

### The Legacy of Indian Residential School Buildings and Sites

Room - Governor General II

- » Ivy Peers, Project Manager for the U'mista Cultural Centre
- » Sophie Pierre, St. Eugene's Resort
- » Raymond Frogner, Senior Director of Research and Head of Archives, National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation

### 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Lunch

### 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM Author's Panel Room - Confederation II & III

*Concurrent Sessions*

- » Nicola Campbell, Award-winning author of *Stand Like a Cedar*
- » Jean Teillet, Author of *The Northwest is our Mother* and Retired Indigenous Rights Lawyer
- » Louise Flaherty, Co-Founder, Inhabit Media Inc

### Preserving Language and Culture in Museums Room - Governor General I

- » Tim Bernard, Executive Director, Mi'kmawey Debert Cultural Centre
- » Alice Williams, Expert Quilt Maker
- » Salina Kemp, Curator of Eastern Ethnology, Canadian Museum of History

### Digital Preservation Room - Governor General II

- » Danielle Heavy Head, Liaison to the Blackfoot Digital Library
- » Jeff Ward, Founder & CEO Animikii
- » Jennica Robinson, Design Lead, Design de Plume

### 2:30 PM – 3:00 PM Break – Visit Exhibitors and Artists

### 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM Kimberly Murray, BA, LL.B, IPC Room - Confederation II & III

Independent Special Interlocutor for Missing Children and Unmarked Graves and Burial Sites associated with Indian Residential Schools

### 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM Bingo Night Room - Confederation II & III

## Day 3 - June 4<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM – 2:45 PM • Registration Open  
9:00 AM – 4:30 PM • Exhibits Open

### 7:30 AM – 8:30 AM Breakfast

### 8:30 AM – 8:45 AM Opening Remarks Room - Confederation II & III

- » Claudette Commanda, CEO, First Nations Confederacy of Cultural Education Centres
- » Stephanie Scott, Executive Director, National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation

### 8:45 AM – 10:00 AM Keynote: Storytellers in Dialogue Room - Confederation II & III

- » Connie Walker, Journalist, Host of *Stolen: Surviving St. Michael's*
- » Tanya Talaga, Author, Journalist, President of Makwa Creative
- » Facilitated by Duncan McCue, Award-winning Canadian Journalist

### 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM Break – Visit Exhibitors and Artists

### 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM Records and Remembrance Room - Confederation II & III

*Concurrent Sessions*

- » Sarah Hurford, Project Lead, Day Schools Project, Government Record Branch, Library and Archives Canada
- » Jimmy Fournier, General Director of Technologies, National Film Board of Canada
- » Wayne D. Garnons-Williams, B.A., J.D., MPA, LL.M Acting CEO – National Sixties Scoop Healing Foundation of Canada

### Protecting Family Legacies Room - Governor General I

- » Elaine Uppahuak, Director, PhD Candidate, Sivumuaqatigiit Inuit Employment
- » Jennifer David, Chapleau Cree First Nation

### Sharing Truth through Creative Mediums Room - Governor General II

- » Paul Seesequasis, Author of *Blanket Toss Under Midnight Sun*
- » Jason Brennan, President, Nish Media
- » Mat Lemay and Crystal Martin, Co-Founders, Indigenous Geographic

### 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM Lunch

### 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM Land Back – Sharing the Stories Room - Confederation II & III

*Concurrent Sessions*

- » Pam Palmater, Mi'kmaw lawyer and Chair in Indigenous Governance at Toronto Metropolitan University
- » Taiaiake Alfred, Kahnawà:ke Governance Project & Senior Advisor on Indigenous Initiatives, McGill University

### Creating Meaningful Exhibits Room - Governor General I

- » Andrea Walsh, Associate Professor and Smyth Chair in Arts & Engagement, University of Victoria
- » Jenna Bower, Manager & Cultural Coordinator of the Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre, Red Deer Museum + Art Gallery
- » Patrick and Marissa Mitsuing, Powwow Times, Guest Curators, Red Deer Museum + Art Gallery

### The History and Legacy of Day Schools Room - Governor General II

- » Claudette Commanda, CEO, First Nations Confederacy of Cultural Education Centres

### 2:30 PM – 3:00 PM Break – Visit Exhibitors and Artists

### 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM Keynote: Survivor's Panel Room - Confederation II & III

- » Maata Evaluardjuk-Palmer, Inuit
- » Eugene Arcand, Muskeg Lake First Nation in Saskatchewan, Inuit
- » Florence Paynter, Sandy Bay First Nation and Norway House Cree Nation
- » Facilitated by Raymond Frogner, Senior Director of Research and Head of Archives, National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation

### 4:00 PM – 4:30 PM Closing Remarks Room - Confederation II & III

- » Ryan Shackleton, Director, Know History
- » Claudette Commanda, CEO, First Nations Confederacy of Cultural Education Centres