



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FRIENDSHIP CENTRES
URBAN INDIGENOUS SUMMIT:
 ACTION FOR THE NEXT GENERATION



NOVEMBER 27-29, 2023 • OTTAWA, ON

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Join the National Association of Friendship Centres (NAFC) as we gather our members and friends for the 2nd Annual Urban Indigenous Summit: *Action for the Next Generation*. The purpose of the Urban Indigenous Summit will be to provide opportunities amongst the Friendship Centre Movement and our Partners for knowledge exchange, capacity building and action planning on matters that are relevant to Friendship Centres.

Sunday November 26, 2023 Delta Hotel Ottawa City Centre		
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Summit Registration	
Day 1 – Monday November 27, 2023 Delta Hotel Ottawa City Centre		
7:30 a.m.	Summit Registration	
7:30 a.m.	Hot Breakfast	
9:00 a.m.	Opening Ceremonies/Welcoming Remarks <i>Masters of Ceremony: Talon Fire Bird and Averi Doxtator</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Prayers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Elder Claudette Commanda - Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg, Elder Reta Gordon - Métis Nation of Ontario, and Elder Zippora Nochasak - Tungasuvvingat Inuit • Welcome to Algonquin Territory - Chief Dylan Whiteduck, Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg • Welcoming Remarks from Kelly Benning, President, National Association of Friendship Centres (NAFC) • Remarks by Jocelyn Formsma, Chief Executive Officer, NAFC 	
9:45 a.m.	Opening Keynote Address <i>Edith Cloutier, Executive Director, Val-d'Or Native Friendship Centre</i>	
10:15 a.m.	Health Break	



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10:30 a.m.	Remarks – Special Guest <i>Question and Answer Period</i>	
11:15 a.m.	State of the Movement: Intergenerational Perspectives <i>Facilitated by Averi Doxtator, President, Indigenous Youth Council</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Representative: Samantha Jack, Youth Executive, NAFC • Current Leader: Kelly Benning, President, NAFC • Senator: Vera Pawis-Tabobondung, NAFC Senate 	
12:15 p.m.	Lunch	
1:15 p.m.	CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS	
	Workshop #1 – The Colours of Friendship: Honouring Spaces for 2S+ & IndigiQueer Inclusivity <i>Presenters: Samantha Jack - Youth Executive, Shelby Provost, Vice President and Madeline Burns, BC Representative - NAFC Indigenous Youth Council; Victoria Marchand, Policy Analyst – NAFC; Leah Prisque and Aurora Ominika-Enosse, Youth Coordinators - NAFC</i>	
	Workshop #2 – Navigating Cultural Humility <i>Presenters: Melody Wood - Aboriginal Friendship Centres of Saskatchewan; Caley-Rain Anderson - Newo Yotina Friendship Centre; and Kirby Scott, Saskatoon Friendship Centre</i>	
	Workshop #3 – Coalitions for Change: Mobilizing Communities and Partners for Political Advocacy <i>Presenter: Justin Campbell, First Light</i>	
	Workshop #4 – Urban Indigenous Research Panel <i>Presenters: David Newhouse, Kevin Fitzmaurice and Verle Harrop – Trent University; and Audrey Pinsonnault, Regroupement des centres d'amitié autochtones du Québec (RCAAQ)</i>	
1:15 p.m.	Sharing Circle #1 - Strengthening the Magnitude of September 30th: Friendship Centre Community Engagement on National Day on Truth and Reconciliation <i>Presenter: Justin Sackenyay – NAFC</i> <i>Note: 15 maximum participants and sign up required at registration. This sharing circle is offered English only, French will be offered during Sharing Circle #3.</i>	
2:45 p.m.	Health Break	



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3:15 p.m.	CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS	
	<p>Workshop #5 – Better Supporting Urban Inuit</p> <p><i>Presenters: Julie Grenier, - Taqramiut Nipingat Incorporated (TNI); Amanda Kilbuk - MMIWG2S+ Urban Indigenous Action Group; and Pulaarvik Friendship Centre</i></p>	
	<p>Workshop #6 – On the Land Programming Panel</p> <p><i>Presenters: Jennifer Brazeau, Lodrik Parlavecchio, and Emylou Lapalme - Centre d'amitié autochtone de Lanaudière; and Candy Paul - Under One Sky Friendship Centre</i></p>	
	<p>Workshop #7 – Addressing Housing and Homelessness Through the Friendship Centre Movement</p> <p><i>Presenters: Dr. Jonathon Potskin, Research Department - NAFC; Ian Hamilton - Office of the Federal Housing Advocate; Rachel Sansregret, Winnipeg Indigenous Friendship Centre; Laurent Oajick, Société immobilière du Regroupement des centres d'amitié autochtones du Québec; and Jocelyn Formsma, Chief Executive Officer- NAFC/NICHI Board member</i></p>	
	<p>Workshop #8 – Bridging Across Canada: A Database Application for and by Friendship Centres</p> <p><i>Presenters: Sheila Moerkoert – Grand Prairie Friendship Centre; Jason Googoo – Membertou Geomatics Solutions; and Andrew Macumber - NAFC</i></p>	
3:15 p.m.	<p>Sharing Circle #2 - MMIWG2S+: Envisioning Safe, Secure and Successful Urban Indigenous Communities</p> <p><i>Presenter: Whitney Knott – NAFC</i></p> <p><i>Note: 15 maximum participants and sign up required at registration. This sharing circle is offered English only, French will be offered during Sharing Circle #5.</i></p>	
4:45 p.m.	Adjourned for Day 1	



7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Networking Social and Entertainment

Location: Canada Room, National Arts Centre, 1 Elgin Street, Ottawa
Light refreshments provided, alcohol-free
 Emcee: *Chelazon Leroux*
Classical Music by Keith Whiteduck during Networking Reception
Performance by Comedian Clifton Cremo



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Day 2 – Tuesday November 28, 2023

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8:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast	
9:00 a.m.	Opening Prayer Recap of Day One - Overview of Day Two <i>Masters of Ceremony: Talon Fire Bird and Averi Doxtator</i>	
9:15 a.m.	Remarks by the Honourable Gary Vidal, Conservative Member of Parliament for Desnethé – Missinippi – Churchill River (Saskatchewan) Remarks by the Honourable Jamie Schmale, Conservative Member of Parliament for Haliburton – Kawartha Lakes – Brock (Ontario) <i>Question/Answer Period</i>	
9:45 a.m.	Plenary Panel Presentation: Why We Collect Data <i>Facilitator: Andrew Macumber, NAFC</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pam Glode-Desrochers, Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre • Miranda Laroche, Grand Prairie Native Friendship Centre 	
10:15 a.m.	Health Break	
11:00 a.m.	CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS	
	Workshop #9 – Navigating Health and Mental Wellness <i>Presenters: Douglas Bartlett - The Pas Friendship Centre; Bipin Prasad Dhakal - Tlichon Friendship Centre; Jessica Rose - Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre; and Jenna Chisholm - NAFC</i>	
	Workshop #10 – Healing Through Language: A Journey of Resilience <i>Presenters: Ernest Abel - The Tree of Peace Friendship Centre; Peter Underwood and Lisa Mecure - Victoria Native Friendship Centre; Sarah Cote, Maniwaki Friendship Centre; and Omovigho Abiri - NAFC</i>	
	Workshop #11 - Urban Indigenous Community Perspectives on End-of-Life Care <i>Presenter: Victoria Marchand – NAFC</i>	
11:00 a.m.	Sharing Circle #3 - Strengthening the Magnitude of September 30th: Friendship Centre Community Engagement on National Day on Truth and Reconciliation <i>Presenter: Justin Sackenyay – NAFC</i> <i>Note: 15 maximum participants and sign up required at registration</i>	



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12:30 p.m.	Lunch Provided	
1:30 p.m.	Keynote Presentation: Dallas Goldtooth - TV Writer, Actor, A co-founder of the 1491s comedy group, Climate Justice Advocate, Organizer	
2:15 p.m.	Health Break	
2:30 p.m.	CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS	
	<p>Workshop #12 – Advocating for Urban Indigenous Health: Reflections on the Co-Development Indigenous Health Legislation Process</p> <p><i>Presenters: Surkhab Peerzada – Ontario Federation of Indigenous Friendship Centres;</i></p> <p><i>Tanya Sirois – Regroupement des centres d’amitiés autochtones du Québec (RCAAQ); and Victoria Marchand – NAFC</i></p>	
	<p>Workshop #13 – Panel on Wise Practices in Housing and Homelessness</p> <p><i>Presenters: Shane Gauthier - Aboriginal Friendship Centre of Calgary; Gwen Cardinal - Prince George Native Friendship Centre; and Cheyenne Labrador - Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre</i></p>	
	<p>Workshop #14 – Panel on Community Safety for Indigenous Women and 2SLGBTQIIA+</p> <p><i>Presenter: Morgana Machea - Aboriginal Friendship Centres of Saskatchewan; Rachel Sansregret - Winnipeg Indigenous Friendship Centre; and Sarah Laurich, Autumn Windego and Krystal Snider - Atikokan Native Friendship Centre</i></p>	
	<p>Workshop #15 – Collaborative Process on Indian Registration, Band Membership and First Nation Citizenship</p> <p><i>Presenter: Justin Sackenay - NAFC</i></p>	
2:30 p.m.	<p>Sharing Circle #4 - MMIWG2S+: Envisioning Safe, Secure and Successful Urban Indigenous Communities</p> <p><i>Presenter: Whitney Knott – NAFC</i></p> <p><i>Note: 15 maximum participants and sign up required at registration. This sharing circle is offered English only, French will be offered during Sharing Circle #5.</i></p>	
4:00 p.m.	Closing Plenary	
4:30 p.m.	Adjourned for the day 2	



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Day 3 - Wednesday, November 29, 2023

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8:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast	
9:00 a.m.	Opening Prayer Recap of Day Two - Overview of Day Three <i>Masters of Ceremony: Talon Fire Bird and Averi Doxtator</i>	
9:15 a.m.	Presentation by Special Guest <i>Question and Answer Period</i>	
10:15 a.m.	Health Break	
10:45 a.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS	
	Workshop #16 – Urban Indigenous Social Economy <i>Presenters: Shane Gauthier - Aboriginal Friendship Centre of Calgary; Israel Rikihana - Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Society; Gabby Fayant - Assembly of Seven Generations; and Monida Eang - NAFC</i>	
	Workshop #17 – Community Programming <i>Presenters: Erika Powell - Under One Sky Friendship Centre; and Tracy Lynn Wadge, Rainbows for all Children Canada</i>	
	Workshop #18 – The Urban Indigenous Sport and Recreation Strategy: A Pilot Project Led by Community for Community <i>Presenters: Waneek Horn-Miller – Mohawk Olympian, Mother and Motivator; and Victoria Marchand - NAFC</i>	
10:45 a.m.	Sharing Circle #5 - MMIWG2S+: Envisioning Safe, Secure and Successful Urban Indigenous Communities <i>Presenter: Whitney Knott – NAFC</i> <i>Note: 15 maximum participants and sign up required at registration</i>	
12:15 p.m.	Lunch Provided	
1:15 p.m.	Keynote Presentation by Michael Redhead Champagne	
1:45 p.m.	Closing Plenary by Jocelyn Formsma, Chief Executive Officer, NAFC	
2:15 p.m.	Closing Protocols	
2:30 p.m.	Summit Adjourned	