

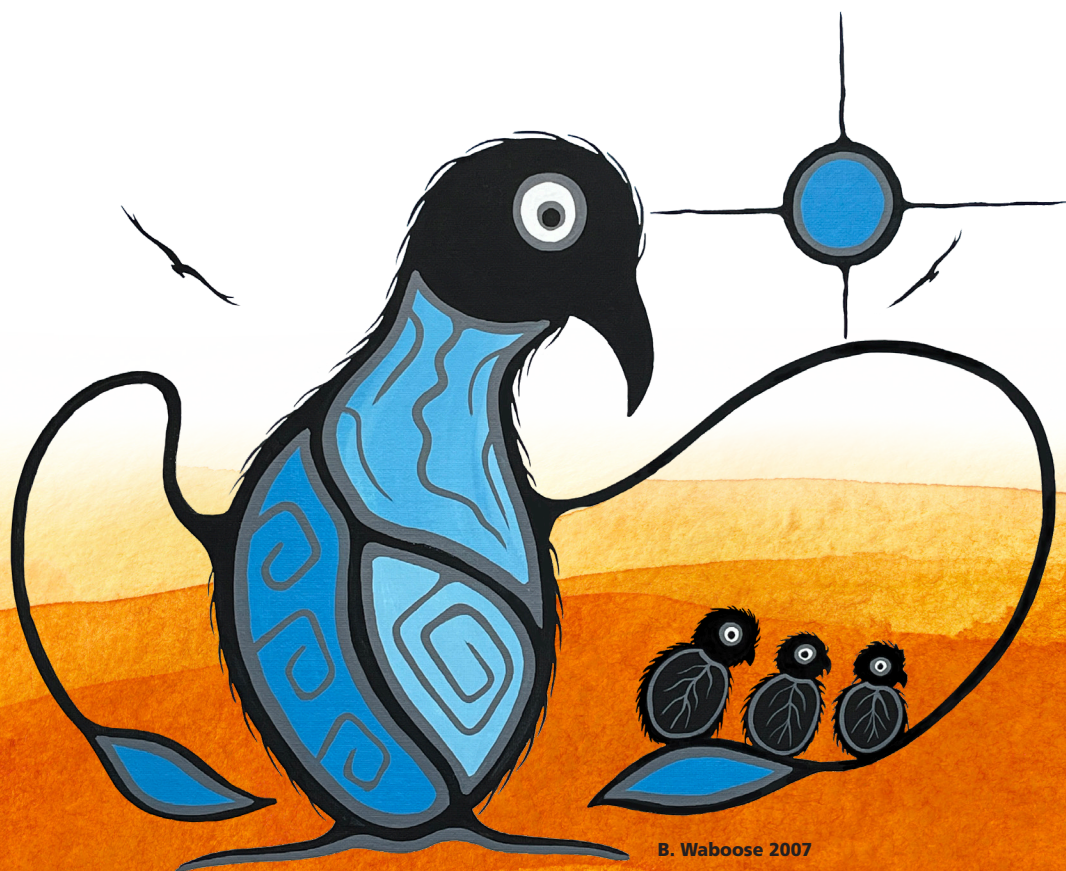
# NATIONAL BUILDING RECONCILIATION FORUM (NBRF)

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**June 25 to 27, 2024 • Laurentian University**

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## PROGRAM



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A Universities Canada initiative, the NBRF annual event stems from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's (TRC) Calls to Action. The aim of the Forum is to support and grow the work of Truth and Reconciliation among key partners such as First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples, university administrators, faculty and government policy makers.

This year, NBRF participants will discuss, share best practices, and support participants in exploring critical issues, innovative solutions and approaches related to education for First Nations, Métis and Inuit students. This year's theme is Indigenous Education and Mapping Out Institutional Spaces.

NBRF will facilitate the sharing of knowledge and experience in a wide variety of formats: panel discussions, oral histories, workshops, lectures and presentations from the visual and performing arts. A Vendors/Makers' Market is on site during the Forum. A critical element of the Forum is a direct and collaborative engagement with First Nations, Métis and Inuit communities. The Forum includes an exceptionally diverse program of Guest Speakers, Special Sessions, Elders and Knowledge Keepers all engaged in advancing Truth and Reconciliation in our education systems.

### **Land Acknowledgement**

We would like to acknowledge the Robinson-Huron Treaty of 1850. We also further recognize that Laurentian University is located on the traditional lands of the Atikameksheng Anishnawbek and that the City of Greater Sudbury, also includes the traditional lands of the Wahnapiatae First Nation. We extend our deepest respect to Indigenous peoples – as a sign of our continued relationship we will support Laurentian University's Truth and Reconciliation Task Force Recommendations. Miigwech.

Ka ke ginwaamdanaa Aki Gaabijidebendaagwak Robinson Huron Naakinegewin ode 1850. Miinwa ginwaamdandaa Laurentian Chi-kinomaagegamik gewii teg maanpii gidaa kiimina Atikameksheng Anishnawbek debendaagwak miinwa Chi-odeno Sudbury miinwa gewii debendaagwak Wahnapiatae Anishinaabe kiing. Gichipiitenmananig Anishinaabek- ga nakiitanaa weweni maanpii Laurentian Chi-kinomaagegamik Debwewin miinwa Minadaapnagewin Nakii Naadmageh Makwataagziwin. Miigwech.



# DAY 1, JUNE 25

6:30 am – 6:45 am	<b>Lighting of the Sacred Fire</b>	Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre Round Room, Outdoor area
6:45 am – 7:45 am	<b>Sunrise Gathering and Transfer of the National Building Reconciliation Forum Paddle and Moccasins between Western University and Laurentian University:</b> Paula Cornelius-Hedgepeth, Elder Bruce Elijah, Associate Vice-President Academic, Indigenous Programs, Dominic Beaudry and Laurentian University President, Dr. Lynn Wells	Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre Round Room, Outdoor area
7:00 am – 8:00 am	<b>Breakfast</b>	Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre Round Room
8:00 am – 4:00 pm	<b>Registration</b>	Atrium, R.D. Parker Building
9:00 am – 10:00 am	<b>Opening Prayer:</b> Elder Grace Fox <b>Welcoming Address:</b> Associate Vice-President Academic, Indigenous Programs, Dominic Beaudry  <b>OPENING REMARKS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chief Larry Roque and Gimaa Craig Nootchtai</li><li>• Laurentian University President, Dr. Lynn Wells</li><li>• Universities Canada President, Gabriel Miller</li><li>• Board of Governor Chair, Vernon Cameron and Governor, Angela Recollet</li><li>• Laurentian University Native Education Council Chair, Martin Bayer</li></ul>	Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre Round Room
<b>10:00 am – 10:30 am</b>	<b>Health Break</b>	Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre Round Room
10:30 am – 11:45 am	<b>Networking / Display Booths / Vendors Market</b>	Atrium, R.D. Parker Building
11:45 am – 1:00 pm	<b>Lunch and Round Table on Indigenous Programs Consultation</b> <b>Co-Facilitators:</b> Jennifer Johnson and Janice Liedl	Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre Round Room
1:15 pm	<b>Shuttles Departure to Communities from Laurentian University RD Parker Atrium</b>	
2:00 pm – 3:45 pm	<b>Showcasing Laurentian, the City of Greater Sudbury and First Nations Communities</b> Transportation to: Science North / Atikameksheng Anishnawbek First Nation / Wahnapiatae First Nation	
4:00 pm	<b>Shuttle Departure to Laurentian University from Communities</b>	
5:00 pm – 9:00 pm	<b>Nibwaachidwin Social</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Master of Ceremony, Darren McGregor</li><li>• Opening Remarks</li><li>• Honouring Dwayne Trudeau</li><li>• Feast</li><li>• Showcase</li></ul>	Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre Round Room

## DAY 2, JUNE 26 (Morning)

8:00 am – 4:00 pm	<b>Registration</b>	Atrium, R.D. Parker Building
8:45 am – 9:30 am	<p><b>Opening Prayer:</b> Elder Grace Fox</p> <p><b>Welcoming Address:</b> Associate Vice-President Academic, Indigenous Programs, Dominic Beaudry</p> <p><b>OPENING REMARKS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invited Chiefs Chief Larry Roque and Gimaa Craig Nootchta</li> <li>• Laurentian University President, Dr. Lynn Wells</li> <li>• Universities Canada President, Gabriel Miller</li> <li>• Board of Governor Chair, Vernon Cameron and Governor, Angela Recollet</li> <li>• Laurentian University Native Education Council Chair, Martin Bayer</li> </ul>	Auditorium, Fraser Building (FA-054)

### THEME 1: THE POWER OF STORYTELLING – CRAFTING COMPELLING NARRATIVES

#### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

#### WAUBGESHIG RICE

*Anishinaabe Journalist and Author*

#### Session Title: The Community Roots of Storytelling Careers

9:30 am – 10:30 am

Auditorium, Fraser Building (FA-054)



10:30 am – 11:00 am	<b>Health Break</b>		
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Session A	<p><b>Presenter:</b> Joshua Manitowabi</p> <p><b>Session Title:</b> Natural Disasters and Fires – A Manitoulin Anishinaabe Historical Narrative</p>	Executive Learning Centre (FA-386), Fraser Building
	Session B	<p><b>Presenter:</b> Jason Nakogee</p> <p><b>Session Title:</b> Truth and Reconciliation Taskforce Presentation</p>	Fraser Building (FA-055)
	Session C	<p><b>Presenter:</b> Leland Bell</p> <p><b>Session Title:</b> Anishinaabe Naapwin / Vision</p>	Fraser Building (FA-056)

### THEME 2: LANGUAGE AND CULTURE – ELDERS AND CULTURAL PRACTITIONERS IN THE WORKPLACE

11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Session D	<p><b>Presenter:</b> George Couchie</p> <p><b>Session Title:</b> Cultural Mindfulness: Everyone has a Story</p>	Auditorium, Fraser Building (FA-054)
	Session E	<p><b>Presenters:</b> Renée Lemoyne, Charles (Majijiwan) Petahtegoose and Elder Lorney Bob</p> <p><b>Session Title:</b> Anishinaabemowin Land-based Language Immersion Learning Implications on Wholistic Health</p>	Classroom Building (C-112)
	Session F	<p><b>Presenter:</b> Roxane Recollet</p> <p><b>Session Title:</b> The Medicine Wheel and Self Care</p>	Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre Round Room
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	<b>Lunch</b>		<b>Great Hall, R.D. Parker Building</b>



## DAY 2, JUNE 26 (Afternoon)

### THEME 3: CULTURAL DIVERSITY – CELEBRATING DIFFERENCES AND BUILDING BRIDGES

#### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

#### Dr. SHEILA COTE-MEEK

*Author of Colonized Classrooms; Trauma and Resistance in Post-Secondary Education*

#### Session Title: Doing Reconciliatory Work: Reclaiming Space and Place in the Academy

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

Auditorium, Fraser Building (FA-054)



2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Health Break		
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Session A	<b>Presenter:</b> Natalie Goodlet <b>Session Title:</b> Learn with Your Head, Lead from the Heart & Speak Your Truth: Empowering ReconciliACTION in Schools	Executive Learning Centre (FA-386), Fraser Building
	Session B	<b>Presenter:</b> Vanessa Brousseau <b>Session Title:</b> Sharing Truths	Fraser Building (FA-055)
	Session C	<b>President Panel:</b> Lynn Wells, Jackie Ottmann and Digvir Jayas <b>Session Title:</b> Experience Advancing Reconciliation, Indigenization, and Indigenous Education Within Their Institutions	Auditorium, Fraser Building (FA-054)
	Session D	<b>Reference Group on Aboriginal Education Panel:</b> David Newhouse, Darren Thomas, Michael White and Kat Pasquash <b>Session Title:</b> Indigenous Verification	Fraser Building (FA-056)
	Session E	<b>Presenter:</b> Jennifer St. Germain <b>Session Title:</b> Mapping Métis Voices & Stories on the Path of Reconciliation	Classroom Building (C-112)
	Session F	<b>Presenters:</b> Sharlene Webkamigad, Arlene Johnson, Adria Kurchina-Tyson, Connor Lafortune, Ophelia Moses-O'Donnell and Alicia Williamson <b>Session Title:</b> A Tense but Strong Rope: Unpacking Identity in Admission Practices	Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre Round Room
5:30 pm – 10:00 pm	<b>BANQUET</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presenter: Duke Pelletier</li> <li>• Performances by: Elijah Maniwababi and Jordan Mowat</li> </ul>		Alumni Hall, Fraser Building

# DAY 3, JUNE 27 (Morning)

8:00 am – 12:00 pm	<b>Registration</b>	Atrium, R.D. Parker Building
8:45 am – 9:00 am	<b>Opening Prayer:</b> Elder Grace Fox <b>Welcoming Address:</b> Director, Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre, Mary Laur and Associate Vice-President Academic, Indigenous Programs, Dominic Beaudry	Fraser Auditorium (FA-054)

## THEME 4: SHAPING THE FUTURE – TRENDS AND INSIGHTS IN IMPLEMENTING TRC

### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

### TANYA TALAGA

*Award Winning Anishinaabe Journalist and Author*

#### Session Title: All Our Relations: Finding The Path Forward

9:00 am – 10:00 am

Auditorium, Fraser Building (FA-054)



<b>10:30 am – 11:00 am</b>	<b>Health Break</b>		
10:30 am – 11:30 am	Session A	<b>Laurentian University Native Education Council Panel:</b> Martin Bayer, Roxane Manitowabi, Beverly Price and Debbie Debassige <b>Session Title:</b> Panelists will share their roles in the organizations they represent and what skills and advocate work they bring to LUNEC that strengthens our committee.	Executive Learning Centre (FA-386), Fraser Building
	Session B	<b>Presenters:</b> Shannon Bassett and Julia Pegahmagabow <b>Session Title:</b> Decolonizing Cities through Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK)	Auditorium, Fraser Building (FA-054)
	Session C	<b>Presenters:</b> Samuel Bénard-Barry and Connor Lafortune (G'chi Waabshka Mukwa) <b>Session Title:</b> Decolonizing Indigenous 2S/LGBTQ+ Identities	Classroom Building (C-112)
	Session D	<b>Presenters:</b> Kevin Fitzmaurice, Charles (Majijiwan) Petahtegoose and Elder Lorney Bob <b>Session Title:</b> Debwetoowaajimowin / Trust as the Foundation of Reconciliation	Fraser Building (FA-055)
	Session E	<b>Presenters:</b> Natasha Gerolami, Tomasz Mrozewski and Cheryl Recollet <b>Session Title:</b> Unlocking Court Materials: A Digital Repository for the Robinson Treaties Case	Fraser Building (FA-056)
	Session F	<b>Presenter:</b> Nicole Wemigwans <b>Session Title:</b> Anishinaabe Parenting: Responding to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action 10v, vi	Indigenous Sharing and Learning Centre Round Room
<b>12:00 pm – 1:00 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>		<b>Great Hall, R.D. Parker Building</b>



## DAY 3, JUNE 27 (Afternoon)

### KEYNOTE SPEAKER

#### Dr. SUSAN MANITOWABI

*Academic and Co-Founder of the Maamwizing Indigenous Research Institute*

#### Session Title: A Vision for Indigenous Education: I Have a Dream

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Auditorium, Fraser Building (FA-054)



2:00 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>Closing Prayer:</b> Elder Grace Fox  <b>CLOSING REMARKS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Laurentian University Vice-President and Provost, Dr. Brenda Brouwer</li><li>• Laurentian University Native Education Council Chair, Martin Bayer</li><li>• Laurentian University Associate Vice-President Academic, Indigenous Programs, Dominic Beaudry</li></ul>	Auditorium, Fraser Building (FA-054)
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