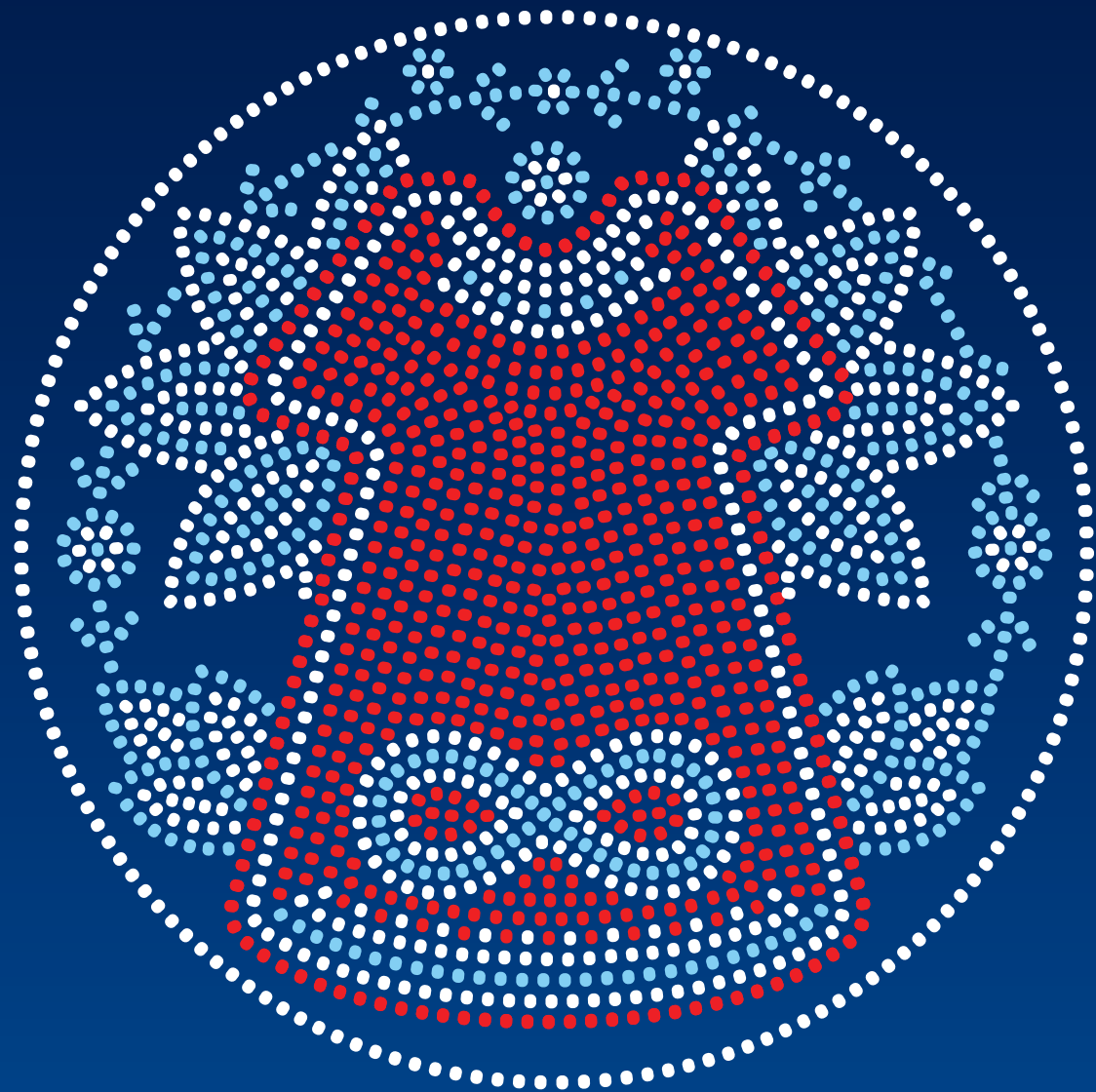


# Red Dress Day - May 5<sup>th</sup>

TO HONOUR MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN, GIRLS AND TWO-SPIRIT PERSONS.



May 5th, also known as Red Dress Day is National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two-Spirit People. A Red Dress ceremony will be held in acknowledgement of the thousands of Indigenous women, girls, and two-spirit people who have been missing or murdered, having faced life-threatening violence in Canada. The red dress has become a symbol of the disproportionate violence against Indigenous peoples and was originally inspired the REDress Project, an art installation of empty red dresses by the Métis artist Jaime Black.

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**MAY 5 & 6 AGENDA**



**MAY 5, 2023 - DAY 1**

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	Registration and Complimentary Breakfast
8:30 AM – 8:40 AM	Welcoming Statement & Land Acknowledgment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Wandering Métis - Jason McKay</li> </ul>
8:40 AM – 9:00 AM	Opening Prayer and Memorial to Honour Red Dress Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening Prayer - Elder Debbie Smith</li> <li>• Red Dress Presentation - Knowledge Keeper Louise Oelke</li> </ul>
9:00 AM – 9:20 AM	Greetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• President Glen McCallum, Métis Nation–Saskatchewan</li> <li>• President Cassidy Caron, Métis National Council (virtual)</li> </ul>
9:20 AM – 9:30 AM	Vice President’s opening address <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vice President Michelle LeClair, Métis Nation–Saskatchewan</li> </ul>
9:30 AM – 10:15 AM	Keynote Address Introduction by Conference Chair Dr. Kurtis Boyer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brenda Gunn, National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation</li> </ul>
10:15 AM – 10:45 AM	Health Break
10:45 AM – 11:15 AM	Keynote Presentation on Government of Canada Action Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Honourable David Lametti, Minister of Justice (virtual)</li> </ul>
11:15 AM – 12:00 PM	MN-S UNDRIP Position Paper Highlights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vice President Michelle LeClair, Métis Nation–Saskatchewan</li> </ul> Discussion and Q&A
12:00 noon – 1:00 PM	Lunch Luncheon Speaker: Thomas Isaac, Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fiddle music by Jordan Daniels and Joseph Desjarlais</li> </ul>
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	Lands, Resources and Water - Panel Panel Moderator: Dr. Allyson Stevenson Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Warren Boyer</li> <li>• Denise McKenzie</li> <li>• Gerald Morin</li> </ul> Discussion and Q&A

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Children, Education, Culture, and Language - Panel Panel Moderator: Marilyn Poitras Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daryl Basylak</li> <li>• Elder Norman Fleury</li> <li>• Faye Maurice</li> <li>• Marcel St. Onge</li> </ul> Discussion and Q&A
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	Health Break
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	Breakout Discussions and Feedback <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group 1 Land, Resources, and Water</li> <li>• Group 2 Child and Family Services</li> <li>• Group 3 Education</li> <li>• Group 4 Language</li> <li>• Group 5 Culture</li> <li>• Group 6 Harvesting</li> <li>• Group 7 Traditional Land Use</li> </ul>
4:30 PM – 4:45 PM	End of Day 1 Wrap Up <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Wandering Métis - Jason McKay</li> </ul>
5:00 PM	Evening Banquet and Gala <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Wandering Métis - Jason McKay</li> <li>• Entertainment - Bear Grease</li> </ul>

**MAY 6, 2023 - DAY 2**

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	Registration and Complimentary Breakfast
8:30 AM – 8:35 AM	Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Wandering Métis - Jason McKay</li> </ul>
8:35 AM – 9:00 AM	Report from UNDRIP Youth Conference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• President Autumn Laing-LaRose, Provincial Métis Youth Council</li> </ul>
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Building a Métis Court - Panel Panel Moderator: Brandon Macleod Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marilyn Poitras</li> <li>• Susan Shacter</li> </ul> Discussion and Q&A
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Health Break
10:30 AM – 12:00 noon	Panel on Health, Women, and Social Equity - Panel Panel Moderator: Monica Brunet Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Emily Grafton</li> <li>• Shirley Isbister</li> <li>• Melanie Omeniho</li> </ul> Discussion and Q&A
12:00 noon – 1:00 PM	Lunch Luncheon Speaker: Dr. Adam Gaudry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fiddle music by Jordan Daniels and Joseph Desjarlais</li> </ul>
1:00 PM – 2:30 PM	Panel on Métis Citizenship & Self Determination Panel Moderator: Dr. Kurtis Boyer Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jean Teillet</li> <li>• Richard Quintal</li> <li>• Dr. Angela Jaime</li> <li>• Knowledge Keeper Louise Oelke</li> </ul> Discussion and Q&A
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Closing Keynote Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leah Dorion “What does it mean to be Métis?”</li> </ul>
3:00 – 3:15 PM	End of Day 2 Wrap Up and Closing Prayer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Wandering Métis - Jason McKay</li> <li>• Elder Debbie Smith</li> </ul>

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