

Reconciliation: *Wahkohtowin* Conference Program

September 21 – 23, 2017

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2017
Art Gallery of Alberta - Edmonton

OPENING RECEPTION

5:00 p.m -
8:00 p.m.

6:15 p.m. - Introductory Remarks & Performances

MC: Jodi Stonehouse

- **Marilyn Buffalo**, Indigenous Cultural Advisor, Office of the Provost and Vice-President Academic
- **The Honourable Richard Feehan**, Minister of Indigenous Relations, Government of Alberta
- **Dean Paul Paton**, Faculty of Law
- **Adam Gaudry**, Faculty of Native Studies
- **Koren Lightning-Earle**, Indigenous Initiatives Liaison, Law Society of Alberta
- **Book Launch** – Wahkohtowin Project

Performance – The Hoop Ninja and James Jones

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2017

Edmonton Marriott at River Cree Resort- Enoch Nation, Alberta

BREAKFAST 8:00 a.m - 8:45 a.m.	
Introduction 8:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.	Opening Ceremony, Introduction & Welcome Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">Elder Irene MorinDean Paul Paton, Faculty of Law
<u>Opening Keynote</u> 9:15 a.m - 9:50 a.m	Lorena Fontaine (<i>University of Winnipeg</i>) Kwayeskastasowin (<i>Setting Things Right</i>) ᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦᑲᑦ
HEALTH BREAK 9:50 a.m - 10:00 a.m.	
Panel: Indigenous Legal Traditions and Wahkotowin 10:00 a.m - 11:00 a.m	<i>Wahkohtowin Concept</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Shalene Jobin and Matthew Wildcat (University of Alberta) <i>Recognizing Indigenous Legal Orders: Implications for Reconciliation</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Michael Coyle (University of Western Ontario) <i>Governance of Native Councils: Instances of Indigenous Lawmaking</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Jula Hughes (University of New Brunswick) <u>Chair: Hadley Friedland</u> (University of Alberta, Faculty of Law)
Wahkohtowin Learning & Practice Darcy Lindberg – <i>Wetaskiwin</i>	
NETWORKING AND HEALTH BREAK 11:00 a.m - 11:30 a.m.	
Panel: Territory & Jurisdiction 11:30 a.m - 12:30 p.m	<i>Indigenous Sovereignty and the Legality of Crown Sovereignty: An Unresolved Constitutional Conundrum</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Kent McNeil (Osgoode Hall, York University) <i>Colonialism, Community, and Custom: Indigenous Governance Inside and Outside Indian Act Elections</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mary Liston (University of British Columbia) <i>Constitutional Reconciliation: Jordan's Principle and the First Nations Child</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Colleen Sheppard (McGill University) <u>Chair: Catherine Bell</u> (University of Alberta, Faculty of Law)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2017 (cont'd)

LUNCH

12:30 p.m - 2:00 p.m

Keynote Address - Mark Walters, McGill University

Judicial Recognition of the “Laws of the Aborigines” in 1867

Panel: Treaties & Relations

2:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

The Trifecta of Métis Law: A Framework for Reconciliation with the Métis

- Karen Drake (Osgoode Hall, York University)
- Jason Madden (Pape Salter Teillet LLP)

Reconciling Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Law in Modern Treaties: Assessing Two Models

- Ghislain Otis (Université d'Ottawa)

The Ties That Liberate: A Theory of Relationality in Substantiating Indigenous Legal Obligations

- Alan Hanna (University of Victoria)

The Claims of the Indian Tribes to Compensation For Lands: Historical Realities and Legal Fallacies with the Transfer of the Hudson's Bay Company Territory, 1868-1870

- Frank Tough (University of Alberta)

Chair: Adam Gaudry (University of Alberta, Faculty of Native Studies)

NETWORKING AND HEALTH BREAK

3:15 p.m - 3:30 p.m.

Panel: Unsettling Reconciliation

3:30 p.m - 4:30 p.m.

Unsettling Constitutional Reconciliation: What of Queer Constitutional Futures?

- Emily Snyder (University of Saskatchewan)

To reconcile is to begin to decolonize western histories

- Judy Half (University of Calgary)

Unpacking the Conceptual Complexities of Constitutional Reconciliation

- Hannah Wyle (University of Ottawa)

Chair: Sean Robertson (University of Alberta, Faculty of Native Studies)

Wahkohtowin Learning and Practice

Tara Kappo – Beading

DINNER

6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Elder Irene Morin

Performance – Dallas Arcand Jr. - Hoop Dancer

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2017

BREAKFAST

8:30 a.m - 9:00 a.m.

Keynote Address
9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

Jean Leclair (*Université de Montréal*)
The Story of Constitutions, Constitutionalism and Reconciliation: A Work of Prose and/or Poetry?

HEALTH BREAK 9:45 a.m - 10:00 a.m.

Panel: Departures & Arrivals
10:00 a.m - 11:15 a.m

Mediated Relations: The Indian Act, the Politics of Ignorance, and Reconciliation

- Darcy Lindberg (University of Victoria)

The Study of Legal Plurality Outside 'Legal Pluralism': The Future of the Discipline?

- Maxime St-Hilaire (Université de Sherbrooke)

Demarcating Indigenous 'Traditional Knowledge' Through Neoliberal Quasi-Constitutional Modes of Governance

- Chasidy Alexis (University of the Basque Country)

Chair: Patricia Paradis (Centre for Constitutional Studies, Faculty of Law)

Wahkohtowin Learning and Practice

Renée Beausoleil – Photo Collaboration

NETWORKING AND HEALTH BREAK

11:00 a.m - 11:30 a.m.

Panel: Rethinking the Constitution
11:30 a.m - 12:30 p.m

The Crown Fiduciary Duty and Procedural Legitimation of Crown Sovereignty Under Section 35

- Ryan Beaton (University of Victoria)

Towards a Modern Theory of Section 35

- Ronald Stevenson (Department of Justice)

Please Give Us Some (Constitutional) Breathing Space

- Naiomi Metallic (Dalhousie University)

Chair: Eric Adams (University of Alberta, Faculty of Law)

LUNCH 12:30 p.m - 2:00 p.m

Closing Keynote - Maria Campbell - Métis Elder

Performance – Michael Fraser – The Buffalo Song