




National Indigenous Peoples' Day

Friday, June 19th - 1pm to 4pm

Link to [Private Zoom Room](#)

Schedule of Events

- 1:00pm - Opening Remarks with Special Guests**
Pow wow Dancers Shyama Priya and David Whitebean
 - 1:30pm - Hoop Dance Performance**
with Special Guest Jane Wylie
 - 1:45pm - Pow wow Dancing Lesson**
with Special Guests Shyama Priya and David Whitebean
 - 2:15pm - Story Telling**
with Local Kwantlen Storyteller Joseph Anthony Dandurand
 - 3:00pm - Metis Cultural Presentation**
with Local Métis Artist and Knowledge Keeper Lisa Shepherd
 - 3:20pm - Inuit Cultural Presentation**
with Inuvialuit Artist Inuk
 - 3:50pm - Closing Remarks**
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Special Guest Biographies

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Shyama Priya

Powwow Dancer



Shyama Priya began dancing as a teen, and has found that dance is a way to express your inner being and build confidence in one's self. She has been teaching Powwow in our district for three years-- teaching students of all ages how to dance and embrace their culture. Shyama is a world renowned Powwow dancer-- performing globally and most notably in The Vancouver 2010 Olympic Opening Ceremonies!

Lisa Shepherd

Local Métis Artist and Knowledge Keeper

Lisa Shepherd is an award winning Métis designer and artist of garments and fine pieces of artwork her which showcase her one-of-a-kind beading that pays tribute to her Métis roots. Lisa has been working with students in our district. teaching them about local medicinal plants, and traditional Métis beading this past year.

More information regarding Lisa and her work can be found at <https://www.lisashepherd.ca/>



Inuk

Inuvianluit Artist

Inuk was born and raised in the Northwest Territories and continues to reside there today! Since childhood, Inuk has wanted to become a fashion designer. Her artistic journey began in 1990, when she began to tuft caribou hair-- she was a natural. Inuk is known for her work to revive and successfully bring tufting back out of the shadows, even into a fine art category worldwide. With each Caribou hair tufting lesson and demonstration she is literally preserving a piece of the Northwest Territories heritage. Her works of art have been featured in countless exhibits including The National Art Gallery and the Indigenous Women's Leadership Summit.

Joseph Anthony Dandurand

Local Kwantlen Storyteller

Joseph Anthony Dandurand is a Kwantlen Nation community member, who resides in Fort Langley, BC. Joseph's poetry, plays, and short stories have been published in countless anthologies, and books alike. In the past year, Joseph has been working with teachers and students to bring to life his short stories and plays in meaningful ways, both in Maple Ridge- Pitt Meadows and Langley school districts.

