

Tenth Annual **Indigenous Awareness Weeks**



Agenda

September 13–24, 2021

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**Celebrating Excellence & Resilience:
Past, Present & Future**
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MONDAY
SEPT. 13

Opening

Otsi'tsaken:ra (Charles) Patton Kanien'kehá:ka Elder
from Kahnawa:ke

Welcome Remarks by Christopher Manfredi, Provost &
Vice-Principal (Academic)

Artistic Performances by Beatrice Deer and Craig Commanda

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TUESDAY
SEPT. 14

6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Virtual Round Table

United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
(UNDRIP)

Moderator:

- **Yann Allard-Tremblay**, PhD. Assistant Professor, Political Science at McGill University. (Huron-Wendat First Nation).

Panelists:

- **Eddie Cubillo**, Lawyer, Melbourne Law School, Australia. Associate Dean; Co-Director Indigenous Law & Justice Hub (Indigenous Programs); Senior Fellow (Indigenous) (Larrakia/Wadjigan & Central Arrente).
- **Sheryl Lightfoot**, PhD. University of British Columbia. Senior Advisor to the President on Indigenous Affairs; Canada Research Chair of Global Indigenous Rights and Politics; Associate Professor Political Science, School of Public Policy and Global Affairs, and First Nations and Indigenous Studies. (Anishinaabe / Ojibwe).
- **June L. Lorenzo**, Ph.D. in Justice Studies from Arizona State University and a J.D. from Cornell University USA. She also participated in negotiations for both the UNDRIP & the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. (Laguna Pueblo Navajo (Diné)).
- **Romeo Saganash**, Lawyer and politician, Former Member of Parliament 2011-2019. (Cree).

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WEDNESDAY
SEPT. 15

Virtual Medicinal Plant Walk at the Morgan Arboretum

(McGill University - Macdonald Campus) with Kanien'kehá:ka Knowledge Keeper, **Elaine Delaronde and Brooke Rice.**

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THURSDAY
SEPT. 16

4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

Health & Wellness Panel Discussion

Co-Moderators:

- **Richard Budgell**, Assistant Professor (Inuk - Nunatsiavut).
- **Alex McComber**, Assistant Professor, Department of Family Medicine (Kanien'kehá:ka).

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Guests:

- **Alex Allard-Gray**, BSc, Listuguj Mi'gmaq; Outreach Administrator, Indigenous Health Professions Program.
- **Tamara Hansen**, Inuk, Inuvik, Northwest Territories; MSc candidate (applied) in Nursing.
- **Codey Martin**, Mi'kmaq; BSW candidate, School of Social Work Wahéshon Shiann Whitebean, Kanien'keha:ka, Kahnawake; Vanier Scholar, PhD candidate in Educational Studies.

FRIDAY
SEPT. 17

4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

The Words Before All Else: The meaning of the Ohen:ton Karihwatehkwen.

With Kanien'kehá:ka Elders from Kahnawa:ke: **Otsi'tsaken:ra Patton and Niioie:ren Patton** (McGill Alumna).

Environment & Sustainability (Mother Earth & 7 Generations Principle)

with **Ka'nahsohon Kevin Deer**, (McGill Alumnus) Kanien'kehá:ka Faith Keeper, Kahnawa:ke.

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MONDAY
SEPT. 20

(This presentation will be in French.)

Introduction des plantes médicinales à la Reserve Naturelle Gault.

Promenade virtuelle avec le spécialiste Abénaki **Michel Durand Nolett.**

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TUESDAY
SEPT. 21

September 21 to 23

National Building Reconciliation Forum: Falling into Step with First Peoples students (An annual national Forum supported by Universities Canada with participants from post-secondary institutions and Indigenous communities working to create change and to advance reconciliation.

The 2021 pre-forum is hosted by Kiuna College, in Odanak, QC.

WEDNESDAY
SEPT. 22

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Day 1: National Building Reconciliation Forum: Falling into Step with First Peoples students.

Free registration on the event website

1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

52 Calls to Action and Indigenous Awareness Weeks

Presentation by McGill University

Workshop:

Raising Awareness among post-secondary institutions about the realities of First Peoples.

THURSDAY
SEPT. 23

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Day 2: National Building Reconciliation Forum: Falling into Step with First Peoples students.

Free registration on the event website

FRIDAY
SEPT. 24

First Peoples' House 2021 Virtual Pow Wow

Closing

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