

Welcome

Welcome Honoured Guests, Elders, Youth and Colleagues, who have come from many directions and different distances to this Forum on *Sharing the Land, Sharing a Future*.

Twenty years ago this month the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples put before governments and Canadians a bold new plan to renew the relationship between Aboriginal peoples and Canadian society. Recommendations carefully mapped the changes in knowledge, institutions and policy that were possible. The RCAP body of research and recommendations quickly disappeared from public view but the issues RCAP addressed did not disappear.

Calls to Action from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission underline the urgency of charting a better future guided by Indigenous knowledge and insightful research. This Forum, convened to mark the 20th Anniversary of the RCAP Report, will examine the current relevance of the RCAP legacy, the challenges before us, and the central importance of citizen engagement in achieving the fundamental change necessary to reconciliation.

Marlene Brant Castellano and Fred Wien

Co-chairs of the Oversight Committee

Sharing the Land, Sharing a Future

Agenda

Day 1

November 2, 2016

Mauro Hall, Caboto Centre
1055 Wilkes Avenue, Winnipeg

1:00 – 4:00 PM

Registration

1:00 – 4:00 PM

Youth Café - Hosted by 4Rs Youth Movement

Starting at 1:00 PM, the 4Rs Youth Movement invite all students and youth attending the Forum to an informal meet and greet. Food and light refreshments will be available.

4:00 – 7:00 PM

Day 2

November 3, 2016

Mauro Hall, Caboto Centre
1055 Wilkes Avenue, Winnipeg

- 7:30 – 8:30 AM **Breakfast and Registration**
- 8:30 – 8:45 AM **Opening and Announcements**
- 8:45 – 10:15 AM Sharing the Land: Perspectives on Nation to Nation
Kevin Hart, Manitoba Regional Vice-Chief, Assembly of First Nations, **Natan Obed**, President, Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami, **Clément Chartier**, President, Métis National Council.
Moderator: **David Newhouse**, Professor, Trent University
- 10:15 – 10:45 AM **Break**
- 10:45-12:15 PM Dialogue Session on Indigenous Communities in a New Relationship
Francyne Joe, President, Native Women's Association of Canada, **Erin Corston**, Executive Director, National Association of Friendship Centres, **Robert Bertrand**, National Chief, Congress of Aboriginal Peoples. Moderator: **David Newhouse**, Professor, Trent University
- 12:15 – 12:45 PM Launch of RCAP Publications, Testimony and Research
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Day 3

November 4, 2016

Mauro Hall, Caboto Centre
1055 Wilkes Avenue, Winnipeg

Moving to Action

The theme of activity on Day 3 will be to gather and focus learning, ideas and opportunities to advance reconciliation in three arenas accessible variously to participants: Individual, Institutional, and Policy

7:00 – 8:00 AM

Breakfast

8:00 – 8:30 AM

Speaker

Perry Bellegarde, National Chief, Assembly of First Nations

8:30 – 9:30 AM

Sharing Knowledge, Sharing a Future

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Background Papers by Theme

Nation to Nation

- Paper 1 Negotiating Nation-to-Nation Relations Over 400 Years - **Mark Dockstator**, President, First Nations University of Canada
- Paper 2 RCAP and a Nation-to-Nation relationship – **Frances Abele**, Carleton University, **Catherine McQuarrie**, Institute of Public Administration of Canada, **Satsan (Herb George)**, First Nations Centre on Governance
- Paper 3 Indigenous and Canadian Laws - **Dale Turner**, Dartmouth University (deferred)
- Paper 4 Health

Speaker and Author Biographies, RCAP 20 Forum - Day 1

David Barnard is President and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Manitoba. His career includes serving at the University of Regina as President and Vice-Chancellor (1998-2005) after being Vice-President (Administration) and Controller (1996 -1998). He previously spent 19 years at Queen's University where he was a Professor of Computing and Information Science and assumed several increasingly senior administrative roles, including Associate to the Vice-Principals Research, Human Services and Resources.

Jill Scott is the Vice-Provost (Teaching and Learning) and Professor in the Department of Languages, Literature and Cultures at Queen's University. She has been engaged in Indigenous studies since 2006, teaching and

Speaker and Author Biographies, RCAP 20 Forum - Day 2

Sharing the Land: Perspectives on Nation to Nation

Clément Chartier was elected President of the Métis National Council in 2003, and is currently serving his fourth-term. He is a lawyer, writer, lecturer and activist and has served in both political and administrative capacities with numerous Indigenous peoples organizations nationally and internationally. A seasoned political

David Newhouse is Onondaga from the Six Nations of the Grand River community near Brantford, Ontario. He was the first Principal of the new Peter Gzowski College at Trent University and Chair of the Department of Indigenous Studies. He served as founding editor of the *CANDO Journal of Aboriginal Economic Development*, the first peer-reviewed academic journal devoted to Aboriginal economic development issues. He is the past Chair and a current member of the Council for the Advancement of Native Development Officers (CANDO) Standing Committee on Education. He also served as a member of the Policy Team on Economics for RCAP. His research interests are focused on the way in which Aboriginal traditional thought and western thought are coming together and creating modern Aboriginal societies.

Launch of RCAP Publications, Testimony and Research

Normand Charbonneau is Assistant Deputy Minister and Chief Operating Officer at Library and Archives Canada since April 2015. He was Québec provincial archivist from 2012 to 2015. He taught at the Université du Québec in Montréal, and at Université Laval in Quebec City. He was also actively involved in the Association des archivistes du Québec (AAQ), the Canadian Council of Archives (CCA), the Association internationale des archivistes francophones (AIAF). He is presently Vice President at the International Council on Archives (ICA).

René Dussault was a judge of the Quebec Court of Appeal from 1989 to 2008. He co-chaired the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples (1991-1996). He obtained a Ph.D. in law from the London School of Economics and Political Science in 1965 and has published extensively. He served as founding President of the Office des professions and as Deputy Minister of Justice of Quebec. Throughout his career, René Dussault has been recognized, both in Quebec and Canada, for his achievements in the area of public administration and his outstanding contribution to the advancement of law, the legal profession on the promotion of equality.

Ry Moran is the Director of the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation located at the University of Manitoba. In addition to working with his team to build the Centre from the ground up, Ry continues to advocate for Survivors, truth and reconciliation with commentary in radio, print and television.

Gauri Sreenivasan

Paper 3 - Indigenous and Canadian Laws (deferred)

Dale Turner is a citizen of Temagami First Nation on Lake Temagami, Ontario. He is Associate Professor of Government and of Native American Studies at Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire. He is currently working on his second book, *Reveries of a Solitary Indian*.

Paper 4 - Health Law and Governance

Yvonne Boyer currently holds the Canada Research Chair in Aboriginal Health and Wellness and is a Professor of Native Studies at Brandon University; an adjunct professor at the Faculty of Law at the University of Ottawa and an adjunct professor at the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Manitoba. Dr. Boyer is a member of the Métis Nation of Ontario and owns Boyer Law Office, where she specializes in providing legal holistic services that blend mainstream law with Indigenous laws. With a background in nursing, she received her Doctorate of Laws from the University of Ottawa and has nearly 20 years of experience practicing law and publishing extensively on the topics of Aboriginal health and how Aboriginal and treaty law intersects on the health of First Nations, Metis and Inuit.

Josée Lavoie is a Professor in the Department of Community Health Sciences and Director of Manitoba First

Paper 6 - Resource sharing and Economic Well-Being

Wanda Wuttunee Charles is an internationally known professor and researcher in the field of Aboriginal Community Economic Development. Dr. Wuttunee is Professor in the Department of Native Studies at the University of Manitoba where she has played a critical role in training future Aboriginal leaders about economic issues for the benefit of their home communities, as well as the mainstream business community in working towards vibrant, sustainable and healthy communities. Dr. Wuttunee's research interests include Aboriginal economy, community economic development, social responsibility, and participatory research methodologies.

Paper 7 - Approaches to Community Development in First Nation Communities: Poverty Action Research Project

Jennifer Dockstator received a Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources from the University of Michigan and both a Master in Environmental Studies and a Ph.D. from York University. Her dissertation, *Widening the Sweetgrass Road: Re/Balancing ways of knowing for sustainable living with a Cree-Nishnaabe Medicine Circle*, reflects upon Western and Indigenous approaches to sustainability, grounded in the Cree-Nishnaabe Medicine Circle. Since receiving her doctorate, Jennifer has been working at the interface of First Nations communities and Western society, primarily with a remote community in northern Ontario. The community-driven project of which she is a part aims to work with First Nations to build upon their strengths, seeking ways to implement a strategy to address challenges, create a sustainable economic base, adhere to principles of environmental stewardship, and provide a foundation for community health and well-being.

Citizen Engagement

Paper 8 - Fostering Citizen Engagement in Indigenous/Non-Indigenous Relations

Lynne Davis is a settler Canadian and Associate Professor, Indigenous Studies 0.0064 Tc-0-4(t)-5()-24(S)-4(t3)-4(r)-2(e)

Paper 9 -

Powerful Communities, Healthy Communities

Paper 11 - Arts and Creativity

Jonathan Dewar is a senior advisor at Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada. He previously served as Director of the Shingwauk Residential Schools Centre and Special Advisor to the President, Algoma University; Director of Research, Aboriginal Healing Foundation; and Director of the Métis Centre, National Aboriginal Health.

Paper 12 - Health and the North (deferred)

Chris Furgal is an associate professor in the Indigenous Environmental Studies program with a cross appointment in the Departments of Indigenous Studies and Environmental and Resources Studies/Science at Trent University. He completed his Ph.D. in Environmental Studies/ T3H52 0 Td3N al St he . irn/thy-4()-397tfeete nlc

Moving to Action

Paper 16 - The Role of Research and Research Brokers in Reconciliation

Aaron Franks is a researcher, performer, geographer and dad. He worked in theatre from 1996 to 2006, and has degrees in Social Justice and Equity Studies (MA, Brock) and Human Geography (PhD, Glasgow). Since 2013 he has worked with the Centre for Environmental Health Equity (CEHE) and the Centre for Indigenous Research Creation (CIRC) at Queen's U

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