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Celebrating the Reintroduction of Bison to Banff National Park – December 11, 2017

Missing from the wild for over a century, 16 bison were successfully translocated to the Panther Valley in Banff National Park on February 1, 2017. Their homecoming is an ecological, historic and cultural triumph and coincides with the 150th anniversary of Canada's confederation. Join Karsten Heuer, Parks Canada's Bison Reintroduction Project Manager, and Bill Snow, the Stoney Tribal Administration's Consultation Manager, to learn more about this exciting initiative and hear behind-the-scenes stories, including the birth of calves this spring that are the first to be born in Banff's backcountry in 140 years!

Doors open at 11:45am.

Coffee, juice and snacks will be available and attendees are welcome and encouraged to bring a lunch.

Date: Monday, December 11, 2017 from 12:00 – 1:00 pm

Location: John Dutton Theatre – Calgary Central Library, 616

Macleod Trail S.E., Calgary, AB

For More information & to register:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/celebrating-the-reintroduction-of-bison-to-banff-national-park-tickets-40901766284?aff=efbeventix>

Our Purpose

The Hillhurst Right Relations Circle is a dynamic group of people who are actively striving to live out the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action, and build respectful relationships with Aboriginal peoples. Our group is diverse in exposure, understanding and learning about what right relations can be and as we learn together, our activities unfold. This newsletter is to keep everyone updated on upcoming activities, events and meetings of interest in the area of right relations. It is a networking process from which we all benefit. We are finding more and more Indigenous cultural projects, events, ceremonies, plays films, and speakers to inform our email list. It is what we are called to do and be.



Dreamcatcher Workshop – December 16, 2017

We will begin with a traditional smudge and welcome to bless our Dreamcatchers. Chantal will be your guide, instructing how to create your Dreamcatcher step by step. She will also share a Dreamcatcher story and the deeper meaning behind the legend.

History of the Dreamcatcher

Dreamcatchers are a traditional aboriginal craft found predominantly in Lakota, Ojibwa, Navaho and Cree culture. The weaving catches the bad dreams and nightmares entangling them within the web. The good dreams to flow through the web and slide down to the feathers to the dreamer. In the Morning, the bad dreams and nightmares entangled in the web evaporate in the sunlight, just as drops of dew on a spider's web. The feathers take the hopes and dreams on the wings of the bird's spirits to creator.



Date: Saturday, December 16, 2017 from 1:00 - 6:00 pm

Location: Vivo, 11950 Country Village Link, N.E., Calgary, AB

Cost: \$30/person for instruction and materials

For More Information and to register: http://www.cree8.ca/dreamcatcher_dec2017

Medicine Wheel Teachings & Medicine Bag Workshop – December 17, 2017

Cree8 will be hosting a Medicine Wheel Teachings & Medicine Bag Workshop.

Materials:

The Four Sacred Medicines - Sweetgrass, Cedar, Sage and Cansasa (Red Willow Bark in Place of Tobacco)

Deer, Moose, Elk or Buffalo Hide for the Bags

Suede or Leather Lacing

Bone or Antler Beads for Button Closure

Sinew for Stitching



Date: Sunday, December 17, 2017 from 1:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Vivo, 11950 Country Village Link, N.E., Calgary, AB.

Cost: \$40 for workshop to cover cost of materials and construction.

For More Information and to register: http://www.cree8.ca/medicine_teachings_dec2017

Elders Summit – Winter Solstice Dinner – December 21, 2017

A gathering focused on honouring our Elders and continuing connections between Indigenous youth, Elders and traditional growth.

This dinner will celebrate Winter Solstice and continue creating space for youth and Elder's to develop meaningful and lasting relationships.

Date: Thursday, December 21, 2017 from 5:00 – 7:30 pm

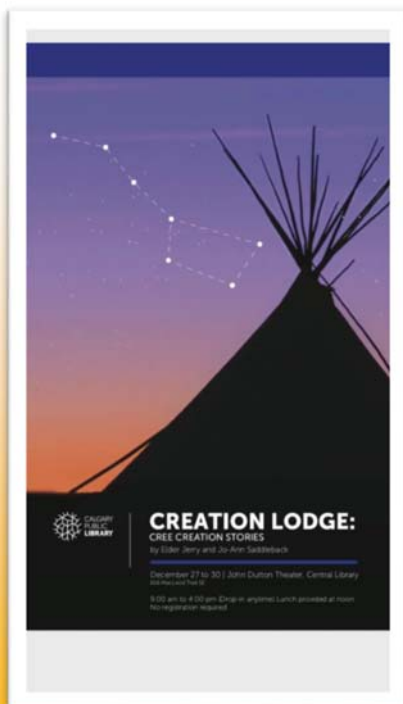
Location: Mahmawi-atoskiwin, #100, 2323 – 32nd Ave. N.E., Calgary, AB

RSVP is required. Limited Seating available. Register by December 17th.

Please register by contacting BGCC Lodge at (403) 235-5722 or call Jessica at (403) 620-4103.



Creation Lodge with Elder Jerry Saddleback – December 27 - 30, 2017



Listen to Cree creation stories from Elder Jerry Saddleback. Free event. Everyone welcome.

Drop in anytime. Lunch provided.

Date: Wednesday, December 27, 2017 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Thursday, December 28, 2017 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday, December 29, 2017 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Saturday, December 30, 2017 from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Location: Central Library, John Dutton Theatre, 616 Macleod Trail S.E., Calgary, AB

For more information:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1590293620993566/>

Cree Grandmother's Tea Ceremony – January 16, 2018

The Native Centre invites you to honour our ancestors and the women in our lives! Celebrate our strength as women and our important roles in our community with a traditional Cree Tea Ceremony involving song, drumming and prayer. Bring or wear a long skirt, a blanket, and perhaps a cushion to sit on the floor. Facilitated by Kerrie Moore at The Native Centre.

Date: Tuesday, January 16, 2018 - 12:00pm to 2:00pm

Location: Firmatas B, Vitruvian Space, Basement – Dining Centre, University of Calgary

For more information and to RSVP, please call The Native Centre (403) 220-6034



2018 Friendship Round Dance – January 20, 2018

Join Pathways/Miskanawah for a traditional feast, drumming, dancing, and more!

MC's: Hal Eagletail & Daniel Wildman - Stickman: Farley Cardinal
50/50 and raffle items available!
Event open to all ages and free of charge!.



Date: Saturday, January 20, 2018 – 5:00pm

Location: Genesis Centre, 7555 Falconridge Blvd. N.E., Calgary, AB

For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1968449186711064/>

Indigenous Voices: Inspired Stories of Hope – February 6 – 27, 2018

Gather with us to witness stories of hope and resilience through family and community bonds, rooted in ancestral wisdom and love.

Explore these questions with us:

- How are the whispers and footsteps of the ancestors being honoured and celebrated in communities?
- How do we walk together holding hope in this time of Truth & Reconciliation?

Facilitator: Various local Indigenous families and Elders

Date: Tuesday, February 6, 13, 20 & 27, 2018 from 6:00 – 8:30 pm

Location: McGivney Hall, St. Mary's University, 14500 Bannister Rd. S.E, Calgary, AB

Cost: \$150/person/series

For More Information & to register: <https://www.stmu.ca/event/indigenous-voices-inspired-stories-hope/>



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