

National Gathering on Unmarked Burials: The Release of an Indigenous-led Reparations Framework



Office of the Independent
Special Interlocutor
for Missing Children and Unmarked
Graves and Burial Sites associated
with Indian Residential Schools

AGENDA

Tuesday, October 29th

Time	Event	Location
7:00 am	Lighting of the Sacred Fire	Terrace
8:00 - 9:15 am	Registration Opens Buffet Breakfast	Foyer A Foyer A
9:15 - 10:00 am	Gathering Co-Chair: Kyra De La Ronde, Red River Métis, MB Welcome Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Big Drum ▪ Opening Prayer ▪ Lighting of Qulliq ▪ Empty Chair Ceremony ▪ Spirit Dish Offering 	Mozart Ballroom
10:00 - 10:15 am	Welcome to the Territory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg 	Mozart Ballroom
10:15 am	Wellness Break	Foyer A
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Remarks by Kimberly Murray, Independent Special Interlocutor Video Honouring Ceremony of Survivor and Youth Panelists	Mozart Ballroom
12:00 - 1:00 pm	Lunch Registration for Release of Framework	Foyer A Theatre du Casino Foyer

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Time	Event	Location
1:00 - 3:00 pm	<p>Delivery of an Indigenous-led Reparations Framework by Kimberly Murray, Independent Special Interlocutor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Remarks by The Honourable Arif Virani, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada ▪ Cultural Healing Ceremony ▪ Cultural Performance <p>Moderator Donald E. Worme, Q.C., I.P.C., Senior Partner, Semaganis Worme Legal</p>	Theatre du Casino
3:00 pm	Wellness Break	Foyer A
3:15 - 4:15 pm	Interactive Breakout Sessions	
	Session 1: Survivors Sharing Circle, National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR)	Suzor-Cote
	Session 2: Healing Sessions led by Knowledge Keepers	Theatre du Casino
	Session 3: Healing Sessions led by Knowledge Keepers	Terrace (Sacred Fire)
	Session 4: Healing Sessions led by Knowledge Keepers	Delfosse
6:00 - 8:00 pm	<p>Dinner Chair: Stephanie Nirlungayuk, Tunngasugit Inuit</p> <p>Opening Song</p> <p>Remarks: OSI Youth</p> <p>Keynote: Leah Gazan, NDP MP, Winnipeg Centre, MB</p> <p>Performance : Aysanabee, Singer-Songwriter, Sandy Lake First Nation, ON</p>	Mozart Ballroom

Wednesday, October 30th

Time	Event	Location
7:00 am	Opening Ceremony	Mozart Ballroom
7:45 - 8:45 am	Breakfast	Foyer A
8:45 - 9:00 am	Remarks by Gathering Chair Donald E. Worme, Q.C., I.P.C. , Senior Partner, Semaganis Worme Legal	Mozart Ballroom
9:00 - 10:00 am	Remarks by National Indigenous Leadership	Mozart Ballroom
10:00 am	Wellness Break	Foyer A
10:15 - 11:30 am	<p>Panel Discussion: Addressing Denialism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Kukpi7 Rosanne Casimir, Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation, BC ▪ Dr. Sean Carleton, Historian and Indigenous Studies Scholar, University of Manitoba ▪ Ben Rowswell, Convenor, the Remembering Project <p>Moderator Tanya Talaga, Canadian Journalist and Author</p>	Mozart Ballroom
11:30 am - 12:00 pm	<p>Presentation: Protecting Our Ancestors Conference Final Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Grand Chief Garrison Settee, Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak (MKO), MB ▪ Councillor Melissa Hotain, Sioux Valley Dakota Nation, MB 	Mozart Ballroom
12:00 - 1:00 pm	Lunch	Foyer A

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Time	Event	Location
1:00 - 2:30 pm	<p>Panel Discussion: Enforced Disappearances and Settler Amnesty</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dr. Mark Kersten, Assistant Professor Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of the Fraser Valley ▪ Ovide Mercredi, O.C., O.M., Lawyer and Indigenous leader ▪ Fannie Lafontaine, Canada Research Chair in International Criminal Justice and Human Rights <p>Facilitator Dr. Beverly Jacobs, C.M., LL.B., LL.M., Senior Advisor to the President on Indigenous Relations and Outreach, University of Windsor</p>	Mozart Ballroom
2:30 - 3:00 pm	<p>Closing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Empty Chair Ceremony 	Mozart Ballroom

Map of Venue

