

1st INDIGENOUS WOMEN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE 2024

March 8 & 9, 2024 - Fairmont Queen Elizabeth Hotel Montreal, QC

Breakfast from 8:00 am to 8:45 am in the Ballroom

DAY 1		
Time	PROGRAM	Friday, March 8, 2024
9:00 AM	Master of Ceremonies Opening	Opening by Master of Ceremonies, Kathy Shecapio, Executive Director of Aanischaaukamikw Cree Culture Institute
9:05 AM	Ceremonial Prayer	Mohawk Elder Konwatsitsawi M. Meloche - Kahnawake
9:10 AM	Opening Remarks	Opening by Grand Council of the Crees (Eeyou Istchee)/ Cree Nation Government, Grand Chief Mandy Gull-Masty
9:20 AM	Welcoming and Acknowledgement	Welcome Message by Mohawk Council of Kahnawake Grand Chief Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer
9:30 AM	Keynote Speaker	Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, Manon Jeannotte
9:45 AM	Health Break	10 minutes
10:00 AM	Panel 1 at Place du Canada	<p>#1 Collaboration and Relationship-Building Panel Discussions 1H30MINS</p> <p>Presenting the panel: Kathy Shecapio Moderator: Christine Petawabano Summary of Panel: Kathy Shecapio</p> <p>Panelists</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Chief Kahsennenhawe Sky-Deer, Mohawk Council • Grand Chief Mandy Gull-Masty, GCCEI-CNG • Grand Chief Savanna McGregor, Algonquin Anishinabeg Tribal Council • President Marjolaine Etienne, Quebec Native Women
12:00	Lunch & Networking	Keynote Address, Assembly of First Nations National Chief Cindy Woodhouse Nepinak
1:00 PM	WORKSHOPS	WORKSHOPS
	Conference Room: Viger	1. Women's Leadership – Raymonde Levesque and Jolianne Ottawa, HEC Montreal First Nations Executive Education
	Conference Room: Duluth	2. Communication and Media – Shushan Bacon, Reporter, Host and Interim Producer of National News of APTN
	Conference Room: Laurier	3. The Peace Medicine of a Leader: A compassionate walk and talk in honoring the dignity and humanity of our Nations – Nicole Charron, Viviane Snowboy and Vivianne Sheshamush, Canadian Institute for Conflict Resolution and Cree Nation Government, Department of Justice and Correctional Services
3:50 PM	Health Break	10 minutes

4:00 PM	Panel 2 at Place du Canada	#2 Pathways to Leadership Panel Discussions 1H30MINS Presenting the panel: Kathy Shecapio Moderator: Christine Petawabano Summary of panel: Kathy Shecapio Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Chief Cindy Woodhouse, Assembly of First Nations • Grand Chief Mandy Gull-Masty, GCCEI-CNG • Chairperson Sarah Pash, Cree School Board • President Charlotte Ottereyes-Ratt, CWEIA
5:30 PM	Closing	Wrap -up
7:30 PM	Banquet	Women Networking Event – Women's International Day

Self-Care Appointments will happen throughout the conference.

DAY 2		
TIME	PROGRAM	Saturday, March 9, 2024
9:00 AM	Master of Ceremony Opening	Opening by Master of Ceremonies, Kathy Shecapio, Executive Director of Aanischaaukamikw Cree Culture Institute
9:05 AM	Welcoming Remarks	Cree Women of Eeyou Istchee Association President Charlotte Ottereyes-Ratt
9:15 AM	Cultural Teachings at Place du Canada	Gookumnouch Advisory Paatakasuun Cultural Teachings 1. The Role of a Women – by Gookumnuuch Elder Irene B. House
10:30 AM	Health Break	10 minutes
10:40 AM	Cultural Teachings at Place du Canada	2. What are the values a woman carries? By Gookumnuuch Elder Irene B. House
12:00 PM	LUNCH & NETWORKING	Networking Lunch – Research Announcements
1:00 PM	WORKSHOPS	WORKSHOPS
	Conference Room: Viger	1. Perfect your pitch: How to weave a compelling narrative – Gaëtan Namouric and Alexandra Ambrose, HEC Montreal First Nations Executive Education
	Conference Room: Laurier	2. The Peace Medicine of a Leader: A compassionate walk and talk in honoring the dignity and humanity of our Nations – Nicole Charron, Viviane Snowboy and Vivianne Sheshamush, Canadian Institute for Conflict Resolution and Cree Nation Government, Department of Justice and Correctional Services

<p>3:50 PM</p> <p>4:00 PM</p>	<p>Conference Room: Duluth</p> <p>Conference Room: Van Horne</p> <p>Health Break</p> <p>Panel 3 at Place du Canada</p>	<p>3. How to Defend Yourself – Melissa Montour</p> <p>4. Networking Essentials – CWEIA, Tina Mark-Ottereyes, Julie Ann Cooper and Chantal Hamelin (3hrs)</p> <p>10 minutes</p> <p>#3 Cultural Wisdom in Leadership: Balancing Tradition and Innovation Panel Discussions 1H30MINS Introduction by Gookumnuuch Elder: Irene B. House Presenting the panel: Kathy Shecapio Moderator: Christine Petawabano Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Daisy House, Cree Nation of Chisasibi • Chief Christina Gilpin, Cree Nation of Wemindji • Chief Greta W. Cheechoo, Cree Nation of Waskaganish • Chief Annie Mapachee-Salt, Cree Nation of Washaw Sibi
<p>6:00 PM</p>	<p>Highlights of the event</p> <p>Closing</p> <p>Closing prayer</p>	<p>Master of Ceremony, Kathy Shecapio</p> <p>Closing remarks – Grand Chief Mandy Gull-Masty and President of CWEIA, Charlotte Ottereyes-Ratt</p> <p>Gookumnuuch Elder, Maria Kawapit</p>

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