

# A TRI-ACADEMY PARTNERSHIP INDIGENOUS ENGAGEMENT: A RESEARCH SUMMIT ON CULTURAL HERITAGE IN AN ERA OF RECONCILIATION

NOVEMBER 4-6, 2024 | VANCOUVER, CANADA



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MONDAY, 4 NOVEMBER 2024		
6:00 pm	Opening Reception	
TUESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER 2024		
6:30 am	Breakfast Opens	
8:00 am	Opening Remarks	
9:00 am	OPENING KEYNOTE   Challenges and Opportunities in the International Decade of Indigenous Languages	
	Commissioner Ronald E. Ignace, Commissioner of Indigenous Languages	
9:40 am	Discussion	
10:10 am	Break	
10:20 am	PANEL   The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Indigenous Engagement, and the future of the Academy	
	Moderator	Malcolm King, FRSC, Scientific Director, Saskatchewan Centre for Patient Oriented Research, University of Saskatchewan
	Panelists	Tom Calma, Fellow of The Senate, The University of Sydney
		Kiera Ladner, Distinguished Professor & Canada Research Chair, University of Manitoba
Leonie Pihama, FRSNZ, Associate Professor, University of Waikato		
11:15 am	Discussion	
12:00 pm	Lunch & Learn   <b>Royally Wronged: The Royal Society of Canada and Indigenous Peoples</b>	
	In this discussion moderated by RSC College President Frank Deer, the editors of <i>Royally Wronged: The Royal Society of Canada and Indigenous Peoples</i> reflect upon the findings, aspirations and origins of the book in Cindy Blackstock's (FRSC) and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Calls to Action for institutional reckoning. Written primarily by current RSC members, <i>Royally Wronged</i> dives deep into the RSC's history to learn why academia has more often been an aid to colonialism than a force against it, posing difficult questions about what is required to move meaningfully toward a better future for Canada, for the RSC, and for other academic societies. Joining the conversation is Coast Salish artist and lawyer Shain Jackson whose Golden Eagle Rising adorns the cover of the book.	
	Moderator	Frank Deer, President, College of the RSC
	Panelists	Constance Backhouse, Professor of Law, University of Ottawa
		Margaret Kovach, Professor in the Department of Educational Studies, University of British Columbia
Cynthia Milton, Professor of History, University of Victoria		
Adele Perry, Centre for Human Rights Research, University of Manitoba		
1:30 pm	Break	
2:00 pm	Cultural Outing   Talaysay Tours, Stanley Park, Shuttle at 2:00 pm	
Starts at 3:00 pm	...For thousands of years, our Coast Salish peoples have thrived in harmony with the land, cultivating a deep understanding of its natural resources and fostering rich cultural traditions. Our stories, languages, and practices are intricately woven into the fabric of the region, offering a profound connection to the natural world...	
6:00 pm	Evening Reception & Dinner	



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6:30 am	<i>Breakfast Opens</i>	
8:00 am	<b>Opening Remarks</b>	
8:15 am	<b>PANEL   Indigenous Engagement and the Future of the Academy: Acting Now for Future Generations</b>	
	<b>Moderator</b>   <b>Marie Battiste</b> , FRSC, Senior Mi'kmaw Professor Emeritus, University of Saskatchewan	
	<b>Panelists</b>	<b>Ray Lovett</b> , Associate Director, Yadhura Walani Centre at the National Centre for Epidemiology and Population Health, Australian National University (ANU)
		<b>Tahu Kukutai</b> , FRSNZ, Co-Director and Professor, Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga and University of Waikato
	<b>Jaris Swidrovich</b> , Assistant Professor, Teaching Stream, and Indigenous Engagement Lead, University of Toronto	
9:15 am	<b>Discussion</b>	
10:00 am	<b>Working Groups</b>	
11:30 am	<b>Working Group Readouts and Discussion</b>	
12:30 pm	<b>Lunch &amp; Learn   Leadership of Indigenous Peoples in Academic Institution Evolution and Program Decision Making</b>	
	This session explores the perspectives of Indigenous Peoples in the sciences, social sciences, humanities, and other areas of scholarly endeavour and how they may contribute to our shared journey toward reconciliation. Essential to this reconciliatory journey is the leadership of Indigenous Peoples in academic institution evolution and program decision making. This panel will feature representatives from universities in Western Canada who will describe how they have partnered with Indigenous Peoples to support their right to participate in decision making in areas of importance for them, including academic governance, institution building, land stewardship, and retention of Indigenous languages.	
2:00 pm	<b>CLOSING KEYNOTE   Surveying where we have been and where we are going: The future of Indigenous Engagement in the Academy. A passing of the torch!</b>	
	<b>Carwyn Jones</b> , FRSNZ, Head Lecturer, Māori Laws and Philosophy programme, Te Wānanga o Raukawa	
2:40 pm	<b>Discussion</b>	
3:30 pm	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	
4:00 pm	<b>Event Concludes</b>	

