SOUTH ISLAND POWWOW 2023

SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 • ROYAL ATHLETIC PARK
1014 CALEDONIA AVE, VICTORIA, BC
The City of Victoria is honoured to partner with the Songhees Nation on National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to welcome you all to the

SOUTH ISLAND POWWOW

WHERE TRADITION AND CULTURE COME ALIVE

The City of Victoria is located on the homelands of the Songhees and Esquimalt People.
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# SONGHEESES NATION

**CHIEF**
Ron Sam

**COUNCILLORS**
Jackie Albany
Garry Albany
Norman Garry Sam
Karen Tunkara
Margaret Charlie

**HEAD STAFF**
Sage Hills Host Drum
Blackfish Host Drum
Francis James Master of Ceremonies
Jeff Underwood Whipman
Ian Sam Head Male Dancer
Shelly Black Head Female Dancer
At the University of Victoria, we respect the rights of one another and strive to be in right relationship with all things. We’re helping to move each other forward. Join us.
After the overwhelming success of our inaugural event, we are excited to welcome everyone back to celebrate the second annual South Island Powwow: Where Tradition and Culture Come Alive. Hosted on National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, also known as Orange Shirt Day, the South Island Powwow is not only an opportunity to gather and share Indigenous cultures but also a day to make space to recognize Survivors and their families.

Today we dance for the ones who never made it home and the ones who still feel the effects of colonization to this day. Today we set aside our differences for celebration, education, and presentation of our resiliency.

We hope everyone enjoys the day filled with dancing, drumming, teachings, food and art- with an open mind and open heart.

On behalf of Songhees Nation Chief and Council, thank you for joining us on this important day of National Truth and Reconciliation.

hayxʷəqə
Na'Tsa'Maht

September 30 is a day of deep meaning. Today, we reflect on the culture and resiliency of the lək̓ʷəyən (Lekwungen) People, known today as the Songhees Nation and Xwsepsum (Esquimalt) Nation. We celebrate their traditions and stand in solidarity and friendship with the Nations and their members on National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Photo: Na'Tsa'Maht, the Unity Wall at The Breakwater District at Ogden Point. Artwork by Butch Dick, Songhees Nation.
10:00 AM
GATES OPEN

10:30 AM
LEKWUNGEN DANCERS
PADDLE WELCOME & PRAYER

11:00 AM
NEW MEMBERS JOINING THE POWWOW
SPONSORED BY SONGHEES NATION LEADERSHIP

11:45 AM
DRUM ROLL CALL

12:00 PM
GRAND ENTRY

MOMENT OF SILENCE

OPENING COMMENTS:
SONGHEES NATION LEADERSHIP
MAYOR MARIANNE ALTO
SONGHEES NATION ELDERS

INTERTRIBAL

12:50 PM
WORDS FROM VICTORIA ORANGE SHIRT DAY

1:00 PM
NUU-CHAH-NULTH DANCE GROUP

INTERTRIBAL

CATEGORY DANCE

3:00 PM
YOUTH RECOGNITION DANCE
SPONSORED BY SONGHEES NATION LEADERSHIP

CATEGORY DANCE

4:00 PM
METIS NATION FIDDLER GROUP

4:00 PM
CARRIED GENAILLE HOOP DANCER

5:00 PM
DINNER BREAK

6:00 PM
GRAND ENTRY

INTERTRIBAL

CATEGORY DANCE

7:00 PM
MMIWG+ PRAYER DANCE
SPONSORED BY SOUTH ISLAND POWWOW COMMITTEE

INTERTRIBAL

CATEGORY DANCE

12:00 AM
RETIRE COLOURS AT MIDNIGHT
Chikawich and Tliwaynung, located at Beach Drive by Kitty Islet, one of 8 Cairns installed throughout Oak Bay, designed by Charles Elliot of the Tsartlip Nation.

We acknowledge and respect that the land on which the Oak Bay Beach Hotel and Oak Bay Tourism is located are the traditional territories of the Coast and Straits Salish Peoples. Specifically, we recognize the Lekwungen peoples known today as the Songhees and Esquimalt First Nations, and that their historic connections to these lands continue to this day.
A desire to understand our full history and take action toward right relations
FOR YOUR INFORMATION
SOUTH ISLAND POWWOW

- Respect and be kind to everyone around you. This day can bring up previous trauma and emotions for many people. It is imperative our volunteers are respectful, understanding, patient, and tactful with every person they interact with.

- Shower facilities: Showers are available for dancers in the underground changing rooms.

- Parents, please watch your children!

- Please do not disturb: Dancers will often leave their blankets or seats, please respect this and do not remove any articles if they are left on the grass or seats.

- Reserved seating: The bleachers that are marked specifically for elders are just that. Please respect signage.

- This is an alcohol and drug-free event, with consumption enforced by security.

- First aid is located at the medical tent found by home plate. Harm reduction and security will also be available on-site for de-escalation.

- Songhees Nation and the City of Victoria will not be held responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged articles or injuries.

- Photo taking: There are appropriate times and places to take photographs, please be mindful of those around you and the ceremony taking place.

- Pets: No animals are permitted in the park. Certified service dogs are welcome.

Wishing the Songhees Nation a successful Powwow

The Butchart Gardens
butchartgardens.com
250-652-5256
Thank you to everyone involved in the 2023 South Island Powwow for this opportunity to celebrate traditional Indigenous cultures and resiliency.

Sidney by the sea
Boozhoo, Anilin! The 60s Scoop Legacy of Canada is again proud to support the South Island Powwow hosted by Songhees Nation and the City of Victoria.

The Sixties Scoop was an era from about the early 1950s to the mid 1980s where Canadian governments and churches forcibly removed thousands of Indigenous children from their families and communities to be adopted and placed with non-Indigenous parents in an effort to erase their identities and assimilate them into white Christian society. In 1967, Saskatchewan developed the Adopt Indian Métis program that advertised Indian children for adoption in newspaper and radio ads, as well as television commercials; Alberta, Manitoba, and British Columbia also developed similar programs. To this day, many Survivors remain displaced in the United States, Australia, New Zealand, Germany, and the United Kingdom.

Countless Sixties Scoop Survivors also have parents, grandparents, brothers, sisters, aunties, uncles and cousins who were forced to attend Indian Residential Schools. The ongoing discoveries of unmarked graves are a devastating reminder of the legacy and the long-lasting trauma of Residential Schools, the Sixties Scoop, and more.

Today, we take another step to fulfilling Call to Action #80 - a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to honour Survivors, their families, and communities, and ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process. We invite all Canadians to reflect and learn more about the long-lasting effects of Residential Schools, Day Schools, the Sixties Scoop, and Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, and 2Spirit Peoples.

We thank Songhees Nation for hosting this event and for inviting the larger community in a day of unity, and we thank Survivor Phyllis Webstad for pioneering the Orange Shirt Day movement. We hope you have a successful celebration of Indigenous culture, resilience, and kinship.

Chil milgwitch,
Katherine Strongwind
Founder, Director, and Spokesperson
60s Scoop Legacy of Canada

The Indigenous Prosperity Centre is proud to support the remarkable efforts and work that has taken place in bringing the second annual South Island Powwow to fruition.

Connection through collaboration

Subscribe to the Indigenous Prosperity Centre newsletter to stay connected and informed on Indigenous news throughout Southern Vancouver Island.
United Way Southern Vancouver Island is proud to be a supporter of the South Island Powwow.

We thank the Lək̓ʷəŋən People for welcoming us to their territories for this extraordinary event, and honour and celebrate the resilience and strength of Indigenous cultures and communities.

We are united with you.

United Way Southern Vancouver Island

Donate at uwsvi.ca

Oak Bay Marine Group is pleased to support the Songhees Nation in hosting the 2022 South Island Powwow.

‘Salish Sea’ by Chris Paul of Tsartlip Nation

Oak Bay Marine Group respects and acknowledges the Lək̓ʷəŋən Peoples on whose traditional territory it operates.
JFK Law represents Indigenous communities throughout Canada. We work with our clients to advance their Nations, protect their rights and build their economies.

Driven by a passion for justice, we offer creative legal solutions and work towards meaningful change.

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*Using the courts strategically to advance your Aboriginal & Treaty Rights*

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*Helping build strong, sustainable communities*

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Please note that our vendors range from individual members of our community, and non-profit organizations to established businesses. We appreciate your patience and support!

Some vendors will accept cash, while others may be cashless. An ATM is available on-site should you need it.

Please note these are subject to change without notice.
NATIONAL DAY FOR Truth and Reconciliation

We honour the Survivors and the children who never returned home from residential schools.

We honour their families and communities.

The Township of Esquimalt acknowledges with respect that we are within the Traditional Territories of the Esquimalt and Songhees First Nations.

esquimalt.ca/Indigenous
COMMITTED TO COLLABORATING WITH LOCAL INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES TO SUPPORT ECONOMIC RECONCILIATION

On National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, Seaspan is honoured to support the South Island Powwow. We join members from the Songhees Nation in support of those impacted by the residential school system and to celebrate traditional Indigenous cultures and resiliency.
BCLC is grateful to join you in this celebration of Indigenous culture and resiliency. On this National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, BCLC stands with you in honouring Survivors, their families and communities affected by the traumatic legacy of residential schools.

BCLC is at the beginning of its journey towards reconciliation. We are committed to working collaboratively with Indigenous Peoples and fostering equitable relationships with Indigenous partners.
HÍSWĶE/ Thank you for the opportunity to support the South Island Powwow

Chazz Elliott (TEMOSENG)

Central Saanich

Located on the traditional territory of the WSÁNEĆ peoples.
# Shuttle Schedule

**South Island Powwow**

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Rock Bay is located at 2100 Government Street.

Please note that the last shuttle departs at 10:00 PM, so plan your transportation accordingly. Enjoy the South Island Powwow!

Understand that traffic and road conditions may influence schedule. Please be patient and kind. These times are subject to change.
Métis Nation British Columbia (MNBC) is honoured to part-take in the Songhees Powwow 2023. MNBC respects the inherent rights and treaty rights of First Nations in British Columbia and is committed to positive and respectful relations.

Across the nation and through our prayers and our actions we remember all our children and survivors of the residential school system.

MNBC is committed to working with First Nations to address shared challenges, inequities and priorities to uplift all Indigenous people in a good way.

We wish Songhees Nation a successful And harmonious South Island Powwow.

Marsii.

“Residential schools and their history remain an open wound in Indigenous communities across this country. While painful, uncovering the truth remains vital for reconciliation”

- MNBC President Lissa Smith

#StrongerTogether
Rifflandia Entertainment Company is committed to restorative reciprocity with the Nations. We recognize, with gratitude, the untold benefits of living and working on the unceded, traditional territories of the lək̓ʷəŋən People, known today as the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations.

Rifflandia is a proud supporter of the South Island Powwow.
Destination Greater Victoria is honoured to support the 2023 South Island Powwow.
We acknowledge the harm done, the lives lost and the ongoing intergenerational trauma as a result of removing Indigenous children from their families and forcing them to attend residential schools.

Thank you to all the Indigenous leaders who are showing us how we can walk together in new ways.

On September 30, we honour those who were lost and the survivors, families and communities who continue to grieve and deal with trauma caused by residential schools.

In the spirit of reconciliation, we extend support and good wishes to all individuals and nations participating in the South Island Powwow.
Our name represents the Kamloops area, Tk'emlúps known to the Secwépemc people as "where the rivers meet" and where we make our home.

Sage Hills formed in the winter of 2003; we have travelled to powwows throughout BC, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, California, Idaho and Washington. Our group consists of several different tribal affiliations: Stoney, Sioux, Blood, Secwépemc, Carrier and Sto'lo, and Cree First Nations.

Sage Hills has released four (4) CD's: 2004, "Go for What You Know" dedicated to our mothers; July 2011, self titled "Sage Hills" was named a finalist for "Best Powwow CD - Traditional" by the 2011 Aboriginal Peoples Choice Music Awards and the 2011 Canadian Aboriginal Music Awards, produced by Crazy Cutz Records and dedicated to singer Late John Jules and 2013, "Grandfathers" produced by Crazy Cutz Records.

Supporting Indigenous owned businesses

The Chamber is proud to work with local Nations and a diverse membership as we continue to support Indigenous businesses in our community. Find a list of Indigenous-owned Chamber members on our website.

We invite you to be a part of the leaders and businesses at The Chamber. Ask about our Indigenous Economic Reconciliation Program.
Blackfish was founded spring of 2002. Blackfish is a champion drum in Canada and United States. We come to you byway of the Sto:lo territory.

Honouring all Elders, youth, families, dancers and singers.

From all the grateful families and businesses who live, learn and work here.

há̱́ysxʷ ᐄə Esquimalt and Songhees Nations!
The District of Saanich is proud to support the South Island Powwow.
We’re proud to support the South Island Powwow on National Day for Truth and Reconciliation—a day to *come together* to *honour* Survivors, their families and celebrate Indigenous culture.

As a company, we are honoured to work in partnership and collaboration with many local First Nations communities. Grateful for the opportunity, we look forward to fostering long lasting relationships that rest on the foundation of reconciliation.

Thank you to Songhees Nation for your ongoing generosity and welcoming us to gather together in ceremony.
## Tipi Teachings: Stories and Songs

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- Xyolhmetoxw
  (Bishop Gary Gordon)
Mental Health and Cultural Supports

TELEPHONE AND ONLINE SUPPORT

Virtual Substance Use and Psychiatry Service. A free, referral-based service for First Nations people in BC and their family members. Health care providers, including the Virtual Doctor of the Day program, can refer you to this service. Available Monday to Friday. FNHA.ca/VirtualHealth


Kids Help Phone is a 24/7 national support service offering professional counselling, information and referrals and volunteer-led, text-based support to youth. 1-800-668-6868 or text the word "connect" to 686868 to access text support.

KUU-US Crisis Services is available 24/7 to support Indigenous people in BC. https://www.kuu-uscrisisline.com/24-hour-crisis-line Toll-Free: 1-800-KUU-US17 (1-800-558-8717)
Adult/Elder: 1-250-723-4050
Child/Youth: 1-250-723-2040

National Indian Residential School Crisis Line supports former Residential School students. The crisis line provides emotional and crisis services 24/7. Toll-Free: 1-866-925-4419

Provincial Alcohol and Drug Information Referral Service provides free referral services to support with any kind of substance use issue (alcohol or other drugs). Toll-Free: 1-800-663-1441
Lower Mainland: 604-660-9382

Foundry: health and wellness supports, services and resources for young people ages 12 – 24 and their caregivers. No referral or assessment required. In-person: https://foundrybc.ca/find-a-centre/
Virtual: https://foundrybc.ca/virtual/

FNHA MENTAL WELLNESS AND COUNSELLING SUPPORT THROUGH HEALTH BENEFITS

Health Benefits provides access to mental wellness and counselling services. All services require prior approval. A list of providers registered with Health Benefits can be found on the Provider List or by contacting: 1-855-550-5454.

INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL RESOLUTION HEALTH SUPPORT PROGRAM PROVIDERS (IRS RHSP)

Adah Dene Cultural Healing Camp Society
Margo Sagalon: 250-996-3813
Admin.elders@telus.net
Tracey Charlebois: 250-996-1475
Nakazilieelders@telus.net

Carrier Sekani Family Services
For Vanderhoof: Catherine Lessard: 250-567-2900 or Toll-free: 1-800-889-6855
For Prince George: Rhonda Houri or Cheryl Thomas: 778-675-0419

Gita'w'ow Human Services
Wanda Good: 250-849-5651
Wanda.e.good@gmail.com

Gitsxan Health Society
Martha Wilson: 250-842-6876

Nuu Chah Nulth Tribal Council
Vina Robinson: 1-250-724-3939
vina.robinson@muuchahnulth.org
Daily Elliott: 250-720-1736

Indian Residential School Survivors Society
Carol Stegman: 604-985-4464 or Toll-free: 1-800-721-0066

Okanagan Nation Alliance
Toll-free: 1-866-662-9609

Tsow-Tun-Le-Lum Society
Toll-free: 1-888-590-3123

FNHA TREATMENT AND HEALING CENTRES

During the pandemic, Round Lake Treatment Centre and Gya’waa’Tlaab House of Purification are maintaining a live-in treatment program with additional precautions taken to abide by physical distancing and associated safety requirements. Most treatment centres have moved to providing virtual support to individuals and families.

Carrier Sekani Family Services
Call: 250-567-2900 or Toll-free: 1-800-889-6855 and ask for an ARP Team member
Email: rjohn@csfs.org

Kackaamin Family Development Centre
Call: 250-723-7789 or Toll-free: 1-833-205-6946

Namgis Treatment Centre
Call: 250-974-8015 or Toll-free: 1-888-992-5447 Ext. 2141

Nenqayni Wellness Centre
Call: 250-989-0301 or Toll-free: 1-888-668-4245

North Wind Wellness Centre
Call: 250-843-6977 or Toll-free: 1-888-698-4333

Te'lmexw Awtexw (Sts’čiles First Nations)
Call: 604-796-9829

Tsow Tun Le Lum
Call: 250-268-2463 or Toll-free: 1-888-590-3123

Wilp St’Saxtwx Healing Centre

All information in this document is accurate as of September, 2022.
Defence Construction Canada thanks the lək̓ʷəŋən Peoples for the opportunity to support work to recognize survivors and their families and to celebrate the resiliency of Indigenous peoples and cultures.

Construction de Défense Canada remercie les peuples lək̓ʷəŋən de nous donner l'occasion de contribuer aux efforts visant à rendre hommage aux survivants et à leurs familles et de célébrer la résilience des Autochtones et de leurs cultures.

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MoveUP stands in solidarity with Indigenous peoples and communities in the spirit of truth and reconciliation. Our union of 14,000 members are proud to support the South Island Powwow, celebrate Indigenous cultures and resiliency, and honour survivors together with the Songhees Nation of the Lək̓ʷəŋən People.

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Nétsamaát

Respectfully holding space for healing and unity on this National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. We honour the resilience and strength of Indigenous culture and raise our hands in celebration of all participants in the South Island Powwow.

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WHAT IS RECONCILIATION?

National reconciliation is a vital process that fosters unity, understanding, and healing within a society fractured by past conflicts or divisions. Achieving true reconciliation requires collective efforts and a commitment to building bridges between different groups. Here are some ways in which people can act toward true reconciliation:

Acknowledgment of Past Wrongs: One crucial step is acknowledging historical injustices. Individuals can participate in public dialogues, forums, or educational programs that encourage open discussions about these issues. Recognizing past wrongs is essential for healing and moving forward.

Empathy and Listening: People should strive to understand the experiences and perspectives of others, especially those from marginalized or historically oppressed communities. Empathy and active listening create a space for individuals to share their stories and concerns without judgment.

Promoting Inclusivity: Inclusive practices should be promoted in all aspects of society. Encouraging diversity and inclusion helps ensure that all voices are heard and valued.

Educational Initiatives: Schools and educational institutions play a pivotal role in shaping attitudes and beliefs. Integrating a curriculum that teaches about Canada’s history, including its conflicts and wrongdoings can help create a more informed and empathetic view.

Community Engagement: Engaging in community service and grassroots initiatives can bring people from diverse backgrounds together to work toward common goals. This shared experience fosters mutual respect and understanding, contributing to true reconciliation.

Media Responsibility: Media outlets can play a significant role in either perpetuating division or promoting reconciliation. Responsible journalism that prioritizes accuracy, fairness, and impartiality can help bridge gaps and reduce tension.

Political Leadership: Political leaders should prioritize policies that promote reconciliation and inclusivity rather than exacerbating divisions for political gain. This includes efforts to address socioeconomic disparities, promote dialogue, and create opportunities for marginalized groups that may have otherwise not been given them.

Cultural Exchange: Cultural exchanges, art, music, and sports can be powerful tools for fostering mutual understanding. These activities transcend language barriers and connect people on a human level.

Promoting Truth and Reconciliation Commissions: Supporting or advocating for truth and reconciliation commissions can be instrumental in addressing past injustices, acknowledging victims, and holding perpetrators accountable.

National reconciliation is a complex and ongoing process that requires the active participation of individuals, communities, and institutions. It is a journey toward healing, unity, and a more equitable society. By taking these steps, people can contribute to reconciliation where the wounds of the past can be healed, and a brighter future can be built together.
INDIGENOUS RECOGNITION GAME

Songhees Nation x HUB

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO!

The Indigenous Recognition Game is a free event sponsored by HUB insurance.

Pre-game tailgate starts at 11 am in the Q Centre parking lot. Featuring give aways, food trucks, bouncy castle and games.

The Grizzlies look forward to seeing you at the game!
Every Child Matters

The District of Oak Bay supports and celebrates the community coming together for this year’s South Island Powwow.

Today is not only a day to gather and witness song and dance, but to carry forward our reflections and recognize residential school Survivors and their families in the spirit of reconciliation, year-round.