# 16th Annual Vine Deloria, Jr. Indigenous Studies Symposium

Power & Place: Through the eyes of their ancestors: revitalizing intergenerational knowledge to connect to power, place, and personality

# May 13-14, 2021

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Northwest Indian College - Lummi Nation
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Celebrating 20 Years Since the Publication of Power & Place

The Symposium originates and broadcasts from the ancestral lands of the Lhaq'temish people. The program recognizes the 13 Moons Calendar and the significance of seasonality and presence of Camas and Wild Onion in Coast Salish Territory.

Northwest Indian College Guiding values and beliefs frame this program:

<u>Səla-lex</u>": Our strength comes from the old people. From them we receive our teachings and knowledge and the advice we need for our daily lives.

<u>Schtəngəxwən:</u> We are responsible to protect our territory. This means we take care of our land and water and everything that is on it and in it.

<u>Xwləmi-chosən</u>: Our culture is our language. We should strengthen and maintain our language.

**<u>Leng-e-sot</u>**: We take care of ourselves, watch out for ourselves and love and take care of one another.

Xaalh: Life balance/sacred

#### Agenda

#### Thursday, May 13, 2021

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

### Welcoming -

- Live opening the floor- Rudy Vendiola, (Swinomish), NWIC Associate Dean of First Year Experience & Tim Ballew, Sr., (Lummi), NWIC Faculty
- Lummi Indian Business Council, Chairman Solomon (*Lummi*) (pre-recorded)
- Dr. Justin Guillory (Nez Perce), President of Northwest Indian College (pre-recorded)
- Dr. Victoria Walsey-Honanie (Yakama and Warm Springs),
   NWIC Faculty & Deloria Symposium Co-Coordinator (on behalf of VDS Committee) (pre-recorded)

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Remembering Hank Adams (pre-recorded)

10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	Power and Place Indian Education in America: Indigenous Indigenuity (Live w/Q&A)  • Dr. Daniel Wildcat, (Yuchi), Haskell Indian Nations University
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	<ul> <li>Lunch Break Options-</li> <li>Virtual Market Place</li> <li>Connect virtually with students, panelists, and participants</li> <li>Wellness Activity- Heather Jefferson (<i>Lummi</i>) / Yakaiyistai Gorman (<i>Dine</i>')</li> </ul>
Afternoon Session	The Changing Dynamic of Indigenous Education
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	<ul> <li>Inter-generational Knowledge Transfer and Reflections on Placebased Education (pre-recorded)</li> <li>Tom Sampson, (Tsartlip First Nation)</li> </ul>
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	<ul> <li>The Role of Indigenous Women and Tribal Colleges in Education (Live w/Q&amp;A)</li> <li>Dr. Cheryl Crazy Bull, (Sicangu Lakota), American Indian College Fund</li> <li>Lindsey Compton, (Sicangu Lakota), White Buffalo Calf Women Society</li> <li>Dr. Cynthia Lindquist, (Spirit Lake Dakota Nation), Cankdeska Cikana Community College</li> <li>Tada Vargas, (Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe and Oglala Sioux Tribe descendent)</li> </ul>
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	<ul> <li>The Role of Indigenous Education Liaison in Higher Education (pre-recorded)</li> <li>Laural Ballew (ses yehomia), (Swinomish), Western Washington University &amp; NWIC Board Member</li> </ul>
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	<ul> <li>Washington State Legislature- Since Time Immemorial         Curriculum (pre-recorded)     </li> <li>Senator John McCoy (Tulalip) The History of Since Time         Immemorial Curriculum - message from Senator John McCoy     </li> </ul>
4:30 PM – 5:30 PM	Conversations with Indigenous Educators: How Indigenous Educators are helping train and guide educators throughout Washington in public schools (pre-recorded)  Cynthia Wilson, (Lummi), Lummi Nation  Althea Wilson, (Lummi), Northwest Indian College  Renee Swan-Waite, (Lummi), Lummi Nation  Steve Solomon, Sr., (Lummi), Lummi Nation

- Dolores Calderon, (Mexican/Tigua), Western Washington University
- Dr. Anna Lees, (Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians),
   Western Washington University
- Waylon Ballew, (Lummi), Lummi Early Learning Programs
- Paul Cline, (Lummi), Lummi Nation
- Sam Cagey, Jr., (Lummi), Lummi Nation

5:30 PM

A moment of silence & a blessing song for wellness dedicated to the tribal healthcare workers during the pandemic (prerecorded)

• Yakaiyistai Gorman, (Dine'), NWIC Faculty

## Friday, May 14, 2021

9:00 AM - 9:15 AM

Opening Song (Live) - Setting Intent & Recap

- Rudy Vendiola, (Swinomish), NWIC Associate Dean of First Year Experience
- Tim Ballew, Sr., (Lummi), NWIC Faculty

### **Indigenous Education Models**

9:15 AM - 10:00 AM

The Determined Ones (pre-recorded) —Adams, Deloria, and Frank

• **Dr. David Wilkins,** (Lumbee), University of Richmond, Professor of Leadership Studies

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

**Salish Sea Speaker (pre-recorded)** – Learning from place & water – Reflections from the Salish Sea

- Dr. Emma Norman & Dr. Victoria Walsey-Honanie-Background to Salish Sea Speaker & Symposium
- **Tim Ballew, Sr.,** (*Lummi*), NWIC Faculty
- Malcom Owings, (Lummi), Lummi Nation Police Department Natural Resource Enforcement Officer

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

The Story of the Vine Deloria Jr. Library Collection: Video I (pre-recorded)

- Althea Wilson, (*Lummi*), NWIC, Video Producer Interviews:
- **Dr. Philip Deloria,** (*Standing Rock Sioux Tribe*), Department of History, Harvard University

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

#### **Lunch Break Options:**

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1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	<ul> <li>Water Stewards: Healing Our Water To Heal Our Communities (Live w/ Q&amp;A)</li> <li>Dr. Clarita Lefthand-Begay, (Dine'), University of Washington</li> <li>Direlle Calica, (Citizen of Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Descendant: Yakama, Molalla, and Snoqualamie), Director, Institute for Tribal Government, Portland State University</li> <li>Chief Mike Williams, (Yupiit), Akiak Native Community</li> <li>Storyteller Harvest Moon, (Quinault), Quinault Storyteller</li> </ul>
2:00 PM – 2:30 PM	<ul> <li>Legislative Update- WA State Representative (Live w/Q&amp;A)</li> <li>Representative Debra Lekanoff, (Tlingit), 40th Legislative District for House of Representatives</li> </ul>
2:30 PM – 3:15 PM	<ul> <li>The Story of the Vine Deloria Jr. Library Collection- Video II (pre-recorded)</li> <li>Althea Wilson, (Lummi), NWIC, Video Producer</li> <li>Consolidated Interviews:</li> <li>Valerie McBeth, NWIC Library</li> <li>Dave Oreiro, (Lummi), NWIC VP Campus Dev. &amp; Admin Services</li> <li>Dr. Justin Guillory (Nez Perce), President of Northwest Indian College</li> <li>Dr. David Wilkins, (Lumbee), University of Richmond, Professor of Leadership Studies</li> <li>Dr. Daniel Wildcat, (Yuchi), Haskell Indian Nations University</li> </ul>
3:15 PM – 3:25 PM	<ul> <li>Power &amp; Place Example- Whatcom Creek (pre-recorded)</li> <li>Althea Wilson, (Lummi), NWIC, Video Producer</li> </ul>
3:25 PM – 3:35 PM	<ul> <li>Power &amp; Place Reading with Flute Music (pre-recorded)</li> <li>Renee Roman Nose, (Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma), NWIC</li> <li>Peter Ali, Native American Flutist</li> </ul>
3:35 PM – 3:45 PM	<ul> <li>Role of tribal colleges in building nations (pre-recorded)</li> <li>William Wilson III, (Northern Cheyanne), NWIC Student</li> <li>Vanessa Diane Manuel, (Member of the Tule River Tribe of</li> </ul>

California), NWIC Student

Dominic Higheagle, (Nez Perce), NIWC Student

Gorman (Dine')

Wellness Activity - Heather Jefferson (Lummi) / Yakaiyistai

3:45 PM – 4: 00 PM 4:00 PM

# Closing reflections Celebration & Closing Song (Live)

- Yakaiyistai Gorman, (Dine'), NWIC Faculty
- Rudy Vendiola, (Swinomish), NWIC Associate Dean of Two-Year Degree Program

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