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Economic Reconciliation Business Forum

JUNE 13TH & 14TH, 2023

Victoria Inn Hotel & Convention Centre
1808 Wellington Ave, Winnipeg, MB

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Forum Overview

SCO and SCED's upcoming Economic Reconciliation Business Forum will bring together leaders and economic development representatives from the 34 Anishinaabe and Dakota First Nations from southern Manitoba with Indigenous and non-Indigenous business leaders from across Canada. The forum offers opportunities for networking and learning from a highly regarded and diverse group of speakers.

Our two-day forum will feature presentations from prominent businesspeople and professionals who will share their experiences and insights regarding what economic reconciliation is and what it could be. One of the key themes of the forum is the importance of working together to build wealth and a better future for everyone.

Attendees will be able to closely engage and learn from Canada's top leadership and industry experts.

Keynote Speakers



PHIL FONTAINE

Owner of Ishkonigan Inc.

Phil Fontaine was born at the Sagkeeng First Nation (formerly known as Fort Alexander) in Manitoba, about 150 kilometers north of Winnipeg. His first language is Ojibway. Phil is the owner of Ishkonigan Inc., a company specializing in Indigenous engagement, consultation and negotiation. Phil is also the Special Advisor of the Royal Bank of Canada. He served as National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations for an unprecedented three terms. Among his many accomplishments as the longest serving National Chief, he will be most remembered for successfully negotiating the Indian Residential Schools Settlement Agreement, which included financial settlements for survivors and the establishment of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. He is a Member of the Order of Manitoba and has received a National Aboriginal Achievement Award, the Equitas Human Rights Education Award, the Distinguished Leadership Award from the University of Ottawa, the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, and most recently was appointed to the Order of Canada. Phil also holds eighteen Honorary Doctorates from Canada and the United States.



MARK CHIPMAN

Executive Chairman & Governor, True North Sports & Entertainment - Winnipeg Jets Hockey Club

Mark Chipman is the Executive Chairman of the Board of True North Sports & Entertainment Limited and Winnipeg Jets Hockey Club. In addition, he serves as the Governor of the Winnipeg Jets on the NHL's Board of Governors.

Born and raised in Winnipeg, Mark attended St. Paul's High School and later, the University of North Dakota where he played varsity football while earning an Honors B.A. in Economics and a Juris Doctorate in Law. Mark entered the business of professional hockey in 1996 and led the team that developed Canada Life Centre and ultimately the acquisition and relocation of the NHL Atlanta Thrashers. The club was re-named the Winnipeg Jets by Mark at the 2011 NHL entry draft. In December of 2016, he was named to the Executive Committee of the NHL's Board of Governors. In addition to his business and hockey interests, Mark is actively involved in a number of community efforts. He established the True North Youth Foundation in 1996 and founded Gonzaga Middle School in 2016. Mark was named to the Selection Committee of the Hockey Hall of Fame in 2019 and is the chairman of the Winnipeg Downtown Community Safety Partnership.



C.T. (MANNY) JULES

Chief Commissioner, First Nations Tax Commission

C.T. (Manny) Jules is a member of the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc, formerly known as Kamloops Indian Band, and served as Chief from 1984 to 2000. Manny led the amendment to the Indian Act in 1988 so that First Nations could exercise the jurisdiction to levy property taxes on-reserve. The Indian Taxation Advisory Board (ITAB) and the current First Nation property tax system were created as a result of his vision and efforts. He served as Chair of ITAB from 1989 to 2003 and 2005 to 2007. Manny was the driving force behind the First Nations Fiscal Management Act, passed by Parliament in 2005, creating the First Nations Tax Commission, the First Nations Financial Management Board, and the First Nations Finance Authority. On November 11, 2006, Manny was appointed Chief Commissioner of the First Nations Tax Commission. He was the recipient of an Honorary Doctorate of Laws from both the University of British Columbia in 1997 and Thompson Rivers University in 2006, the Order of British Columbia in 2009, and the Queen's Diamond Jubilee medal in 2013. Mannuy was also awarded the Aboriginal Lifetime Achievement Award by the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business in 2013.



CAROL ANNE HILTON

CEO and Founder of the Indigenomics Institute and the Global Center of Indigenomics

Carol Anne is of Nuuchahnulth descent from the Hesquiaht Nation on Vancouver Island, and an author, speaker, director, and senior adviser with an international Master's Degree in Business Management (MBA) from the University of Hertfordshire. Carol Anne is the award-winning, bestselling author of *Indigenomics - Taking A Seat at the Economic Table* and is currently authoring a second book. Carol Anne served as a senior advisor on the Canadian Economic Growth Council, on the BC Emerging Economy Taskforce, and the BC Indigenous Business and Investment Council. Carol Anne currently serves as a Director on the McGill University Institute for the Study of Canada, MITACS Research, and the BC Digital Supercluster. Carol Anne's work has been most recently recognized with the Mastercard Game Changer Indigenous Entrepreneur Award in 2022, the inaugural Nation Builder Award from the National Angel Capital Organization in 2022, the BC Achievement Foundation's Award of Distinction in Indigenous Business as well as the Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business's national Award of Excellence in Aboriginal Relations.



JAMIE WILSON

VP Indigenous Strategy, Research and Business Development

Jamie is from Opaskwayak Cree Nation in Treaty 5 territory and is passionate about building bridges between First Nations and business communities, as a pathway to a strong and prosperous economic future for all. With a background as a Deputy Minister, educator, a member of the US Army's 75th Ranger Regiment and as Manitoba's Treaty Commissioner, Jamie works with innovative organizations looking to tap into Canada's hidden potential. Jamie's greatest leadership strengths are as a facilitator and relationship builder where his calm and thoughtful demeanor enables him to navigate complex and often highly charged situations, to positive and successful outcomes. He is currently the Vice President of Indigenous Strategy, Research and Business Development with Red River College Polytechnic in Treaty 1 territory.

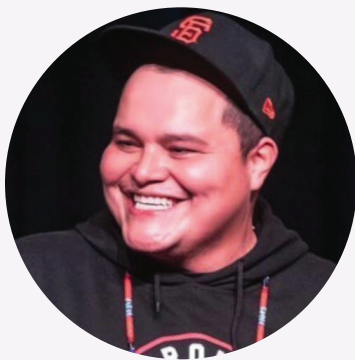
As a teacher and Director of Education for Opaskwayak Cree Nation, Jamie was involved with establishing OCN's Land Based Education programs with significant community support. The program is considered to be one of Canada's best and a model for communities looking to build their relationships with the land.

As Treaty Commissioner for Manitoba Jamie led a team that gained support for treaty education from a diverse network including The Manitoba Teachers Society, Manitoba Superintendents,

Manitoba School Boards, Chambers of Commerce, Rotary and church groups and all political parties. This work culminated in the province supporting the Treaty Education Initiative and making Treaty Education mandatory in Manitoba. Manitoba students are now learning about treaties in Kindergarten through Grade 11 at every school in the province.

Jamie was also employee #1 at the First Nations owned Arctic Gateway Group, operators of the rail line to Churchill and the Port of Churchill, and was a key member of the team that gained access to significant federal and provincial investment totalling over \$170 million. AGG's Indigenous staffing numbers were raised during his tenure from well under 50% to over 70%, with 90% of all new hires during his time there being Indigenous – mainly First Nations from northern Manitoba.

Jamie just finished teaching the first class offered at the Asper School of Business MBA program focused on Indigenous Business Relations, a class that many of the students are now lobbying to be a mandatory part of the MBA program.



PAUL RABLIAUSKAS - (RECEPTION)

Canadian Stand-up Comedian from Poplar River First Nation

Paul Rabliauskas is an accomplished stand-up comedian, writer, and actor.

He's performed in theatres and festivals across Canada including Oddblock Comedy Festival, Winnipeg Comedy Festival, Just For Laughs, Just For Laughs Northwest, and the Arctic Comedy Festival. In July 2021, Paul taped his first stand up special at the Just For Laughs Festival for Crave TV. His debut television series, Acting Good, went to air on CTV Comedy Channel in October 2022. Paul's comedy can regularly be heard on CBC and SiriusXM.

Dennis Meeches and Jim Bear will share emcee duties throughout the forum.

The 2-day forum includes a continental breakfast buffet, health break refreshments, and lunch included in your registration, and also the Networking Reception from 5:00 - 7:00 pm on June 13th, 2023, featuring the Comedy of Paul Rabliauskas.

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and Southern Chiefs Economic Development LP
is proud to announce their 1st

Economic Reconciliation Business Forum Agenda

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DAY ONE

Breakfast Buffet 8:00 am
Health Break 10:45 am
Lunch 12:00 noon
Health Break 2:30 pm

NETWORK EVENING RECEPTION

Tuesday, June 13th, 2023
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Comedian - Paul Rabliauskas
Music and Audio by Primetime Empyre

DAY TWO

Breakfast Buffet 8:00 am
Health Break 10:20 am
Lunch 12:00 noon
Health Break 2:30 pm

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DAY 1 – TUESDAY JUNE 13TH, 2023

Day 1 Master of Ceremonies
Dennis Meeches

8:00 am **BREAKFAST BUFFET** – Registration, and visit Business Booths

9:00 am **Day 1 Forum Kickoff**

- Dennis Meeches, President of the Tribal Council Investment Group (TCIG) and Chair of the Board of Indigeno Travel
 - Drum Group
 - Opening Prayer

9:20 am **Opening Remarks**

- Grand Chief Jerry Daniels, SCO

Welcome Remarks

- Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak (MKO) Grand Chief Garrison Settee
- The Honourable Eileen Clarke, Minister of Indigenous Reconciliation and Northern Relations
- Ian Cramer, CEO of SCED LP

10:00 am Keynote Speaker

- Jamie Wilson, VP Indigenous Strategies Research and Business Development for Red River College Polytechnic
 - **Topic:** Economic Reconciliation a Business Development Perspective
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10:45 am HEALTH BREAK

11:00 am Keynote Speakers

- Mark Chipman, Executive Chairman & Governor of True North Sports & Entertainment
 - Bram Strain, CEO, Business Council of Manitoba
 - **Topic:** Economic Reconciliation and Future Business Possibilities
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12:00 pm LUNCH

1:00 pm Welcome Back

- Dennis Meeches, President of the Tribal Council Investment Group (TCIG) and Chair of the Board of Indigeno Travel
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1:05 pm Guest Speakers

- Joy Cramer, CEO of SCO, Wehwehneh Bahgahkinahgohn, or 'it is visible' HBC Project
 - Jennifer Moore Rattray, COO of SCO, Wehwehneh Bahgahkinahgohn, or 'it is visible' HBC Project
 - **Topic:** Overview on the SCO Hudson Bay Company Building Project
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1:45 pm Guest Speakers

- Chief Gordon Bluesky, of Brokenhead Ojibway Nation and Board Director of Treaty 1 Development Corporation
 - Whelan Sutherland, CEO of Treaty 1 Development Corporation
 - **Topic:** Urban Business Development Treaty One
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2:30 pm HEALTH BREAK

2:45 pm Guest Speakers

- Vitaly Galiulin, Vice President of ATCO Frontec
 - **Topic:** Reconciliation Partnership
 - Don Ross, Senior Vice-President, George Gordon Developments
 - **Topic:** George Gordon Development Ltd. Partnership
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DAY 1 – TUESDAY JUNE 13TH, 2023

Day 1 Master of Ceremonies
Dennis Meeches

3:30 pm **Guest Speakers**

- Michelle Cameron, owner of Dreamcatchers Promotions and Indigenous Nations Apparel Company
 - **Topic:** TBD

4:00 pm **Guest Speakers**

- Clinton Lawrence Whyte, Director General Procurement Assistance Canada
- Kelsey Debets, Regional Director of Procurement Assistance Canada (Western Region)
 - **Topic:** Procurement Assistance Canada Federal Government Procurement Opportunities

4:40 pm **Closing Remarks**

- Dennis Meeches
 - Thanking guests and Business Booths
 - Start of Networking Reception

DAY 1 – EVENING RECEPTION – 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Comedian Entertainment by Paul Rabliauskas

Music and Audio by Primetime Empyre

DAY 2 – WEDNESDAY JUNE 14TH, 2023

Day 2 Master of Ceremonies
Jim Bear

8:00 am **BREAKFAST BUFFET** – Registration, and visit Business Booths

9:00 am **Day 2 Forum Kickoff**

- Jim Bear, Former Chief of Brokenhead Ojibway Nation
 - Opening Prayer

9:05 am **Welcome Remarks**

- Assembly of First Nations (AFN) Manitoba Regional Chief Cindy Woodhouse
 - Opening Remarks on Economic Reconciliation Forum
- Assembly of Manitoba Chiefs (AMC) Grand Chief Cathy Merrick
- Scott Gillingham, Mayor of City of Winnipeg
- Coty Zachariah, Policy Analyst, SCO and SCO Youth
 - Congratulating 3 SCO Youth Entrepreneurs in Business

9:35 am Keynote Speaker

- Dr. Phil Fontaine, former National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, and negotiator of the Residential Schools Settlement Agreement which called for the establishment of the TRC
 - **Topic:** Economic Reconciliation Issues and Opportunities for Business
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10:20 am HEALTH BREAK

10:35 am Guest Speakers

- Chief Dave Ledoux, Gambler First Nation
 - **Topic:** Reconciliation Partnership
 - Daymon Guillas, PADCOM Ltd
 - **Topic:** Potash Mine - Potash & Agri Development Corp
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11:15 am Keynote Speaker

- Manny Jules, Chief Commissioner from First Nations Tax Commission
 - **Topic:** Urban Business Development and Taxes
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12:00 LUNCH

1:00 pm Welcome Back

- Jim Bear, Former Chief of Brokenhead Ojibway Nation
 - Minister Jeff Wharton, Minister of Economic Development, Investment and Trade
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1:05 pm Keynote Speaker

- Carol Anne Hilton, Founder of Indigenomics Institute
 - **Topic:** Indigenous Wealth Building
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1:50 pm Guest Speaker

- Nathan McCorrister, Relationship Manager for First Nations Financial Management Board
 - **Topic:** Economic Reconciliation and Capital Opportunities
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2:30 pm HEALTH BREAK

2:45 pm Guest Speaker

- Andrew Thunder, Director of Corporate Responsibility, The North West Company
 - **Topic:** Overview on how Economic Reconciliation is doing within The Northwest Company Inc
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3:15 pm Guest Speaker

- Frank Busch, Director of Economic Development for Strategies North Advisory Inc
 - **Topic:** Capital and Partnership Building
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4:00 pm Closing Remarks, Closing Prayer, and Drum Group

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Event Pass (including Network Reception)	5	4	3	2	3

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Pricing Overview	\$ 5,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 500	\$ 3,000	\$ 7,000	\$1,500
Opportunities	1			2	2	2
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Website SCO & SCED	Company Name		Company Name	✓	✓	✓
Link to your Website				✓	✓	
Forum Program	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
MC Acknowledgement	✓			✓	✓	✓
Reception Program Recognition	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Complimentary Forum Booth Space		✓				
Social Media Recognition						
Contribute Materials for Delegate Bags	✓					
Post Forum Recognition			✓			
Event Pass (including Network Reception)	2	2	2	1	2	1

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