



THE TEA

INDIGENOUS NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2026



*Congratulations to
the Class of 2026 !*

This Issue:

- June calendar
- Upcoming, past events and activities
- Word of the month



IPC Elders/ Knowledge Keepers

KNOWLEDGE KEEPER OFFICE HOURS

JOAN

CHURCHJ@BRANDONU.CA

Mon. 12:00-4:00 pm

Thurs. 9:00am-4:00 pm

Mon. 3:00- 6:00 pm

Tues. & Wed. 11:30 am- 1:00 pm

Thurs. 9:00 am-1:00 pm

Fri. 3:00 -4:30 pm

SUSIE

MCPHERSON-DERENDYS@BRANDONU.CA

Tuesdays 5:00 - 7:30 pm

Wednesdays 12:00 - 2:00 pm

BARB

BLINDBARBARA2@GMAIL.COM

Thurs. 9:00 am- 12:00 pm/ 1-3:00 pm

- Available to meet by request



Susie McP-D

Cree Elder Knowledge Keeper

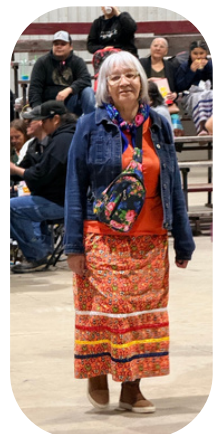
McPherson-DerendyS@BrandonU.ca



Joan C

Metis Elder Knowledge Keeper

ChurchJ@BrandonU.ca



Barb B

Anishinaabe Elder Knowledge Keeper

BlindBarbara2@gmail.com





Congratulations to all the students for their success this year and thank you to all that came out to support and honour them !

**NATIONAL
INDIGENOUS
PEOPLES DAY**

JUNE 21 BRANDON MANITOBA

30TH CELEBRATION
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CALL OUT FOR
POW WOW DANCERS

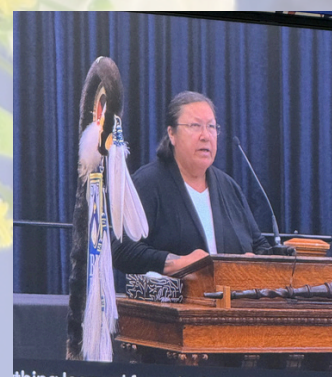
◆◆ NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY ◆◆

Grand Entry @ 12pm Demonstrations @ 4:00-4:45 @ 6:45-7:30	Tot = \$10 per session Teen = \$20 per session Adult = \$30 per session Golden Age = \$40 per session
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➤ **JUNE 21ST** ➤
AT THE RIVERBANK DISCOVERY CENTER

Contact Raven Willoughby
willoughby.raven@bsd.ca
431-541-4402

Convocation Class of 2026





Acting Director Indigenous Peoples' Centre Alison DuBois

Alison is joining us on a 1-year term as the Acting Director of the Indigenous Peoples' Centre.

Alison is a member of Pasqua First Nation in Treaty 4 Territory. Her parents were Richard DuBois (Pasqua First Nation) and Maxine Nanowin (Poplar River First Nation). Alison is of Anishinabe and Cree heritage. Her maternal grandparents were born in Poplar River First Nation and the Balsam Bay and Selkirk area.

Alison received her Native Studies Master's degree from the University of Manitoba in 2003 and her undergraduate degree from the Saskatchewan Indian Federated College (First Nations University of Canada) in 1999. Alison brings to her new role the many academic, life and work experiences she acquired as policy analyst and academic researcher for First Nation and non-First Nation governments. Since 2012, Alison worked as technician for Treaty 4 Chiefs meetings and coordinator for the annual Treaty 4 Gathering Citizens and Elders Forums. Alison has two daughters and two grandchildren.

Alison will be meeting people over the next few weeks, but please stop and introduce yourself if you have the time.

Alison can be reached at

DuBoisA@brandonu.ca or 204-727-7443.

Office 101-2S, Indigenous Peoples' Centre

Welcome Alison.



MANITOBA ACCESS AWARENESS WEEK 2026

Indigenous views of autism - *pîtoteyihtam*

Cree Filmmaker & Storyteller, Julianna Maggrah



**June 1, 2026
10 - 11:30 AM**

The Gathering Space
John E. Robbins Library
Brandon University



**BRANDON
UNIVERSITY**

With thanks to campus partners:

Student Accessibility Services | Student Services
Indigenous Initiatives Office | Indigenous Peoples' Centre
Centre for Teaching, Learning & Technology
Office of the President

On June 1, 2026, in the Gathering Space in the Library, it was such a pleasure to listen to Cree Filmmaker and Storyteller Julianna Maggrah (Jewels). Her sacred, emotional, and spiritually deep journey; learning why she felt different growing up.

Scan the QR code below to learn more about Julainne's healing and encouraging story about being diagnosed with Autism.





Food Resources

BRANDON FOOD PROGRAM – Weekly Calendar | Updated JUNE 2025

Information is subject to change.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
LUNCH Bear Clan 1:30pm – 3pm Downtown Mobile (no set location)	BREAKFAST Women's Resource Centre 9:30am – Noon Women & children only	BREAKFAST Women's Resource Centre 9:30am – Noon Women & children only	BREAKFAST Women's Resource Centre 9:30am – Noon Women & children only	LUNCH Helping Hands 11:30 am – 1 pm	BREAKFAST Women's Resource Centre 9:30am – Noon Women & children only	LUNCH 7th Street HAC Sandwiches 11:30am – 1pm
LUNCH Love in the City Ministries 1pm – 3pm	LUNCH Helping Hands 11:30am – 1pm	LUNCH Helping Hands 11:30am – 1pm	LUNCH Helping Hands 11:30am – 1pm	GROCERIES Food Rescue Grocery Store Wed & Thurs 12pm – 6pm Fri 1pm – 6pm Sat 10am – 4pm Closed Sun–Tues	LUNCH Helping Hands 11:30am – 1pm	
LUNCH 7th Street HAC Sandwiches 11:30am – 1pm	COFFEE Samaritan House Mon–Fri (except holidays) 9:30am – 11am 7th St. HAC Tues & Thurs 9am – 11am BFC Drop-In Mon–Fri 8:30–4:30	HAMPERS Samaritan House Monthly Hamper (or Weekly Kit for unhoused population) Register in person only Mon–Fri 10am–3pm Tues evening 4–5:30pm	HAMPERS St. Augustine's Church Monthly on Wed 1:30pm – 3pm Drop in basis. East door. 204-727-4728 Salvation Army Monthly on Wed. Call Tues to book 204-727-4334	LIGHT MEAL Bear Clan – Mobile Thurs. & Fri. 7pm – 9pm		DINNER Salvation Army Princess Park 4:30pm
WATER BOTTLE REFILL STATIONS 8 th St and Pacific Ave 7 th St and Rosser Ave					LIGHT MEAL Bear Clan – Mobile Thurs. & Fri. 7pm – 9pm	PHONE APPS FOR DISCOUNTED GROCERIES Flashfood (Superstore) Food Hero (Sobeys/Safeway)

Contact Information:

Brandon Bear Clan: 836 Lorne Ave 431-720-2327
 Brandon Friendship Centre (BFC): 603 Princess Ave 204-727-1407
 Food Rescue Grocery Store: Town Centre parkade 204-727-1696
 Helping Hands Soup Kitchen: 111 7th Street 204-727-4635
 Love in the City Ministries: 302 8th Street 204-717-7744

Samaritan House: 820 Pacific Avenue 204-726-0758
 Salvation Army: 9 Princess Avenue East 204-727-4334
 (Food Truck – Princess Park)
 St. Augustine's Church: 327 4th Street 204-727-4728
 7th Street Health Access Centre: 20 – 7th Street 204-578-4800



Community Wellness
Collaborative

Find the
most up-to-
date Food
Calendar

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The BUSU Campus Cupboard is an initiative started in 2024 which aims to alleviate the issue of student hunger and food insecurity. The Cupboard provides preserved, dry, fresh, and frozen foods to those in need at a much lower price than supermarkets, and even the dollar store. Several free offerings will also be available to those who most need it.

• CAMPUS CUPBOARD •



The Cupboard is located in the BUSU Main Office.

BUSU Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Email: info@busu.ca Phone: (204) 727-9660

Mondays

Mondays

Drumming

3:30-4:30 pm

&

Cree Language Circle

5-6 pm

with Cree Knowledge Keeper

Open to BU students, faculty and staff
and All Brandon Community

**Indigenous Peoples' Center
at BU**

*Come listen,
Come sing,
Come learn*



Tuesdays



BEADING BABES

Tuesdays

5:30 pm

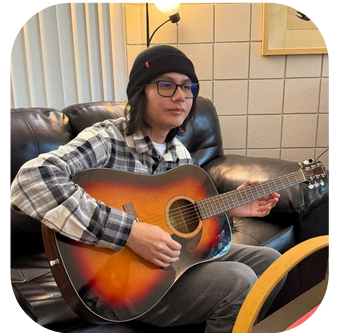


We invite all students, faculty and staff
Beginners and experienced beaders are
welcome

Supplies provided by the IPC



Thursday

A poster for the Guitar Club. It features a large, detailed image of an acoustic guitar's neck and body. The text 'Guitar Club' is written in a large, black, cursive font. Below it, 'THURSDAYS 1-2 PM IN IPC' is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. A white rectangular box contains the text 'NEW & EXPERIENCED PLAYERS WELCOME'. Below that, another white rectangular box contains the text 'OPEN TO BU STUDENTS, FACULTY & STAFF'. In the top right corner, there is a logo for the 'INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' CENTRE BRANDON UNIVERSITY' featuring a stylized star and eagle. Musical notes are scattered around the guitar.



ACADEMIC SUPPORTS

IPC DROP-INS



Rainer S

LIBRARY/RESEARCH HELP

THURSDAYS

11AM-12PM

*Knowledge
is
Power*

*Stay
focused*

*Practice
makes
PROGRESS*

*Keep
learning*



Alex B

ACADEMIC ADVISING

CONNOR - TUESDAY 1-3 PM

ALEX - WED 10 AM-12 PM

****MAY VARY**

WRITING SKILLS

WEDNESDAYS

10AM-12PM



Joan G



Connor T

LEARNING SKILLS

**TUESDAY & THURSDAYS
10 AM -12 PM**

**MATH SUPPORT IN
STUDENT SERVICES**

$$(x^a)^b = x^{a \cdot b}$$

**AIM
HIGHER**
YOU CAN DO IT

**BUILD
SKILLS**



Jaime T

Times may change. Come into IPC to check our calendar





*Learn
and
Grow*



WORD/PHRASE OF THE MONTH

It is raining!

CREE- Kimiwan

DAKOTA- Anpetu Mahazu

MICHIF- Kimooowun

ANISHINAABE- Gimiwan

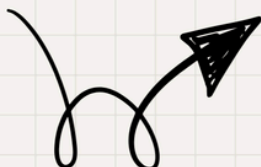


QUILLING

with
Kevin McKenzie



JUNE 24
1PM
IPC



For more Info Contact: nicole.braun@mmf.mb.ca

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Beading 12-2pm Drummine 3:30 pm Cree Language 5pm 1	Beading 5:30 pm-7pm 2	Beading 12-2pm 3	4	Advising walk in Alex 10-12pm 5	6
7	Beading 12-2pm Drummine 3:30 pm Cree Language 5pm 8	Beading 5:30 pm-7pm 9	Beading 12-2pm 10	Guitar Club 1-2pm 11	Advising walk in Alex 10-12pm 12	13
14	Beading 12-2pm Drummine 3:30 pm Cree Language 5pm 15	Beading 5:30 pm-7pm 16	Beading 12-2pm PENT Summer Solstice Feast 12 pm 17	Guitar Club 1-2pm 18	Advising walk in Alex 10-12pm 19	20
National Indigenous Peoples' Day Riverbank Discovery Centre 21	Beading 12-2pm Teachings House 11:30-1pm Drummine 3:30 pm Cree Language 5pm 22	Beading 5:30 pm-7pm 23	Quilling w/ Kevin 1-4pm 24	Guitar Club 1-2pm 25	Advising walk in Alex 10-12pm 26	27
28	Beading 12-2pm Drummine 3:30 pm Cree Language 5pm 29	Beading 5:30 pm-7pm 30				
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Notes:



Do you have
something you
would like to
share in “The Tea”
next month?
Let us know !



Contact IPC@brandonu.ca

Courtesy of...



THANK YOU!
MIIGWECH!
WOPIDA!
MARRSII!
KINANASKIMOTIN!
NAKURMIIK!
MAŠI CHOK!