



**First Nations Language Keepers Gathering
Entertainment
Ira Horse**

Title: Neon's kokom

Entertainer: Ira Horse

Biography: Ira Horse aka Neon's kokom is from Thunderchild First Nation. Ira does not consider herself an Elder yet but considers her a Knowledge Keeper in training. Over time, she tried several videos of utilizing a character, Neon or osima (her grandchild) whom she is constantly calling mise maywecisk (dirty butt). The videos are humorous and have cultural teachings that were passed on to her by her parents and grandmother. While she captures an audience through humor, she uses that opportunity to pass on cultural teachings. She is a "shoot from the hip kind of kokom", who tells it like it is and has made a name for herself.