



Saskatchewan Indian Cultural Centre

Presents

**First Nations'  
LANGUAGE  
KEEPERS  
CONFERENCE**



***“Honouring Residential School Survivors”***

November 30, December 1 & 2, 2011  
Saskatoon Inn Hotel and Conference Centre  
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, CANADA

**INFORMATION PACKAGE**

# First Nations' LANGUAGE KEEPERS CONFERENCE



November 30, December 1 & 2, 2011

The Saskatchewan Indian Cultural Centre is pleased to announce the 2011 First Nations Language Keepers Conference. This event celebrates and supports language education for First Nation people.

The 2011 conference is organized to build upon the advances in knowledge pertaining to language revitalization, retention, teaching, new advances in technology and community language developments.

The Language Keepers Conference will focus on the education of youth, education professionals and community members who strive to contribute to First Nation Language education now and in the future.

Comments from 2010 conference delegates:

*...Very informative I really enjoyed myself. Lots of great ideas. I can't wait to begin some of my Lessons in class . . .*

*...Very helpful. Got a lot of great ideas to use in my classroom...*

*... I made some interesting contacts here where we can do some work together...*

*....The topics are just excellent, very informative; we need more workshops like this....*

The theme for the 2011 Language Keepers Conference is "Honouring Residential School Survivors".

This event provides a forum for educators, leadership and students to share, and learn innovative practices that support the intergenerational transmission of language.

## **CONFERENCE DEADLINES:**

Early Registration Deadline: November 1, 2011	\$225.00
Registration after November 1, 2011	\$300.00
Elders Registration (60+)	\$ 50.00
Students (with Valid Student Card)	\$ 50.00

## Conference at a Glance

Times	Wednesday, November 30, 2011
4:00-8:00p.m.	Participant Registration
5:00-8:00p.m.	Tradeshow Registration and Set-up
	Thursday, December 1, 2011
7:00a.m.	Pipe Ceremony
9:00a.m.	Morning Song & Opening Prayer & Welcome Address and Opening Remarks
9:30a.m.	Workshop Sessions: TBA
10:15a.m.	Morning Health Break
10:45a.m.	Workshop Sessions: TBA
Lunch	Keynote: TBA. Residential Schools/First Nation's Languages Revitalization & Retention
1:15p.m.	Workshop Sessions: TBA
2:30p.m.	Afternoon Health Break
3:00p.m.	Workshop Sessions: TBA
5:00-12:00a.m.	Feast & Round Dance to follow. Oskayak High School- 919 Broadway Ave. Saskatoon, SK.
	Friday, December 2, 2011
7:00a.m.	Pipe Ceremony
9:00a.m.	Morning Song & Opening Prayer
9:30a.m.	Workshop Sessions: TBA
10:15a.m.	Morning Health Break
10:45a.m.	Workshop Sessions: TBA
Lunch	Keynote: TBA
1:15p.m.	Workshop Sessions: TBA
2:30p.m.	Afternoon Health Break
3:00p.m.	Closing Remarks & Closing Prayer

## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

### Pre-Conference Registration

Mail Registration Forms to:

2011 Language Keepers Conference  
Saskatchewan Indian Cultural Centre  
# 305-2555 Grasswood Road East  
English River Business Complex  
SASKATOON, Saskatchewan S7T 0K1  
CANADA

Registration is made payable to: Saskatchewan Indian Cultural Centre (SICC)  
by: Certified Cheque or Money Order

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### November 30, 2011

Pre-conference Registration will take place from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

On – Site Registration Fee: \$300.00

### December 1

Registration will take place from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon.

### December 2

Registration will take place from 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

## **TRADESHOW REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

The First Nations Language Keepers Conference is an excellent opportunity for Business, Colleges/ Universities, technology companies, artists, crafts people, publishers and public and private sector organizations to showcase their products and services to conference delegates and presenters.

**Registration Fee:       \$300.00**

All Exhibitors must complete the attached Tradeshow Booth Registration.

All Booths will be assigned by the Tradeshow Committee. Upon receiving the Tradeshow Registration and Fee, a space will be assigned and the information will be sent to you confirming your Registration.

**November 30, 2011** Tradeshow Registration & Set Up   5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
**December 2, 2011** Tradeshow Take Down

## **ACCOMMODATIONS**

### **Saskatoon Inn Hotel and Conference Centre**

**2002 Airport Drive**  
**Saskatoon, SK S7L 6M4**  
Phone: (306) 242-1440  
Fax: (306) 244-2779  
Toll free: 1-800-667-8789 (North America)

Reservations: [reservations.saskatooninn@silverbirchhotels.com](mailto:reservations.saskatooninn@silverbirchhotels.com)

**The Saskatoon Inn is conveniently located on the north side of the city limits, just minutes from downtown. It is close to the airport, Credit Union Centre, and Wanuskewin Heritage Park. The proximity to Circle Drive makes all major areas and attractions in Saskatoon easily accessible.**

**The Conference Rate is \$129.00; however, you must register under the following code: “Language Keepers Conference”.**

# First Nations' LANGUAGE KEEPERS CONFERENCE



*“Honouring Residential School Survivors”*

## Call for Presenters

2011 First Nations' Language Keepers Conference  
December 1 & 2, 2011

Saskatoon Inn & Conference Centre - Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada

The Saskatchewan Indian Cultural Centre announces the 2011 First Nations' Language Keepers Conference and the Call for Presenters.

This National conference is organized to provide an opportunity for First Nations to share best practices and technological innovations in the teaching, revitalization and retention of language and culture in First Nations' communities. Also, in recognition of the 2011 Conference theme, workshops may include presentations on the history and legacy of Indian Residential Schools and the impact they had on Aboriginal children who attended those schools.

### INVITATION TO SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT

- Submissions are invited for presentations which contribute to the following Conference themes: Teachings that inspire youth to learn about the history and legacy of Indian Residential Schools in the school curricula;
- Promoting awareness and public education about the history and legacy of Indian Residential Schools to the general public;
- Teachings that empower youth to value and honour their language and cultural heritage;
- Revitalization, retention, best practices and technological innovations in the teaching of First Nations' languages and cultures; and
- Elders' cultural teachings and protocols.

### Workshop Structure:

- 1 ½ hour interactive workshop/seminar/panel discussion

## Target Audience:

This Conference is for educators, administrators, parents, linguists and community language and cultural advocates and residential school survivors.

## Benefits of Presenting at First Nations' Language Keepers Conference:

- Waived conference fee (up to 2 presenters);
- Recognition in the First Nations' Language and Cultural community;
- Contribution to your profession;
- Networking, exposure and new professional contacts; and,
- Recognition for providing credible First Nations' Language and Cultural Knowledge.

## Application/Abstract Guidelines:

1. Applications will only be accepted electronically to [conference@sicc.sk.ca](mailto:conference@sicc.sk.ca) . Abstracts are due by September 30, 2011.
2. Abstracts are limited to 500 words, including content and description of educational objectives and strategies.
3. Abstracts should be structured to include the following:
  - Workshop title/statement;
  - Description of education session; and,
  - Description of what the participant will gain as a result of attending the session.
4. Biography of presenter(s) is limited to 250 words.

The Committee reserves the right to request presentation modifications.

Presenters will be advised of the Committee's decision by October 14, 2011.

**SICC will not provide or be responsible for travel arrangements, expenses and/or honoraria for presenters.**



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