



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Dene Migration Symposium

## Mending the Holes in our Stories

Tsuut'ina Nation – Bullhead Community Centre

8-9 September 2017

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## Programme

Friday, 8 September 2017

- 7:01 am Sunrise Pipe Ceremony (for all who want to attend)
- 8:00-8:30 am Breakfast
- 8:30 am Opening Ceremony (Chief **Lee Crowchild**, Tsuut'ina Nation; Dene Sų́łiné Elder, **John Janvier**, Cold Lake First Nation; **Gary Donovan**, Tsuut'ina linguist)
- 9:00 am Welcome and Opening Remarks (**Bruce Starlight** and **Sally Rice**)
- 9:15-10:15 am Opening Round Table
- 10:15 am **Raymond Yakeleya**, Sahtu Dene, Tulita Dene First Nation & Earth Magic Media Group: “Dene Migrations to and from the North”
- 10:45 am **Jack Ives**, University of Alberta archaeologist: “An Archaeologist's Perspective on the Vast Extent of Dene Peoples Across Western North America”
- 11:15 am **Loren Me'-Lash-ne Bommelyn**, Tolowa, Tolowa Dee-Ni' Nation: “Nuu-wee-ya' Xaa-ghvtlh-sri~ 'vn' Dii-dvn (‘our-language genesis to now’)”
- 11:45 am Lunch
- 12:45 pm **Avery Denny**, Navajo, Diné College: “Dineh Clan Migration and the Medicinal Journey, Ceremonial Journey”
- 1:15 pm **Deni Seymour**, independent archaeologist: “The Earliest Apache in the Southernmost American Southwest: Evidence and Arguments”
- 1:45 pm **Veronica Tiller**, Jicarilla Apache, Jicarilla Apache Nation: “Restoring Dignity to Translations of Apache Cosmology and World Views”
- 2:15 pm Short Break
- 2:30 pm **Henrietta Stockel**, Chiricahua Apache historian and author: “Ethnogenesis and Reinvention, or How to Adopt a White Girl”
- 3:00 pm **Silischitawn Jackson**, Hupa, Hoopa Tribal Museum curator: “Nohxa' chi ning yai (‘for us, s/he was sent’)”
- 3:30 pm **Justin Spence**, University of California–Davis linguist: “Creation and Migration in California Dene Narratives”
- 4:00-5:00 pm General Discussion
- 5:00 pm Ceremonial Sweat (for those men and women who want to attend)
- 7:00 pm Feast & Entertainment

Saturday, 9 September 2017

- 7:02 am Sunrise Pipe Ceremony (for all who want to attend)
- 8:00-9:00 am Breakfast
- 9:00 am **Bruce Starlight**, Tsuut'ina, Tsuut'ina Language Commissioner: "Tsuut'ina Migrations"
- 9:30 am **Gabe Yanicki**, University of Alberta archaeologist: "Close, but not too Close: Who was Gambling at the Promontory Caves and What Does This Tell Us About Dene Migration?"
- 10:00 am **Crystal Lightfoot** and **DeLorna Strong**, Nadi-ish-dena, Apache Tribe of Oklahoma: "A Perspective of a Native Nation's Name and Overview of the Apache Tribe of Oklahoma"
- 10:30 am Short Break
- 10:45 am **Sunday Eiselt**, Southern Methodist University archaeologist: "The Canine Question: The Role of Dog Husbandry in Athapaskan Migration and Plains-Pueblo Exchange"
- 11:15 am **Victoria Wanihadie** and **Philip Joachim**, Tsattine, Beaver Indians at Dunvegan: "The Tsattine People"
- 11:45 am **Joyce McDonough**, University of Rochester linguist: "Documenting the Patterns of Spoken Language in a Community: The Dene Speech Atlas"
- 12:15 pm Lunch
- Special showing of the documentary, "Finding Each Other Through Language and Tradition: Athapaskan Groups Across Canada" by **Suzi Bekkattla**, Dene Sų́líné, T'Chanalquay Film Productions
- 1:15 pm **Allen Jacob**, Dene Sų́líné, Cold Lake First Nation: "Language Evidence for Regional Migrations among the Dene Sų́líné in the Subarctic?"
- 1:45 pm **Jessica Metcalfe**, University of British Columbia archaeologist: "Think Like a Bison: Migration and Movement of North America's Largest Land Mammal"
- 2:15 pm **Steven Crowchild**, Tsuut'ina, Tsuut'ina Gunaha Institute: "Tsuut'ina Language and History Revitalization"
- 2:45 pm **Sally Rice**, University of Alberta linguist: "Documenting and Preserving Dene Knowledge for the Future: Towards a Living Digital Archive of Dene Languages and Cultures"
- 3:15-5:00 pm Closing Round Table & Wrap Up (**Bruce Starlight** and **Sally Rice**)
- 5:00 pm Closing Ceremony