



Tsleil-Waututh Nation

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community newsletter

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Chief & Council Elections

Timeline Update



A new timeline has been determined for Chief & Council Elections. The elections were initially delayed due to the COVID-19 vaccination rollout. We can now proceed safely, with a COVID-19 safety plan in place.

Key dates for the elections timeline are as follows:

- In-person Nomination Meeting | May 19, 2021
- In-person Advance Poll | June 16, 2021
- Deadline to Vote by Mail | June 19, 2021
- Election Day | June 25, 2021

This year we will be following the First Nations Elections Act (FNEA). More information will be shared in the coming weeks about the FNEA and some of the changes it will bring.

Look out for mail coming at the end of April from our Elections Officer where more details about the nomination meeting will be shared. In that package, there will be information on how to nominate and vote by mail, to limit in person contact due to COVID-19.

If you need to update your home address please contact dbgeorge@twnation.ca as soon as possible.

TWN Easter Egg Hunt

Did you spot the bunnies?



Thanks to the families and kids who came out and hopped around to search for Easter 'eggs' this long weekend! We hope you found the bunnies on the trails.



Thank you to our TWN Community Development team for delivering the Easter bags, paper eggs, and goodies, and for your creativity in organizing this fun, safe, and unique event!



#TWNHops



COVID-19

reminder to keep safe



STAY THE COURSE

BE COVID-19 CAUTIOUS

A reminder to our members to continue to wear your mask, sanitize your hands, practice social distancing, and avoid gathering, even after you have received your vaccination. We thank you for continuing to practice these safety health measures to keep our community safe.



Public Works Announcement

garbage collection



A reminder to community members to please put your garbage out on the day it is scheduled for pick up.

With spring arriving, we want to make sure we aren't inviting unwanted animals into our community!

Also a reminder to please not dump garbage in the bins outside of the Community Centre. If you can't close the lid on a bin, that means it is full. If you have excess garbage, please take it to the North Shore Transfer (30 Riverside Dr W, North Vancouver).



Thank you - Public Works Department"

Statluw District

Special Virtual Membership Meeting



Thank You!

Thank you to those who attended our Special (Virtual) Membership Meeting on the Second Reading of the Land Use Plan Amendment last week. We appreciate your questions and comments shared during our discussion!

We encourage you to review the presentation on the Statluw District Project and the Land Use Plan Amendment. This will ensure the development of Statluw is guided by the Nation's values, including cultural and sustainable goals.



We would like to hear from you!

Members are invited to continue to share feedback on the project and Land Use Plan Amendment. Please send your thoughts to us at lands@twnation.ca by April 15, 2021.

LNG 101 Community Survey

Treaty, Land, & Resources



The Treaty, Lands and Resources (TLR) Department invites TWN community members to participate in an LNG 101 Community Survey.

Liquified Natural Gas (LNG) is a natural gas that is converted to a clear, colorless, and odorless liquid to make it easier to transport. LNG has many uses including heating, cooking, and electricity generation. There are currently LNG projects (liquefaction and export) being proposed in the TWN Consultation Area. LNG is a well-debated topic with a variety of impacts and benefits. TLR has created this survey to help inform our work and to support Chief and Council decision making.

This survey should take you 4-7 minutes to complete with an optional 30 minute LNG 101 Presentation. At the end of the survey, you will have the opportunity to enter your name into a draw to win a \$50, \$100 or \$150 EverythingCard. The survey is anonymous -- we will not connect your contact information with your survey answers.

TO TAKE THE SURVEY:

1) Use the QR code below to access the survey or type the following link into your browser:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LNG101>



2) If you are unable to do the survey online, please come to the TWN admin office during opening hours. Hard copies will be available outside on the small table. You can return your survey to the admin office (ring doorbell or put it in the mailbox outside the front door). The survey will close on Tuesday April 13th at 11:59pm

Thank you for participating! If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Melanie Walker, Consultation and Accommodation Manager:
mwalker@twnation.ca or 604-787-7209 (cell).

Herring Spawning Story

CBC Story Feature with
Chief Leah George-Wilson



[Read full story here!](#)

Indigenous food for generations

On Vancouver's North Shore, the gravel crunches as Chief of the Tsleil-Waututh First Nation Leah George-Wilson walks along the beach.

For thousands of years, she said herring was an important food for the Tsleil-Waututh people. She recalls her grandparents talking about eating wild herring taken from nearby waters. For her generation though, herring is mostly something left in oral history and traditional knowledge since they were largely fished out in nearby waters.

"You only have to look up the West Coast of British Columbia to see where herring still is and to see how Indigenous people harvest there," George-Wilson told CBC News. "We did similar things and it was an important food source."

The Tsleil-Waututh and other Indigenous groups are working to bring back the fish. And they're partnering with scientists to better understand how herring live and spawn.



Herring Spawning Story



CBC Story Feature with Chief Leah George-Wilson

...and watch the video story below!



TWN community vaccinations



North Shore News
read!

'Pure joy': Tsleil-Waututh Nation steps toward COVID-19 community immunity

Tsleil-Waututh Nation can relax a little now knowing all its members have received their first COVID-19 vaccination.

Mar 30, 2021 1:00 PM By: [Elisia Seeber](#)



Global News
watch!



from TWN Skills Centre to Reception Bryce Thomas



Hello everyone!

For those of you who don't know, my name is Bryce Thomas. My parents are Randy Thomas and Melissa Nahanee. Throughout my teen years I worked at Takaya Day Camp in the summer, but I am very excited to share that I am now the Administrative Assistant / Receptionist at our TWN administrative building. The previous year I spent my time learning and growing with the TWN Skills Center. I would love to acknowledge Anita Thomas and the staff Chelsey George and Kiki George. And of course Alanna Falys who is the owner of PRIMEtuitive and my teacher, for all their hard work they do for the students and all the support they provide. I can't express how well-run the courses are, and how much I learned through all the staff and students. I have successfully completed three course with them; Business Administrative, Human Resources, and Project Management, and I couldn't have done it without them. I am very excited to be working so close to the community and my home and I cannot wait for COVID-19 to be over to see everyone around!

- Bryce

Congratulations to Bryce Thomas, our new Administrative Assistant/Receptionist for TWN! Bryce's hard work and training from the TWN Skills Centre has allowed her to grow into the opportunity to take on this role.



TWN Health Department

Dr. McCabe



Meet Dr. McCabe! She will be working as a doctor for our community through the Ćec̓əwət leləm Helping House.

The Helping House Primary Care Clinic is pleased to announce the addition of a new Family Practitioner to provide Primary Care medical services to the Tsleil-Waututh community. In her own words, Doctor Alyson McCabe feels excited and honoured to be invited to work with the community. She has recently relocated to the North Shore. Born on Treaty 7 land (Calgary, Alberta), she then lived on Lekwungen territory in beautiful Victoria, BC. Her family heritage is of mixed European background.

As a family physician she has an additional specialty in Addiction Medicine and aims to ensure that all people she meets feel heard, respected, safe, and valued. She brings a collaborative, patient-centred approach to creating wellness plans together with her clients.



Outside of work, she enjoys spending time with her husband and son and is interested in environmentalism, nature, mountain biking, hiking, and mindfulness.

Dr. McCabe is looking forward to listening, learning, and collaborating with community members in her new role. She will be at the Helping House clinic Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and some Saturdays. She will also offer some early evening appointments. If you are looking for a family physician, please call the Helping House at 604-929-4233, and add your name to her list of new patients, and to book an appointment.

- Dr. McCabe

TWN Health Department

Lorna Joseph



Meet Lorna Joseph! Lorna is our TWN Health Department's Executive Assistant to Andrea Aleck, as part of the Ćecəwət Ieləm Helping House

Ta nu en siyam en siyay en sekwi7tel Lorna Joseph kwi en sna
To you my esteemed friends & family, I am Lorna Joseph

An hal7h en skwalwen kwis tl iknumut ta Átsnach
My heart is happy to have arrived here at Tsleil-Waututh

I am happily, newly employed with the Helping House/Health & Wellness department as the Executive Assistant to the Director Andrea Aleck.
I am married to Dennis Joseph of the Squamish Nation and we have 4 beautiful children.

As with many of our families, my family comes from many directions across the West Coast of BC and Washington State.

I have worked in service to our human families for well over 20 years and am grateful to be here working with a team who cares for all our families.

My goal is to keep learning and sharing, our teachings show us that you begin learning in the womb and go right on learning until you travel to the other side of this human existence. Our capacity for learning is limitless.

I know many of the families here, as they are my family also, may we soon connect and share space with each other!

- Lorna



TWN Health Department

Leonie Streeter



Meet Leonie Streeter! Leonie will be working as a nurse for our community through the Ćec̓əwət leləm Helping House.

Hello TWN Community,

I come from the South Pacific islands. Born in Fiji. My Mum from Viti Levu and Father from Vanua Levu which are two of the larger main islands among 300 smaller ones. My Nana brought me over to Canada when I was 4 years old to settle in with my Mum who came a year before me. I am very thankful to grow up in this country, this land as it has brought me many opportunities in life that I hold close to my heart. I am very thankful to have been born in Fiji too as I hold my connections of family, culture, the Vanua (land), and the Ocean close to heart as well.

Almost half of my life I have worked in the health care field. Working as a care aid, a practical nurse and now as registered nurse I continue to learn and be thankful of the the moments and people I have met along the way. My nursing practice has mainly been in Vancouver with a very short time on the island of Kauai. I have worked in the fields of assisted living, long term care, palliative care and community care.

I am so very thankful now to have this opportunity to work as a home care nurse with the Tsleil-Waututh Nation community.

Vinaka vaka levu (thank you very much)

- Leonie



Truth, Family, Culture, Health & Coast Salish Law

Livestream Series



Hosted by Rueben George

Tune in to a weekly new live interview series, being hosted by Rueben George, Sundance Chief and member of Tsleil-Waututh First Nation! The series is called "Truth, Family, Culture, Health", which is the foundation of Coast Salish Law. He will be interviewing world-renowned indigenous elders, cultural leaders, and environmentalist activists, once a week on Sacred Ecology's YouTube & Facebook Channels, on Tuesdays at 6pm.

sacredecology.com/livestream



Truth, Family, Culture, Health Coast Salish Law

Hosted by Rueben George

with Christine Peterson,
Peter McCartney
& Special Guests

Tuesdays @ 6pm PST
<http://sacredecology.com/livestream>



Online Chat Event

Human Rights & the Grandmother's Perspective



Meet B.C.'s Human Rights Commissioner: A chat about human rights and the grandmother's perspective

We invite you to bring a warm drink and snack to tune into a chat between Kasari Govender, B.C.'s Human Rights Commissioner, Sharon Thira, BCOHRC's Executive Director of Education and Engagement, Elder Shane Pointe of the Musqueam Nation, and Elder Barb Ward-Burkitt of the Fort McKay Nation. The Commissioner looks forward to sharing how her experiences with family and other caring relationships ground her interest in human rights. By centering the grandmother perspective, the chat will discuss the importance of human rights for Indigenous Peoples.

Watch live on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/humanrights4BC/>



British Columbia's
Office of the Human Rights
Commissioner

Have tea with me

B.C.'s Human Rights Commissioner
Kasari Govender chats with Elders
about the grandmother perspective

April 8 at 10:00 a.m. PST on Facebook Live



Movement Monday!

Home Workout Series

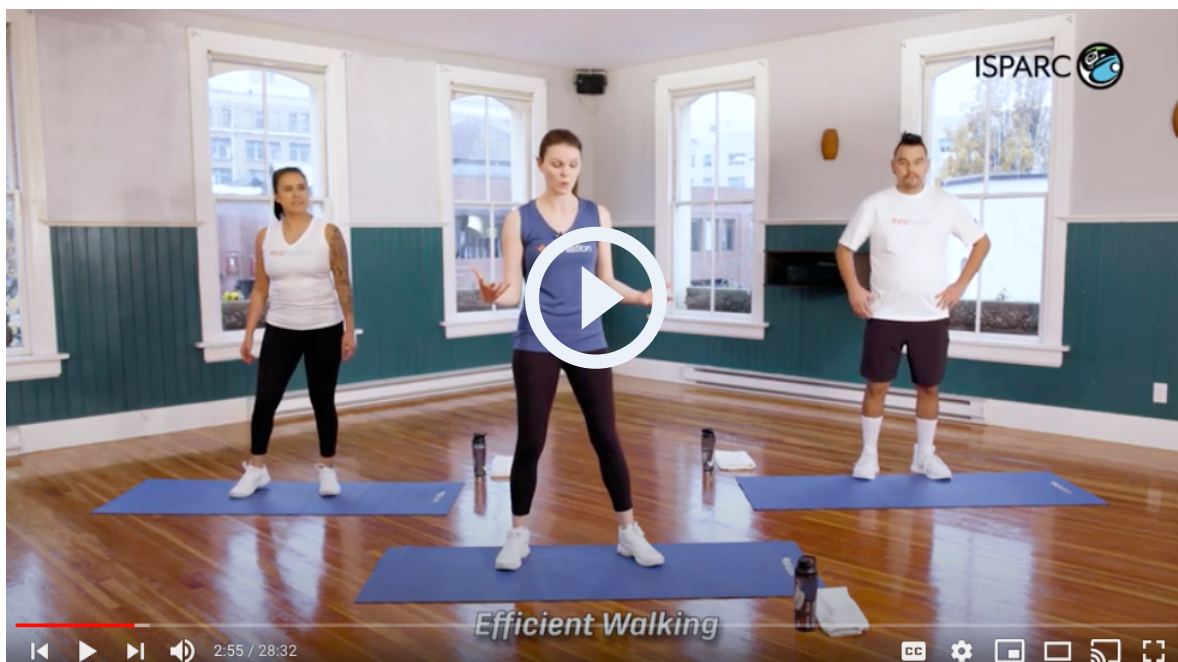


Are you ready to workout at home and kick start into Spring?

Our TWN Recreation team would like to share a workout video series with you over the next month from FitNation, presented through Indigenous Sport, Physical Activity & Recreation Council.

Join FitNation leaders Amanda de Faye, Janice Johnson, and Daniel Young-Mercer as they guide you through each workout. Options are provided for each exercise in introductory, intermediate, and advanced movements. Whether you're taking your movements from the chair, or jumping for the sky in those burpees, we've got the movement for you. Workouts include different exercises to wake up the body and get the heart rate up. With Janice providing chair modifications, this is also a great option for our Elders!

[Workout & watch here!](#)



Dance Workshops

hip hop & Indigenous contemporary



come dance with us!

Thank you for voting in the dance workshop poll! We are delighted to announce two workshop series offered by New Works, for all ages and levels. You are now welcome to register:

Hip Hop

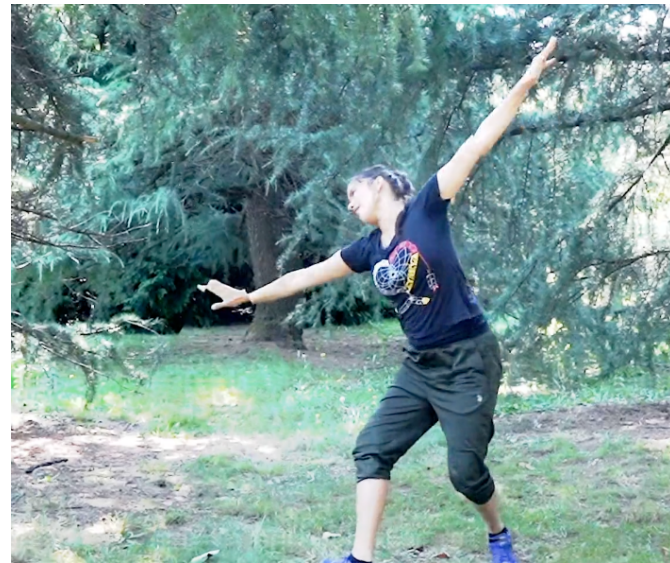
Dates: Wednesday April 14, 21, 28

Time: 5-6 pm (evenings)

Contemporary Indigenous

Dates: Saturday May 8, 15, 22

Time: 10:30-11:30 am (mornings)



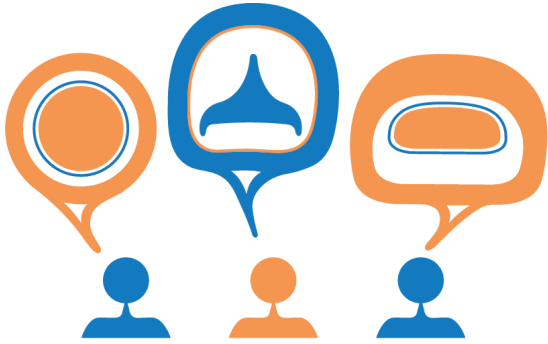
To register: Contact Sandra, our Expressive Arts Therapist, at ssalberco@twnation.ca or text (236) 335-5783, with your name, your age, contact info, and the workshop(s) you are interested in attending. You are welcome to register for both.

Note that families with children and youth are encouraged to join!

Learn more about New Works here:
newworks.ca

Youth Leadership Committee

wellness survey



Tsleil-Waututh Nation
Youth Leadership Committee

We would like to hear from you!

Attention Youth (& Parents of Youth),

Our Youth Leadership Committee has put together a Health & Wellness Survey to get your input on how we can further support the wellness of our youth. We have various door prizes to be entered in for those who participate!

Please fill out this survey at the link below (open to anyone 35 years of age and under). For questions and hard copies, please call or text Kevin at 604-788-7634 or by email at ylc@twnation.ca.

Fill out survey here!

surveymonkey.com/r/YLCwellnesssurveyTWN

IMPAC5 Youth Committee

youth opportunity



Join our Young Professionals Committee!

For the 5th International Marine Protected Areas Congress (IMPAC5)

Are you between 18 to 32 years old?

If yes, we would like you to join a cohort of young Indigenous and non-Indigenous leaders to influence ocean decision-making! Share your views on conservation, protected areas, climate action and more with global leaders at IMPAC5 in Vancouver, Canada from 23-30 June 2022.

APPLY BY 22 APRIL, 2021 AT 11:59 PM (PST)

www.IMPAC5.ca/young-professionals



Small Vessels Boating Safety

Q&A Virtual Session



Hosted by Allan Planes Transport Canada Boating Safety Officer

Allan invites TWN community members to attend a virtual information Q&A session on boating around large vessels for smaller boat vessels. From wearing life jackets to the right paddling equipment, Allan Planes will share safe boating messages, activities and products for small vessels. These safety messages are especially important for school-age kids and boaters to learn more about safe and responsible boating practices.

The goal is to make sure that boaters know the requirements and understand the regulations that apply to boating. Many communities are active in canoeing, kayaking, wake boarding, jet skiing, stand up paddle boarding, river tubing and fishing to name a few.

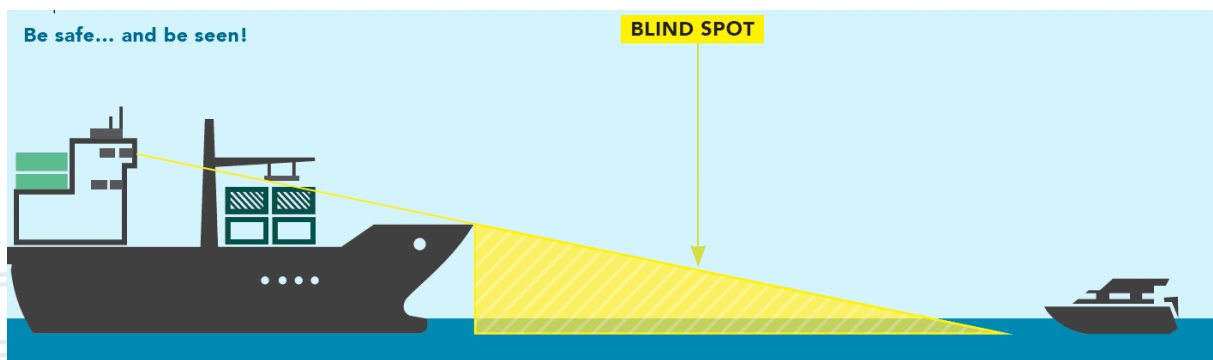
Time: Thursday April 15, 2021, 1-1:30pm

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/93498324908?](https://zoom.us/j/93498324908?pwd=R1dNU0RaTUxkcUdFMHVUeTNZVmVxQT09)
[pwd=R1dNU0RaTUxkcUdFMHVUeTNZVmVxQT09](https://zoom.us/j/93498324908?pwd=R1dNU0RaTUxkcUdFMHVUeTNZVmVxQT09)

Meeting ID: 934 9832 4908

Passcode: safety



Climate & Equity Group

City of Vancouver opportunity



The City of Vancouver is seeking Indigenous members for new Climate & Equity Working Group to advise City Staff on climate-related policies, programs, and engagement efforts from an equity perspective. The group will also help to shape the development of a Climate Justice Charter that will integrate and advance equity in climate policy.

Working Group members will be expected to attend 10 meetings per year, roughly monthly (2-3 hours each), and spend approximately two hours per month outside of meetings on Working Group activity. Members will serve for 18 month terms.

We are seeking people with lived experience of systemic inequities and those who work with organizations working in this space with an understanding of and passion for any of the following: racial justice, climate justice, experience with equity indicators, and related perspectives.

A variety of experience and types of knowledge are valued and welcome. Compensation for participation at living wage rate is available.

Three seats on the Working Group are being held for Indigenous members and applications for those seats will remain open until April 30 (or later as needed until filled).

For more info & to apply, visit the [City of Vancouver website](#).

Indigenous Scholarships

BC Hydro Program



Available to Status, Non-Status, Métis and Inuit students who are residents of B.C. and are enrolled in an accredited full-time post-secondary program. Students in Grade 12 planning to pursue a full-time, accredited post-secondary education within Canada are also eligible to apply.

Scholarships

- \$5,000 scholarships allocated to students pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree with a full-time course load.

Bursaries

- \$2,000 bursaries allocated to students pursuing a diploma, certificate or trade program, or a part-time degree.

Applications are accepted from April 1- May 31, 2021.

Please check our [website](#) for program requirements and application instructions.

For more information or questions please email Indigenous.Awards@bchydro.com



Job Postings

external & internal



Full-Cycle Bookkeeper

Pacific Association of First Nations Women
Full-Time, permanent



Reporting to the Lead Matriarch and our Senior Financial Consultant, the full-cycle bookkeeper performs financial duties including day-to-day bookkeeping (bank and credit card posting and reconciliations, accounts payable and receivable, etc.), payroll administration, month end close, some financial reporting – both internal and external, assisting with budgeting and variance reporting, leading contract management, records management, assisting with audit preparation and year end close preparation.

To apply, include a cover letter, 3 References, Salary Expectations, and a Resume, to PAFNWJobs@gmail.com by April 30, 2021.

visit website or contact communications@twnation.ca for full job descriptions

TWN Internal Job Postings

Customer Service Representative - Golf Centre

Part-Time, temporary

Senior Referrals Analyst - Treaty, Lands, and Resources

Full-time, permanent

Archaeology & Environmental Monitor - Treaty, Lands, and Resources

Part-time, permanent



For questions and to apply, send resume and cover letter with job position in subject line to hr@twnation.ca

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Thank you for reading!
Take care & stay well

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