



INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE  
& WISDOM CENTRE

## EMBODYING OUR AUTHENTIC VOICE

*IKWC Speaker Series is your front seat to an entertaining session.*

*The sessions will be travelling throughout Alberta First Nation communities highlighting positive youthful role models while promoting IKWC and the Virtual Library.*



**CONWAY K KOOTENAY –  
ALEXANDER FIRST NATION, TREATY 6**

*Conway is a long-time B Boy break dancer and the star of the self-created hit, Smudge Pan. Conway is no stranger in the Indigenous entertainment world. This multi-talented performer crossing platforms from champion men's Chicken Dancer to hip hop artist who introduced Red Power to Aboriginal People's Choice Music Award winner for best Hip Hop CD, Conway continues to display a wide range of talents in his projects reflecting his drug and alcohol-free lifestyle.*



**JAMIE MEDICINE CRANE –  
KAINAI AND PIIKANI NATION OF THE BLACKFOOT  
CONFEDERACY, TREATY 7**

*Jamie is an empowering motivational speaker, dancer, musician, model and youth advocate. Jamie started to Native Fancy dance at a young age and modelling at 13 years old where she eventually opened a modelling school where she assisted young women building their self-esteem. She was one of the first Native women to run in Miss Universe Canada where she was awarded Miss Congeniality and later the same year was crowned at Miss Blackfoot Canada in 2003. She has volunteered with the YWCA Lethbridge, YWCA Canada and YWCA World. Jamie has two degrees, Bachelor of Business Administration and Bachelor of Education and has a Masters in Education.*



**LANCE CARDINAL –  
BIGSTONE CREE NATION, TREATY 8**

*Lance is an award winning, multi-disciplinary creative force with over two decades in the Fine Arts industry. He has professional experience as a Set Designer, Sculptural Artist, Entertainment Director, Producer, Singer, Model Maker/Miniaturist, Concept Artist, Theme Park Designer, Choreographer, Teacher, Photographer, Event Coordinator/Facilitator and Cultural Healer. In 2009, Lance established a new music program for Bigstone Cree nation's Oski Pasikoniwew Kamik (O.P.K.) Elementary school in Desmarais, and currently works as the Founder/Creative Director of the Calling Lake Arts Academy. Lance continues to create Indigenous Arts initiatives wherever he can and hopes that "Inspiration" will help heal his nation.*

WITH EMCEE:

**BRITNEY PASTION -  
ALEXIS NAKOTA SIOUX NATION,  
TREATY 6**



*Brittney Pastion is the news reporter for CFWE-FM, part of the Aboriginal Multi-Media Society (AMMSA). In her teens, Brittney began her journey back to her traditional roots, entering the powwow circle as a jingle dress dancer. In 2014, Brittney found her passion for telling Indigenous stories, graduating from the broadcasting program at the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT). She's is a strong believer in balancing education with traditional knowledge. In 2017, Brittney was crowned Indigenous royalty within the Treaty No.6 Territory. Brittney continues to educate working with various groups, with her most recent collaboration- 'Ancestors & Elders', a project born from a desire to connect the Ukrainian settler experience to that of the indigenous people of the area.*

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