

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

You are invited to...

All-Day Sacred Fire Ceremony at x^wci'əsəm – UBC Farm

The all-day Sacred Fire Ceremony commemorates the spirits of the lost children who never returned home, the survivors of residential schools, their families, and their communities. It is also an opportunity for everyone to acknowledge and commit to reconciliation and to ensure that the tragic history and ongoing legacy of residential schools are never forgotten.

You can participate by making fire offerings, singing, drumming, sending prayers, sharing experiences, and reflecting on your support for Truth and Reconciliation and advocacy. This free outdoor event is open to everyone. We ask that no photography or recording occurs as this is a sacred space.

We acknowledge that the UBC Vancouver campus is situated on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded Territory of hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓ speaking x^wməθkwəy̓əm (Musqueam) People. These lands have been a place of learning about x^wməθkwəy̓əm culture, history, traditions, and knowledge for thousands of years.

We recognize that these annual Sacred Fire Ceremonies are not practiced within x^wməθkwəy̓əm culture in this way, and we are grateful for their consent to offer them each year.

We also acknowledge the unceded, traditional, and ancestral Territories of Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish), Səlíl lwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh), Syilx (Okanagan) Peoples where other UBC Campuses are located.

Hosted by the Centre for Indigenous Land-Based Education, Research and Wellness at x^wci'əsəm; First Nations House of Learning; Indian Residential School History and Dialogue Centre; and the Indigenous Land-Based Health, Wellness, and Education Research Cluster.

If you have any questions, please contact:
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Monday, September 30, 2024

Fire starts at Sunrise (7:12am) and ends at 4:00pm

Rain or Shine, please dress appropriately

x^wci'əsəm at UBC Farm - 3461 Ross Drive, Vancouver

Limited Parking is available on the Farm Events Field

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