

EFR19-34 Education for Reconciliation: Cultural Observing the Fall Equinox at the Viking Ribstones

Presented By: Clifford Cardinal

Date(s):

Saturday, September 22, 2018
12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Session Location:

Viking Ribstone
via AB-36 S and AB-857 S, Beaver County, AB

Registration Fee:

\$40.00

Audience: Educational Assistants, Teachers, Administrators, Jurisdictional Leadership, Trustees, Parents, Education Partners/Stakeholders, Community Members

Grade Level:**Special Notes:**

As is the custom, the event will conclude with the sharing of a feast of traditionally prepared foods.

About the Session:

Near Viking, Alberta, on the top of a hill, at the highest point for miles around, rest the only Ribstones in Alberta that have not been moved since ancient times. The Viking Ribstones are one of the few monumental carvings remaining from ancient times which can be viewed in their original natural setting. All other known ribstone sites have been disturbed. In most cases the ribstones themselves have been removed.

Join Cree elder Clifford Cardinal (Saddle Lake Nation) for a special visitation to the Ribstones as he welcomes us into ceremony recognizing their cultural and spiritual significance. Clifford will also speak to the history of the Ribstones and of the significance of the fall equinox.

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Notes:

The cultural observance of women wearing long skirts and covered head will be honoured at this event.

The pipe ceremony is conducted in the open and on the ground. Participants should bring a blanket to sit on, and anyone who is unable to sit for an extended time on the ground is welcome to bring a lawn chair.

Participants are reminded to dress for the weather (whatever it may be).

There are no toilet facilities at the Ribstone site.

About the Presenter(s):**Clifford Cardinal**

Clifford is a Plains Cree (indigenous) person from Saddle Lake Cree Nation located in northeastern Alberta. Clifford holds a Bachelor of Education degree and currently teaches the Cree language and culture courses at the St. Paul Regional High School where he has been since the fall of 2004. Clifford also holds many teachings around the history of the cultural traditions that have been passed down for generations. The knowledge he will be sharing will be through the many teachings that has been blessed with by the elders of his community.

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