

# AAND Aboriginal Centennial Initiative Projects



photo: Travel Alberta



photo: John Kristensen



photo: Patricia Russell

photo: Naomi Gordon

## June 15-18

### History in the Hills: Celebration 2005

This event showcases a circle of tipis and trappers' tents with interpreters and exhibits featuring First Nations cultures (Blackfoot and Cree) and the Metis culture.

LOCATION: Cypress Hills  
CONTACT: Jeannette Hansen  
Miywasin Society of  
Aboriginal Services  
(403)526-0756

## June 17

### New Beginnings, New Future, Eighth Generation of New Hope

Centennial Powwow incorporating traditions to raise awareness of Aboriginal culture and contributions to the social fabric of the province.

LOCATION: Coast Plaza Hotel, Calgary  
CONTACT: Connie Boisvert  
Aboriginal Resource  
Centre Association  
TEL: (403) 204-0083  
EMAIL: general@arctr.com

## June 18 - 25

### City of Calgary Aboriginal Awareness Week

Various cultural events and centennial activities targeted at families.

LOCATION: Calgary  
CONTACT: Carrie Neilson  
TEL: (403) 268-5149

## June 20-25

### Honouring Our Treaty Gathering

A celebration of the signing of Treaty 8 and its influence on culture, language, and history.

LOCATION: Grouard  
CONTACT: Gwen Muskwa  
Treaty 8 First Nations of Alberta  
TEL: (780) 483-0484

## June 22-24

### Dreamspeakers International Film Festival

Hollywood stars come to Edmonton to celebrate the best in Aboriginal film making. Opening Night - June 22, Youth Day - June 23, VIP Gala - June 24, Wrap-Up Party - June 25.

LOCATION: Various locations, Edmonton  
TEL: (780) 378-9609  
WEB: www.dreamspeakers.org

## June 26

### Honouring Our Elders

Centennial gathering in conjunction with National Aboriginal Day celebrations in Muskoseepie Provincial Park.

LOCATION: Grande Prairie  
CONTACT: Darlene Cardinal  
Mamowenowak Gathering  
of People Society  
TEL: (780) 539-9369  
EMAIL: darcar@cablerocket.com

## June 26

### Sun & Moon Visionaries & Partners Aboriginal Centennial Celebrations

Grassland Mikhwahp interactive and interpretive tipi camp by urban Aboriginal youth at events in Fort Edmonton Park.

LOCATION: Edmonton  
CONTACT: Joy Sinclair  
TEL: (780) 433-3097

## July 8-17

### Treaty Seven First Nations and the Calgary Exhibition & Stampede: A Cross-Cultural Knowledge Exchange

Held at Stampede Indian Village, guests will participate while Treaty 7 dancers and drummers offer a full presentation of their traditional dances.

LOCATION: Stampede Indian Village, Calgary  
CONTACT: Tracey Read  
Calgary Exhibition  
and Stampede Ltd  
TEL: (403) 261-9373

## July 22-31

### Dene Gathering 2005

Dene youth and Elders will be sharing their experiences and stories.

LOCATION: Redwood Meadows  
(north of Bragg Creek)  
CONTACT: Tsuu T'ina First Nation  
TEL: (403) 281-4455

## July 31-Aug 6

### K'ai Taile Denesuline Gathering

Gathering of Denesuline Elders, youth, women, and communities (including Mikisew Cree First Nation and Metis Nation) to celebrate their culture.

LOCATION: Fort Chipewyan  
CONTACT: Alice Rigney  
Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation  
TEL: (780) 697-3440

# June & July 2005



# 2005 National Aboriginal Day Event Listings



photo: John Kristensen



photo: Aseniwuche Winewak Nation



photo: Naomi Gordon



photo: John Kristensen

## June 11 – 12, 2005

### Sagitawa Native Friendship Centre Celebration

The Aboriginal Interagency Committee hosts an Aboriginal gathering in conjunction with a pow wow.

LOCATION: Peace River  
CONTACT: Denis Whitford  
TEL: (780) 624-6460

## June 19 and 21, 2005

### Royal Museum of Alberta Celebration

A celebration of Aboriginal culture and Alberta's Centennial which includes various demonstrations, activities, dancing, and music.

LOCATION: Edmonton  
TIME: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
CONTACT: Kim Gough  
TEL: (780) 453-9135

## June 20, 2005

### 1st Annual Canada Wide Cleansing Ceremony

This event includes the unveiling and blessing of Aboriginal art, a Tree of Life ceremony, a Cleansing ceremony, and both Hoop and Metis dancers.

LOCATION: Ramada Hotel & Conference Centre, Edmonton  
TIME: 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
CONTACT: Brenda Dalla Costa  
TEL: (780) 453-7305

## June 21, 2005

### Official National Aboriginal Day Commemoration

Activities include various Aboriginal performers and different speakers from different levels of government.

LOCATION: Canada Place, Edmonton  
TIME: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
CONTACT: Heather Poitras, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada  
TEL: (780) 495-6728

## June 21, 2005

### Royal Eagles Annual BBQ

An event that features Aboriginal dancers, singers, educational materials and dignitaries in conjunction with a BBQ. Proceeds go to local Aboriginal charities.

LOCATION: 102 Street and Jasper Avenue, Edmonton  
TIME: 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
CONTACT: Syrena Courtorielle, Royal Bank of Canada  
TEL: (780) 448-6708

## June 21, 2005

### Wetaskiwin Skills Link Celebration

Celebrate Aboriginal Peoples' contribution to Canadian society by Participating in the "Miss Bannock 2005" competition.

LOCATION: Wetaskiwin Jubilee Park  
CONTACT: Erin Christophersen  
TEL: (780) 352-7956

## June 21, 2005

### Head-Smashed-In-Buffalo Celebration

Participate in drumming, dancing, traditional games and honored speakers to celebrate Aboriginal peoples' contribution to Canadian society.

LOCATION: Located 18 kms NW of Fort Macleod  
TEL: (403) 553-2731

## June 21, 2005

### Athabasca Native Friendship Centre Celebration

The Friendship Centre is hosting a community tea and Aboriginal Arts Poster Contest. Elder Samson Beaver will present to share his knowledge with those who attend.

LOCATION: Athabasca  
CONTACT: Penny Van Vliet  
TEL: (780) 675-3086

## June 22, 2005

### Pancake Breakfast

The Canadian Native Friendship Centre is hosting a pancake breakfast open to everyone to celebrate National Aboriginal Day.

LOCATION: 11205-101 Street, Edmonton  
TIME: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
CONTACT: Dean Brown, Canadian Native Friendship Centre  
TEL: (780) 479-1999

## June 24-26, 2005

### City of Edmonton Weekend Festival

A showcase of Aboriginal music and dance with a First Nations tipi village, a Metis village and Inuit village. Other activities include various arts and crafts and different exhibits.

LOCATION: Legislature Grounds (10800 – 97 Avenue)  
TIME: 12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
CONTACT: Lise Robinson  
TEL: (780) 944-5544

## June 24-26, 2005

### National Aboriginal Day/ Centennial Pow Wow

This celebration will bring together many different Aboriginal groups to enjoy and take part in three days of song and dance.

LOCATION: Hangar on Kingsway Avenue  
CONTACT: Ryan Arcand  
TEL: (780) 633-2204

## June 24, 2005

### Smudging the Streets

Four Elders will be smudging the streets in four different sites as part of an ongoing project where prayers are said for the wellness of the Aboriginal community.

LOCATION: Wingate Hotel (18220 -100 Ave), Edmonton  
TIME: 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
CONTACT: Dean Brown, Canadian Native Friendship Centre  
TEL: (780) 479-1999