

Leading Our Nations: Sovereignty, Purpose & Integrity in First Nations Leadership

1808 Wellington Avenue Winnipeg, Manitoba R3H 0G3, Canada

September 1, 2026

Continental Breakfast & Registration

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08:00AM - 09:00AM

Opening Ceremony

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09:00AM - 10:30AM

Morning Break

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10:30AM - 10:45AM

Keynote: Senator Sol Sanderson

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10:45AM - 12:00PM

Speakers

Senator Sol Sanderson

Lunch Buffet

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12:00PM - 01:00PM

Keynote: Katherine Whitecloud

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01:00PM - 02:15PM

Speakers

Katherine Whitecloud

Afternoon Break

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02:15PM - 02:30PM

Breakout Session #1 - The Decision to Run: Understanding your

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Breakout Session #2 - Young Leaders & Rising Expectations

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**Breakout Session #3 - Leadership Wellness & Boundaries: The 24/7
Myth**

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**Breakout Session #4 - Council Protocols, Meetings & Professional
Conduct**

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**Breakout Session #5 - What Leadership Looks Like in First Nations
Governance**

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**Wellness Circles, Cedar baths, Reiki, Open mic reflection circles, Q&A
with Leadership experts**

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Breakfast & Registration

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Keynote: Steven Newcomb

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Speakers

Steven Newcomb - Doctrine of Discovery & Decolonizing Governance

Morning Break

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10:15AM - 10:30AM

Breakout Session #1 - Campaign Foundations: From Vision to Action

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Breakout Session #2 - Governance, Accountability & Transparency

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Breakout Session #3 - Managing Criticism, Conflict & Community Politics

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Breakout Session #4 - Public Speaking & Leadership Communication

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Breakout Session #5 - Legacy, Mentorship & Sustainable Leadership Pathways

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Lunch & Elder Teaching: Unmasking Entitlement & Power Dynamics

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12:00PM - 01:00PM

Keynote: Michael Birch

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Speakers

Grand Chief Michael Birch

Afternoon Break

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02:15PM - 02:30PM

Breakout Session #1 - Running an Ethical, Values-Based Campaign

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Breakout Session #2 - Unmasking Entitlement & Power Dynamics

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Breakout Session #3: Managing Leadership Stress

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Breakout Session #4: Life After Leadership, Developing an Exit Plan

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Breakout Session #5: Council & Administration: Understanding the Distinction

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02:30PM - 04:00PM

Breakfast & Networking

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08:00AM - 09:00AM

Panel #1 - Supporting Your Leaders

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09:00AM - 10:15AM

Speakers

TBD (Call for Presentors)

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Morning Break

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Panel #2 - Moving On Without Losing Yourself

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10:45AM - 12:00PM

Speakers

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Lunch

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Closing Keynote - Sophie Pierre

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Speakers

Chief Sophie Pierre - TBD

Closing Remarks & Ceremony

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