



**BCAFN Economic Development Forum**  
**May 16 – 17, 2022 | 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM**

**Hybrid Format**

**In-Person:** Sheraton Wall Centre, Vancouver, BC

**Moderator:** Chastity Davis-Alphonse

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**MONDAY, MAY 16, 2022**

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<b>8:00 – 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Registration Opens (Breakfast Served)</b>
<b>9:00 – 9:10 AM</b>	<b>Opening Prayer – Sheryl Rivers</b>
<b>9:10 – 9:30 AM</b>	<b>Opening Keynote – Regional Chief Terry Teegee</b>
<b>9:30 – 9:45 AM</b>	<b>BCAFN Economic Development Portfolio Update</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Michael Bonshor</b> – Principal, Visions Financial Services</li> </ul>
<b>9:45 – 10:30 AM</b>	<b>Co-Op Opportunity Panel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Carmen Ironstar</b> – Indigenous Business Development</li> <li>• <b>Vaughn Turnbull</b> – Western Nations</li> <li>• <b>Amber Wilkie</b> – Western Nations</li> <li>• <b>Mitch Cornelius</b> – The Grocery People</li> </ul>
<b>10:30 – 10:45 AM</b>	<b><i>Wellness Break</i></b>
<b>10:45 – 11:15 AM</b>	<b>Building Relationships Through Banking Panel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Satvir Gill</b> – Scotia Bank Senior Wealth Advisor</li> <li>• <b>TBA</b></li> </ul>
<b>11:15 – 11:45 AM</b>	<b>Indigenous Equity Participation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Miles Jolliffe</b> – Founder &amp; CEO Kinetic Canada</li> </ul>
<b>11:45 AM – 12:00 PM</b>	<b>Questions</b>
<b>12:00 – 1:00 PM</b>	<b><i>Lunch Break</i></b>
<b>1:00 – 1:30 PM</b>	<b>Petroglyph Development Group</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ian Simpson</b> – CEO, Petroglyph Development Group</li> </ul>
<b>1:30 – 2:00 PM</b>	<b>Salmon n’ Bannock</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Inez Cook</b> – Proprietor of Salmon n’ Bannock Bistro, author</li> </ul>

2:00 – 2:15 PM	<b>Collective Questions</b>
2:15 – 3:00 PM	<b>Business of Bannock: Women in Cultural Enterprise Panel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inez Cook – Owner, Salmon n’ Bannock</li> <li>• Kelsey Coutts – Co-Owner, Bangin’ Bannock</li> <li>• Destiny Hoostie – Co-Owner, Bangin’ Bannock</li> </ul>
3:00 – 3:15 PM	<b>Wellness Break</b>
3:15 - 3:45 PM	<b>Ts’amiks Development Corporation: A Nisga’a Urban Corporation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brad Mercer – Economic Development Officer, Ts’amiks Development Corporation</li> </ul>
3:45 – 4:25 PM	<b>Haida Storyteller</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kung Jaadee – Author of “Raven’s Feast” “Gifts from Raven”</li> </ul>
4:25 – 4:30 PM	<b>Closing Comments by Moderator Chastity Davis-Alphonse</b>

## TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2022

8:00 – 9:00 AM	<b>Breakfast Served</b>
9:00 – 9:10 AM	<b>Opening Prayer</b>
9:10 – 9:40 AM	<b>Opening Keynote – Kendal Netmaker</b>
9:40 – 10:10 AM	<b>Indigenous Food Sovereignty</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David Isaac – Principal, W Dusk Group</li> </ul>
10:10 – 10:30 AM	<b>Wellness Break</b>
10:30 – 10:45 AM	<b>Air Canada SB Solutions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Denise Flemig – Manager of Corporate Sales, Air Canada</li> </ul>
10: 45 - 11:00 AM	<b>Purolator Business Solutions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kavi Huliappa – Global Strategic Partnership Manager, Purolator</li> </ul>
11:00 – 11:15 AM	<b>International Trade</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. He Xiaomei (May He) – President of Winston College, International Trade Executive</li> </ul>
11:15 – 11:30 AM	<b>Amazon West</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Matt Turner – Strategic SMB Development, Amazon Western Canada</li> </ul>
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<b>Collective Questions</b>
12:00 – 1:00 PM	<b>Lunch Break</b>

1:00 – 1:30 PM	<b>BC Infrastructure Benefit Panel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Brenda Ireland</b></li> </ul>
1:30 – 1:45 PM	<b>Entrepreneurship On Reserve</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Clarence Apsassin</b> – CEO, YUUSE Industries Inc</li> </ul>
1:45 – 2:30 PM	<b>Wildlife Stewardship – Bringing Back the Caribou</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Elder George Desjarlais</b> – West Moberly First Nations</li> <li>• <b>Tamara Dokkie</b> – Land Use Manager, West Moberly First Nations</li> <li>• <b>Tim Burkhart</b> – B.C. Program Manager: Strategic Engagement and Peace Region, Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative</li> </ul>
2:30 – 2:55 PM	<b>Provincial Priorities: The Road to Reconciliation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The Right Honourable Ravi Kahlon</b> – Minister, Jobs, Economic Recovery and Innovation</li> </ul>
2:55 – 3:20 PM	<b><i>Wellness Break</i></b>
3:20 – 4:20 PM	<b>UNDRIPA: Implications of Federal Implementation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dr. Judith Sayers</b> – President, Nuuchahnulth Tribal Council</li> <li>• <b>William David</b> – Director of Economic Development, Assembly of First Nations</li> <li>• <b>Caleb Behn</b> – Director of Rights, Assembly of First Nations</li> <li>• <b>Jesse McCormick</b> – Director of Research, Innovation and Legal Affairs – First Nations Major Projects Coalition</li> </ul>
4:20 – 4:30 PM	<b>Closing Comments by Moderator Chastity Davis-Alphonse</b>