

May/Mii 2023 Newsletter



Taanishi kiiyawow/hello everyone

Coming Events

Kayhkway Chi Miichihk

On Saturday, May 6th from 11:00am-3:30pm, NIMA will be hosting our next 50+ luncheon at Robron. Yvonne Houssin, MNBC Region 1 Health Coordinator, will be coming up to talk about a Métis specific approach to health. Following that, members will have the opportunity to create their own smudge bundle. Please RSVP if you would like to attend.

Mamawi

On Sunday, May 7th starting at 1:00 pm, NIMA will be hosting the next Mamawi. This month members will have the opportunity to learn how to loom bead. Hot water will be on for tea.

All Métis women and 2SLGBTQQIA+ individuals are welcome. Children are welcome to attend and participate. If you require childminding, let us know ASAP so we can arrange for childcare.

Lispaas



This is a new drop-in group that will be held the second Friday of every month, from 1:00pm - 3:00pm, in our office at Robron. This will give you some extra time to get help working on projects that you have started with us. The next session will be held on May 12th.

Get Jiggy with Us!

This drop-in jigging group takes place the first Tuesday and third Thursday of every month, from 6:00pm-7:00pm at Robron and on Zoom. Look at our website for more information.

Pihtikway

This group gives members the opportunity to finish projects you may have previously started, such as hair tufting, beading or moccasins, start a new project or just come and enjoy some wonderful conversation and laughs. Children are welcome to attend with an adult, but no childminding is available. We are now offering tea and snacks at Pihtikway. The next Pihtikway will take place at Robron on Tuesday, May 30th from 6:00pm-8:00pm.

To stay up to date on resources and future events by visiting our website and following our social media.

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North Island Métis Association is honoured to
be celebrating

2023 Métis Graduates

(Grade 12 and Post Secondary graduates)

Saturday, June 3, 2023

Ceremony to commence at 11:00 at Robron Centre, followed by
lunch.

Please RSVP if you can make it:

events@nimetis.com

250-287-7417

Please note that Post Secondary grads from 2020-2023 are welcome to participate for us to celebrate your accomplishment.

RSVP for the ceremony as soon as possible for planning purposes. Each NIMA grad will receive a sash and a graduation gift with keepsake certificate.

Are you a NIMA member who is looking for a career supporting your Métis community? Check out our Careers Page (<https://www.nimetis.com/careers.html>) for more information!



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NIMA currently has these medicines available for members. Please stop by the office if you would like to pick some up.

- Sweetgrass
- Sage
- Mint
- Spruce Tips
- Labrador Tea
- Stinging Nettle

Have you checked out our Facebook page lately? On Fridays we post a Michif Word of the Week. We are currently wrapping up a Bison or Buffalo series and will be starting Animal Tracks in June.

To see all the facts, many great Bison jokes, and more photos from all our events, check out our website!



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
		1 Get Jiggy with Us – Robron/Zoom 6:00-7:00	2	3	4	5 Kayhkway Chi Mlchhik at Robron 11:00-3:30	6
7 Mamawi – Loom Beading at Robron 1:00-3:00		8	9	10	11 Lispaas at Robron 1:00-3:00		13
14 La Zhoornii poor Iii maamaa/Mother's Day		15	16	17 Get Jiggy with Us – Robron/Zoom 6:00-7:00	18	19	20
21	22 La zhoornii poor la reen/Victoria Day	23	24	25	26	27	
28	29	30 Piithkway at Robron 6:00-8:00	31				

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Bird – aen nwayzoo

My Mom – ni
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Jwaen/June 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 Graduation and Sashing Ceremony 11:00 at Robron
4 Mamawi – Loom Beading at Robron 1:00-3:00	5 Get Jiggy with Us – Robron/Zoom 6:00-7:00	6 Get Jiggy with Us – Robron/Zoom 6:00-7:00	7	8 Lispaas at Robron 1:00-3:00	9 Lispaas at Robron 1:00-3:00	10 Vancouver Island Metis Rendezvous in Cowichan Valley
11	12	13	14 Get Jiggy with Us – Robron/Zoom 6:00-7:00	15	16	17
18 La Zhoornii poor Iii Paapaa/Father's Day	19	20	21 Indigenous People's Day at Spirit Square (office closed)	22	23	24
25	26 Piitlikway at Robron 6:00-8:00	27	28	29	30	

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Embroidery – Ia
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My Dad – ni paapaa