

Healing Through Powwow with Naamahkamota

Darcy Turning Robe



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Participants will connect with Naamahkamota to hear first hand knowledge of the impact that powwows can have on a person's wellbeing through song, drum, dance and community gathering. By sharing personal stories, observations, and generational knowledge, Naamahkamota will create a vibrant visual of why powwows matter in the context of identity, reclamation, and healing. Naamahkamota is from Siksika Nation, and will speak to his knowledge of his community beliefs and practices.



Learning Outcomes:

- Powwows form a social gathering perspective to a spiritual connection to culture, language, and ancestral knowledge
- The importance of respecting songs, drumming and dances as a connection to becoming self aware and maintaining self healing
- The knowledge of some of the traditional protocols that exist in the powwow circle

Speakers:

Naamahkamota Darcy Turning, Siksika Knowledge Keeper, Eedesspoomoohsoop Healing Program Facilitator, Closer To Home Community Service. Naamahkamota Darcy Turning Robe lives and learns from other Knowledge Keepers, Elders and Ceremony People in his home community Siksika Nation. He is often approached to share his gift of songs and drumming with various groups to support healing, mental health, and addictions. Naamahkamota Darcy Turning Robe is a trusted facilitator and teacher within Mohkinstsis (Calgary), and is often sought after to support Indigenous events and workshops. He is also a trusted Knowledge Keeper with the Calgary Board of Education where he provides drum teachings to students



Target Audience: Members of First Nation, Métis and Inuit Communities, along with non-Indigenous people, will benefit from this teaching

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