

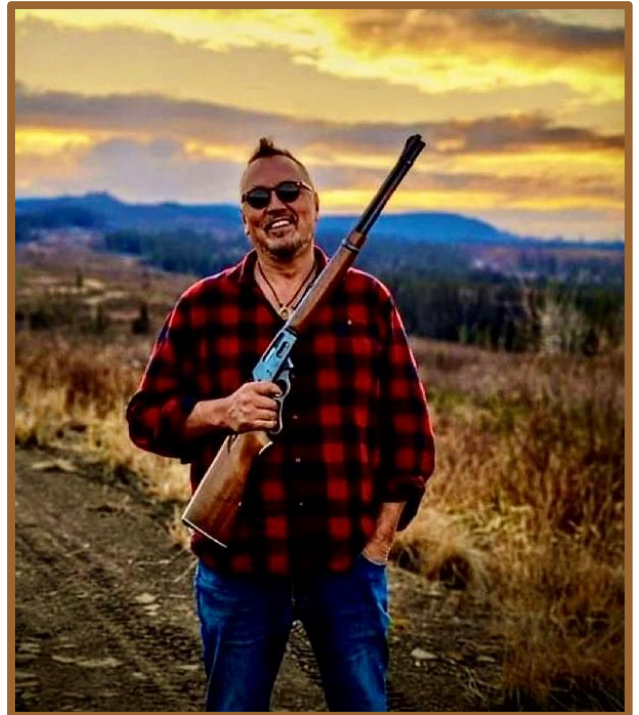
Riverside Cultural Experience (RCE)

SUMMARY

This July 2026, the Peace Region Metis Community Association (PRMCA) in Partnership with Amisk Farms and Klinse Za Cultural Society to host the first annual Indigenous Outdoor Camp in the north – called the Riverside Cultural Experience (RCE). This initiative is led by a group of community members who are dedicated individuals, focused on strengthening skills and providing opportunities for regional economic development and youth engagement opportunities. We do this by creating appropriate, culturally based programs that assist with obtaining the skills and education required to plan and host an outdoor cultural camping experience.

The Riverside Cultural Experience (RCE) is a transformative outdoor educational experience designed specifically for Indigenous youth aged 14 to 18. Located in the pristine wilderness of Northeast British Columbia, the camp offers a culturally immersive environment where participants engage deeply with their heritage and the natural world. Over the course of four days and three nights, youth develop practical skills and cultural knowledge through hands-on activities including:

- **Cultural Medicine Gathering:** Learning to identify, harvest, and respectfully use traditional plants for healing and ceremony, guided by Indigenous knowledge keepers.
- **Sweat Lodge Ceremonies:** Participating in sacred purification rituals that promote spiritual cleansing and community bonding.
- **Meat Rack and Dry Meat Preparation:** Practicing traditional food preservation methods that honor ancestral techniques and ensure sustainable use of harvested resources.



- **Traditional Farm and Gardening Techniques:** Cultivating native plants and food crops using Indigenous agricultural practices that emphasize harmony with the land.
- **Hunting and Fishing Skills:** Developing ethical hunting and fishing methods that respect animal populations and ecosystem balance.
- **Baking and Open Fire Cooking Experiences:** Preparing traditional meals over open flames to foster self-sufficiency and connection to ancestral culinary arts.

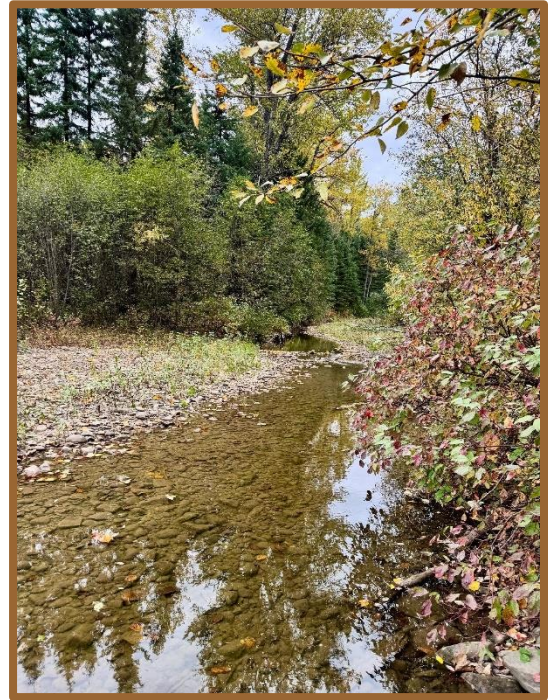
The camp is led by Amik Farms, a community-focused Indigenous agricultural initiative, and Art Napoleon, a respected Indigenous elder and cultural educator with decades of experience in land stewardship and cultural revitalization.

WHY WE DO THIS WORK

To counteract the erosion of Indigenous cultural knowledge caused by colonization, urbanization, and modern lifestyle shifts. Our mission is to:

- **Strengthen Indigenous Identity:** By reconnecting youth with their cultural roots, we nurture pride, self-esteem, and a strong sense of belonging.
- **Transmit Vital Survival Skills:** Teaching traditional land-based skills ensures that knowledge is preserved and adapted for future generations.
- **Enhance Wellness:** Nature immersion and cultural practices promote mental, emotional, and physical health, helping youth overcome trauma and build resilience.
- **Build Leadership and Community:** Empowering youth with skills and confidence to become future leaders who advocate for their communities and environment.

We believe that reconnecting youth with their ancestral lands and traditions is essential for the survival and flourishing of Indigenous cultures and kinship.



WHY YOUTH NEED TO GET BACK OUT INTO THE LANDS

The land is not just a physical place but the foundation of Indigenous worldviews, spirituality, and well-being. For Indigenous youth in Northeast British Columbia, reconnecting with the land:

- **Restores Traditional Knowledge:** Many cultural practices and ecological understandings have been lost or suppressed; returning to the land helps revive these essential teachings.
- **Provides a Safe Space for Healing:** The natural environment offers a peaceful setting for youth to process intergenerational trauma and build emotional strength.



• **Encourages Environmental Stewardship:** Youth learn to respect and protect their ecosystems, fostering sustainable resource use that benefits both people and nature.

• **Supports Cultural Continuity:** Hands-on learning with Elders and knowledge keepers ensures intergenerational transmission of culture, language, and values.

This reconnection is critical for reversing cycles of disconnection and marginalization.



IMPORTANCE OF RCE IN NE BC

Northeast BC is a region rich in biodiversity and Indigenous heritage but faces significant challenges including resource extraction industries, environmental degradation, and cultural disruption. The Riverside Cultural Experience (RCE) addresses these issues by:

- **Serving as a Cultural Hub:** The camp acts as a gathering place for Indigenous communities to celebrate and preserve their traditions.
- **Empowering Youth as Stewards:** Participants gain the knowledge and skills to advocate for and protect their lands and cultures.
- **Fostering Intercommunity Collaboration:** Bringing together youth from diverse Indigenous nations to share experiences, build solidarity, and strengthen networks.
- **Supporting Regional Revitalization Efforts:** Aligning with broader initiatives focused on cultural resurgence, environmental protection, and community wellness.

By investing in youth, the camp contributes to the long-term health and resilience of Indigenous peoples and their territories.

We are hosting the camp at Klinse Za Cultural Society, 20 youth will come and spend 3 nights in the wilderness under covers or teepees. The program will include a variety of cultural approaches to employment seeking, local educational opportunities, language revitalization, industry insight and recognizing those that desire to learn and embark on new experiences.

We are asking for your financial or “in-kind” contribution to this cultural and meaningful initiative. The budget to deliver the entire program, is \$95,000.00 and we would love support from your organization.

Budget:

Expense	Total Estimates
Camp Essentials / Safety Gear	\$29,500.00
Catering / Nourishment	\$5,800.00
Event Logistics	\$14,000.00
Facilities Rentals / Essentials	\$5,500.00
Kinship & Camp Engagement	\$5,700.00
Marketing / Promotion	\$2,500.00
Service Providers	30,000.00
Travel / Accommodations	\$2,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$95,000.00



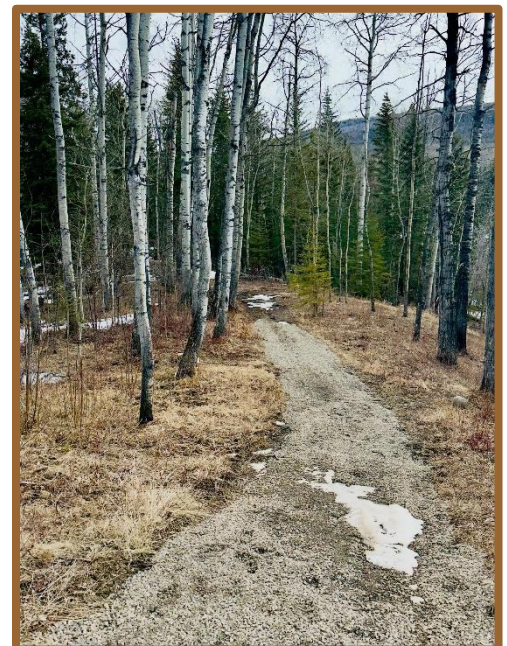
BENEFITS & VALUES FOR PARTNERS: WHAT YOUR DONATION MEANS

- **Community Engagement and Support:** Sponsors show they care about Indigenous communities and support cultural preservation, which builds strong relationships with local people.
- **Positive Brand Image:** Creates a positive reputation for sponsors as socially responsible and respectful of Indigenous heritage.
- **Unique Marketing Opportunities:** Sponsors can use the experience to create authentic stories and content that connect with audiences interested in culture, nature, and outdoor adventures.
- **Cultural Education and Awareness:** Helps spread knowledge about Indigenous traditions, history, and values, promoting respect and understanding among a wider audience.
- **Networking and Partnerships:** Build connections with Indigenous leaders, community members, and other organizations, opening doors for future collaborations.



- **Boosting Local Economy:** Donations help support local Indigenous guides, artisans, and service providers, contributing to economic growth in northern communities.
- **Environmental Stewardship:** The experience emphasizes living in harmony with nature, aligning sponsors with environmental protection and sustainable tourism values.
- **Employee Engagement and Team Building:** Sponsors can invite employees to participate or learn about the experience, improving team spirit and cultural sensitivity within their organization.
- **Media Exposure:** Events like this often attract media attention, giving sponsors free publicity and a chance to highlight their commitment to cultural and community causes.
- **Long-Term Impact:** Supporting Indigenous cultural experiences helps preserve traditions for future generations and promotes reconciliation and mutual respect.

- **Support Cultural Preservation:** Help keep Indigenous traditions alive and share them with new audiences.
- **Strengthen Community Ties:** Build trust and partnerships with Indigenous communities.
- **Enhance Corporate Social Responsibility:** Show your organization's commitment to diversity and inclusion.
- **Invest in Sustainable Tourism:** Promote respectful travel and environmental care.
- **Create Meaningful Experiences:** Offer something unique and impactful that benefits everyone involved especially the youth.
- By donating to this Indigenous Northern Outdoor Cultural Living Experience, sponsors make a lasting difference while gaining valuable benefits for their brand and community. Prominent recognition on all camp promotional materials, social media platforms, and event signage. Invitations to attend camp ceremonies, cultural events, and sponsor appreciation gatherings.



SPONSORSHIP LEVEL OPPORTUNITIES

Please consider one (or more) of the sponsorship options:

Outdoor Camp Host (one available)	\$10,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Be part of the RCE & participate in an activity◆ Signage placement in the Camp◆ Logo on all Camp marketing materials◆ Ability to attend camp sessions if desired◆ Mention in media releases	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Listing in all sponsorship lists◆ Recognition at the Camp and in final report◆ Signage at the event – prominent placement◆ Announcements of sponsorship at the Camp
Camp Supplies & Safety Gear Host (nine available)	\$5,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Be part of the RCE & participate in an activity◆ Signage placement in the Camp◆ Logo on all Camp marketing materials◆ Mention in media releases	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Listing in all sponsorship lists◆ Recognition at the Camp and in final report◆ Signage at the event – prominent placement◆ Announcements of sponsorship at the Camp
Food & Beverage Provision Host (nine available)	\$4,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Be part of the RCE and join us for a meal◆ Signage placement in the Camp◆ Mention in media releases◆ Listing in all sponsorship lists	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Recognition at the Camp and in final report◆ Signage at the event – prominent placement◆ Announcements of sponsorship at the Camp
Educational Materials & Cultural Host (nine available)	\$3,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Be part of the RCE & join a medicine walk◆ Signage placement in the Camp◆ Mention in media releases◆ Listing in all sponsorship lists	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Recognition at the Camp and in final report◆ Signage at the event – prominent placement◆ Announcements of sponsorship at the Camp
Infrastructure Host (nine available)	\$2,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Have your company name on the side of one of the out buildings (just for the week of the camp)◆ Signage placement in the Camp◆ Mention in media releases◆ Listing in all sponsorship lists	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Recognition at the Camp and in final report◆ Announcements of sponsorship at the Camp
Shuttle & Accommodation Host (nine available)	\$1,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Have your company name on shuttle◆ Signage placement in the Camp◆ Mention in media releases	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Listing in all sponsorship lists◆ Recognition at the Camp and in final report◆ Announcements of sponsorship at the Camp
Camp Partner	\$500
<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Signage placement in the Camp◆ Listing in all sponsorship lists	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Recognition at the Camp and in final report◆ Announcements of sponsorship at the Camp

RCE Sponsor / Partnership Form / July 2026

Riverside Cultural Experience (RCE) comes to life in Moberly Lake BC. The event will run for 3 nights and 4 days during the middle of July 16-23, 2026 at Amisk Farms and Klinse Za Cultural Society.

Today's Date: _____ Contact Name: _____

Organization / Company: _____

Mailing Address (including postal code): _____

(Phone) _____ (Fax) _____ (Email) _____

I/our organization is proud to sponsor the RCE and supporting our northern youth in the Peace Region.

- RCE Co-Host (\$10,000) Supplies & Safety Gear (\$5,000) F&B Provisions (\$4,000)
 Education & Culture (\$3,000) Infrastructure (\$2,000) Shuttle (\$1,000) Camp Partner (\$500)
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By signing this form, we agree to the above package and noted financial contribution as well as the return on investment that our organization will receive.

Printed Name

Signature

Today's Date

Invoices will be emailed to the contact noted above.

Cheques can be made out to Peace Region Metis Community Association, or an EFT can be sent to peaceregionmetisca@gmail.com

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Contact Stefanie, the Event Manager, for more info or to confirm your contribution and participation.

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