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NLC Celebrates Alberta Culture Days 2020

Slave Lake, Alberta (September 21, 2020): Northern Lakes College, known for its Supported Distance Learning model, is turning to technology to connect communities, presenters, and participants during Alberta Culture Days 2020 celebrations.

The schedule of events, which runs to the end of September, includes NLC Live Online[™] sessions with presenter Stan Isadore, who is a Treaty 8 Cultural Resource Worker, First Nations actor, and motivational speaker. In his session, *Exploring Indigenous Traditions and Teaching*, he shares his wisdom and knowledge of Indigenous practices including hunting, traditional face paint, and connection with fire.

The College has partnered with the Peace River Museum, Archives & Mackenzie Centre to provide community members the opportunity to learn about the culture and heritage of the Town of Peace River and Northern Peace Region. A social media-based event, #FeatureFriday runs every Friday for the month of September.

In collaboration with the Slave Lake Ukrainian Cultural Society, the College is running a series of sessions featuring traditional Ukrainian cooking, dance costumes, and interviews with dancers of the club.

The series of events ends on September 30 with Orange Shirt Day. The College encourages staff and students to wear an Orange Shirt on September 30, to recognize the experiences of the children who were taken from their families and placed in Residential Schools. Winners of the student draws for Orange Shirts will be encouraged to post photos wearing their shirts, alongside those of the College's Senior Leadership Team and Executive Assistants.

For full information on the College's Alberta Culture Days 2020 schedule of events, visit <u>https://www.northernlakescollege.ca/current-students/alberta-culture-days</u>.

These events, made possible through the Government of Alberta's Culture Days grant program, are part of the celebrations occurring throughout the province during Alberta Culture Days 2020. Alberta Culture Days 2020 runs throughout the month of September and is the province's largest celebration of our heritage, arts, community spirit, and cultural diversity. To learn more, visit www.AlbertaCultureDays.ca.

A distance learning college, Northern Lakes College provides the most accessible and flexible educational opportunities through innovative delivery. Utilizing its unique Supported Distance Learning (SDL) model, NLC assists 5,000 students annually to continue their education, improve their employment opportunities, and enhance their quality of life. Committed to its communities in northern Alberta and to its students, wherever they may be, NLC collaborates with business, industry, and other post-secondary institutions to benefit students and communities. Explore at www.northernlakescollege.ca.

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