



**Strides and Travels:
2019 AHNB
Pre-Conference Schedule
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METEPENAGIAG

HERITAGE PARK
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OETJI SGOALITIE GATI

In this full-day workshop hosted by Metepenagiag Heritage Park and facilitated by representatives of the Fredericton Region Museum, participants will participate in a Blanket Exercise unique to New Brunswick. They will also explore ways of decolonizing their own museum or historic site. Overall objectives include:

- Establish sensitivity and awareness for Indigenous experiences in Residential Schools and Day Schools in Atlantic Canada;
- Familiarise participants with the 94 Calls to Action and how they relate to Museums and Historic Sites;
- Explore ways of decolonizing their institution; and
- Draft a Reconciliation Policy and Action Plan that can be implemented upon return to their institution.

The intent is that each participant will walk away with a practical “Action Plan” for Reconciliation.

Morning Schedule:

- Begin with a smudging ceremony outside;
- Participate in a Blanket Exercise (in the museum);
- “Unpack” the experience with a Talking Circle;

Break for Lunch (included) – with optional tours of the museum and park (wear comfortable clothing and walking shoes)

Afternoon Schedule:

- Participate in a Project of Heart memorial tile activity;
- Explore Dr. Marie Battiste’s teachings around decolonization;
- Brainstorm on ways to decolonise New Brunswick’s museums and historic sites;
- Draft a Policy statement and action plan;

Close with a smudging ceremony and Q&A session about next steps in Reconciliation.

