

**A CIRCLE OF ALL NATIONS PRESENTATION
LEGACY WORK OF INDIGENOUS ELDER**

WILLIAM COMMANDA

2021 CAN FEB 14 FACEBOOK LIVE VIDEO EVENT

CAN Facebook Live Video Event

Session 2: Children and a Legacy of Hope

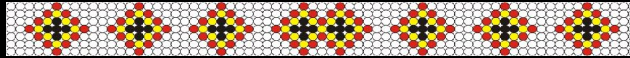
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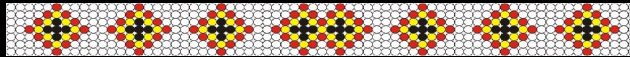
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Grandfather William Commanda Legacy 2020
A *Circle of All Nations* Geo Cosmic Prayer and Reflection

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Grandmother Moon and Morning Star, invoking the spirit of fire, enlightenment and the cosmic;
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Air, wind, movement animating water life emergent from the oxygen rocks of the *Kichissippi* Ottawa River,
Birch, wolf, eel and turtle honouring evolution, plant and animal life, Turtle Island and
Canoe acknowledging the ultimate nurturer, Mother Earth, and symbolizing the enigmatic *Journey of Life*

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A CIRCLE OF ALL NATIONS OJIGKWANONG PRAYER

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Heritage de Grand-Père William Commanda
Un cercle de prière de réflexion Génomiques de toutes les Nations.

Des symboles emblématiques d'importance pour la vision du monde de William Commanda sont incorporés dans cette image:

Grand-Mère la Lune et les Étoiles du matin, invoquant l'esprit de feu, d'illumination et de cosmique;

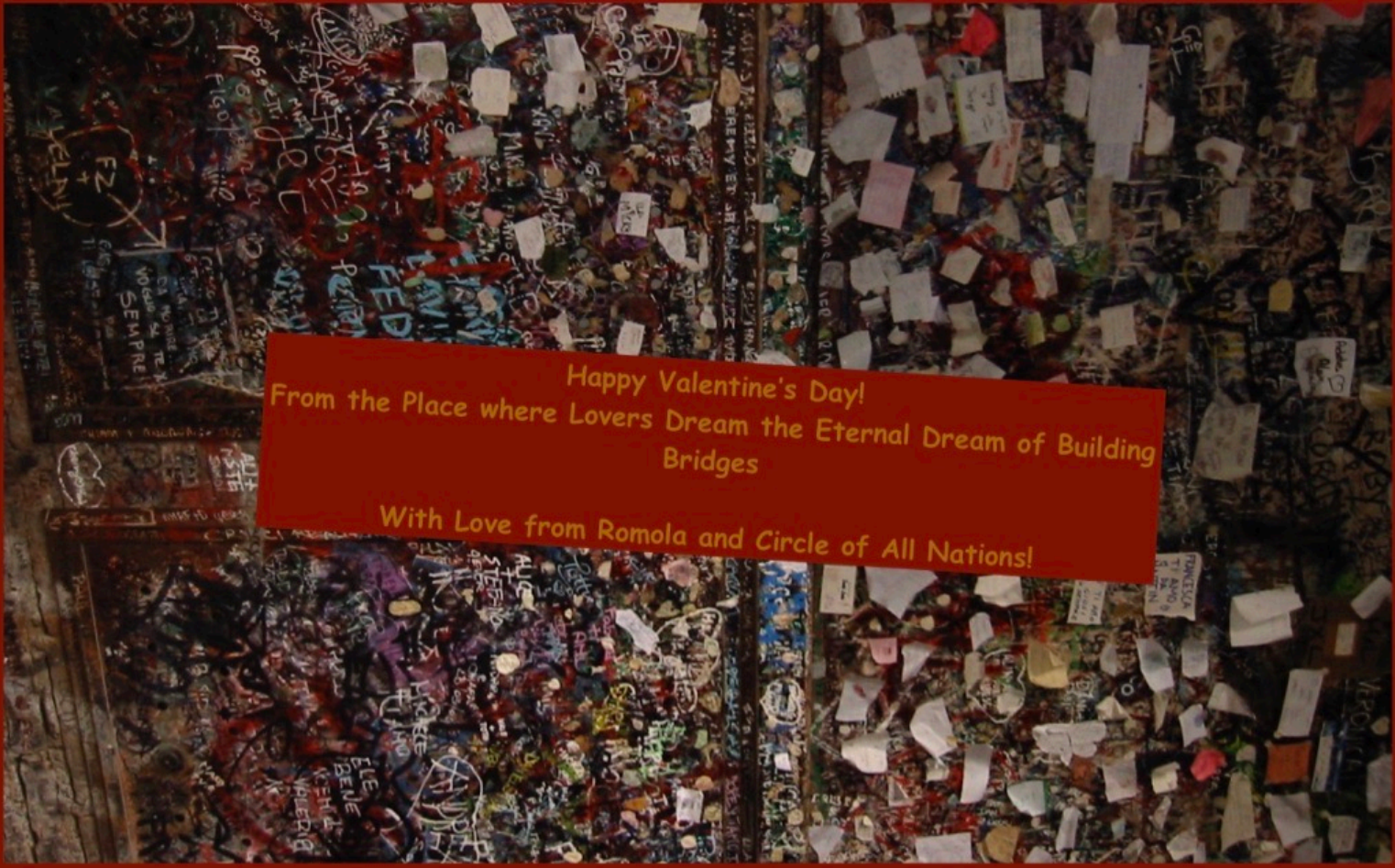
Asin et le *Giant endormi* commémorant la *Création Terrestre dans la roche*;

L'air, le vent, le mouvement animant la vie de l'eau émergent des roches et de l'oxygène du *Kichissippi* rivière des

Le bouleau, le loup, l'anguille et la tortue honorant l'évolution, la vie végétale et animale.

L'île de la Tortue et le canoé reconnaissant l'ultime nourricier, la Terre Mère, et symbolisant le voyage énigmatique de la vie.





Happy Valentine's Day!
From the Place where Lovers Dream the Eternal Dream of Building
Bridges
With Love from Romola and Circle of All Nations!

2021 CAN FB LIVE VIDEO EVENT Feb 14 – 1 – 3.30 pm

SYNOPSIS OF AGENDA

**CHILDREN! REFLECTING ON THE PAST to ANIMATE A LEGACY OF HOPE FOR THE FUTURE And
Introducing some upcoming CAN activities!**

AGENDA

- 1.00 Welcome and opening *Circle of All Nations* Geocosmic Prayer
Pekeshemoon music clip – a Grandfather William Commanda favourite
Recap of 2020 Facebook Live Events focused on Child and Youth Care

- 1.30 Canada and Children in the Building of the Nation - An Exploration
Building a legacy of hope by understanding some burdens of our past
Carolyn Andison, *Circle of All Nations*

2.00 Joining the conversation

Clayton Sandy, Indigenous activist and children and youth advocate, Winnipeg
<https://winnipeg-chamber.com/chamber-blog/charlie-coffeys-work-continues-to-shine-through-his-son/>

TRC https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yc6J8OvR-cl&list=PLJDRh3T-x_zShtrFWi6CEd4cJCq7FgBUK&index

Kuhle Ntintili, *National Association of Child and Youth Care Workers* National Coordinator,
Isibindi lezikoleni: How CYC Workers support school children in South Africa
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gNzxGJ89gxg> www.naccw.org.za

3.00

Upcoming work and presentations:

- i. **Farhan Wilayat** – Pakistani Peacekeeping Mission in Tharparkar - a banker building hand water pumps in villages in desert Pakistan – celebrating friendship with Circle of All Nations
<https://youtu.be/97DDhe8gVSc>

- ii. **Dr. Graciella Yanovsky FANCV Argentina.**
<https://fancvaniversarionacionesunidas24oct.blogspot.com/2020/10/blog-post.html?m=1>
<http://www.fancv.org.ar>

- iii. **Janet Mrenica – Global Climate Coaching Alliance** and collaboration on a *Circle of All Nations* presentation on March 4, 2021

Speaking as Nature: Animating a Circle of All Nations Approach in Coaching Practice – Climate Coaching Alliance

<https://www.climatecoachingalliance.org/event/meeting-or-networking-event-speaking-as-nature-animating-a-circle-of-all-nations-approach-in-coaching-practice/>

3.30

Open for chats with community at large – JOIN US!

WILLIAM COMMANDA, INDIGENOUS ELDER, WAMPUM CARRIER, HON PHD, OFFICER OF THE ORDER OF CANADA



THE LEGACY OF ALGONQUIN ELDER
L'HÉRITAGE DE L'AÎNÉ ALGONQUIN

Dr. William Commanda, OC

11.11.1913 - 03.08.2011

*"We must come together
with one heart, one mind, one love,
and one determination to create
A Circle of All Nations
A Culture of Peace."*

*"Nous devons nous unir avec un seul
cœur, une seule âme et une volonté
pour créer un cercle de toutes les
nations et une culture de paix."*

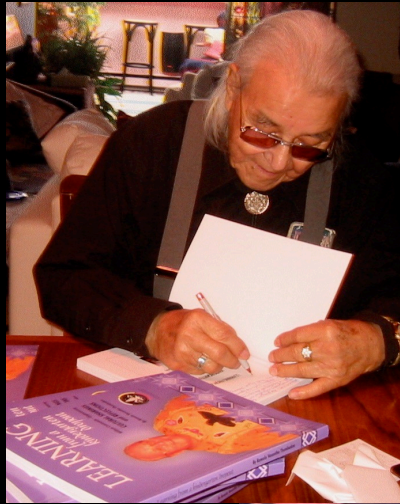


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A CULTURE OF PEACE

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**KINDERGARTEN DROPOUT,
PEACE (LMT), MOTHER EARTH (VI), HON PHD
CIRCLE OF ALL NATIONS: CAN BRIDGE TEACHING
AND LEARNING APPROACHES!**



WILLIAM COMMANDA, CIRCLE OF ALL NATIONS (CAN) AND SUSTAINABLE RELATIONSHIPS

CORE CAN THEMES

• IDEOLOGICAL FOUNDATIONS

- Canoe/Kayak Journeys
- Sustainable Relations
- Laws of Nature and Human Animals
- Nature/Tectonic Abrasion/Evolution/Peace
- Circle of All Nations Bridge Building
- Kindergarten Dropout PhD and OC
- Spiritual Trajectory to Knowledge
- 2020 Digital Mapping Retrospective and Reflection
- GINAWAYDAGANUC UBUNTU – All is Related
- CAN Sustainable Relations Goals for a Culture of Peace

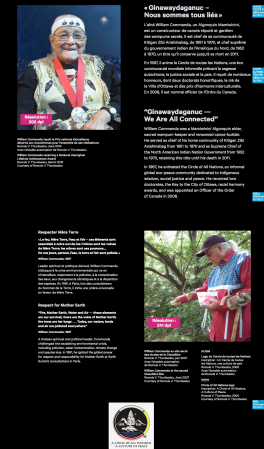
• ANIMATIVE ACTIONS

- 1945 Activism and Politics – as in Civil Rights!
- 1967 Canada 100; Eganville Gathering
- 1969 Gathering: Kitigan Zibi/Bitobi Lake
- National to Global – 1987, 1991, 1993 – ME and CC
- Agenda 21: Sustainable Development *1
- Sunbow Five Walk 1995 /96
- 1996 RCAP Report – Who will Drink the Water?*
- 1996 CAN Gatherings and Non-stop Outreach
- 2000 GlobalEcoPeace Posters and Gathering
- 2006 Waterlife Workshop; Sustainable Relations*2
- 2003 - Asinabka Vision for Sacred Chaudiere Site
- 2012 ... GWC and CAN in ACADEMIA – Bridge Building and Global Outreach

WHO IS WILLIAM COMMANDA?

- Carrier of sacred **Wampum** heritage
- Renowned birch bark **canoe maker** and craftsman
- **Political Algonquin leader**, elder, chief, chief the North American Indigenous Nations Government
- Founder of the **Circle of All Nations**, a global **eco-peace-community** dedicated to advancing environmental stewardship and racial harmony
- **Officer of the Order of Canada** and recipient of two **honorary doctorate degrees**
- University of Ottawa Chancellor Michaele Jean (GG) created **Commanda Hall** in recognition of his relevance to **academic knowledge in 2014**
- **Canadian History Hall : Commanda panel and message**

William Commanda, Ojigkwanong
(Étoile du matin – Morning Star)



CHILDREN AND THE BUILDING OF NATIONS

Key Presentation

Canada and Children in the Building
of the Nation

An Exploration

Building a Legacy of Hope by
Understanding Some Burdens of our
Past

Carolyn Andison, [Circle of All Nations](#)



INDIGENOUS PERSPECTIVES

Clayton Sandy

Indigenous activist and children
and youth advocate, Winnipeg



SOUTH AFRICAN WORK IN ACTION

Kuhle Ntintili

*National Association of Child and
Youth Care Workers National
Coordinator*

Isibindi Ezikoleni: CYC Workers
support School Children!





**CIRCLE OF ALL
NATIONS
HONOURED**

**FOUR CAN WATER
PUMPS HELP
VILLAGERS IN
THARPARKAR
DESERT, PAKISTAN**

1000 MORE NEEDED

NEW WORK, NEW COLLEAGUES AND SPECIAL NEW CAN COLLABORATION!



Farhan Wilayat

Pakistani Peacekeeping Mission in Tharparkar

BUILDING HAND WATER PUMPS FOR VILLAGERS IN THE DESERT AREA



Dr. Graciela Yanovsky

Ongoing Collaboration with Circle of All Nations on UNESCO - ECOSOC Priorities

ENVIRONMENT, PEACE and INDIGENOUS PRIORITIES



Janet Mrenica

Global Climate Coaching Alliance

SPEAKING AS NATURE: ANIMATING A CIRCLE OF ALL NATIONS APPROACH IN COACHING PRACTICE

CYBERCARTOGRAPHY, CYBERNETIC GUIDANCE, FB LIVE: ENCORE VIVANT WILLIAM COMMANDA!

CYBERCARTOGRAPHY
Ancient Knowledge Base and Contemporary Application

More than a decade ago, Dr. R. Iverson Taylor, Director of the Center for Geographic Research (GCR) at the Catholic University, the academic pioneer in the field of cybercartography, wrote that this technology would see cartography applied to a much wider range of topics than had traditionally been the case. "It will also utilize an increasing range of emerging media, forms and telecommunication networks such as the Internet and the World Wide Web. It will be a multidimensional cartography using multimedia formats and is more likely to be an integral part of an informative package than a stand-alone product. Cybercartography will also be highly interactive and engage the user in new ways. In organizational terms, it will see new partnerships being created between national mapping organizations, the private sector and educational institutions and the products of cybercartography are likely to be compiled by teams of individuals from very different disciplines and professional perspectives working together." (Taylor and Dyn...

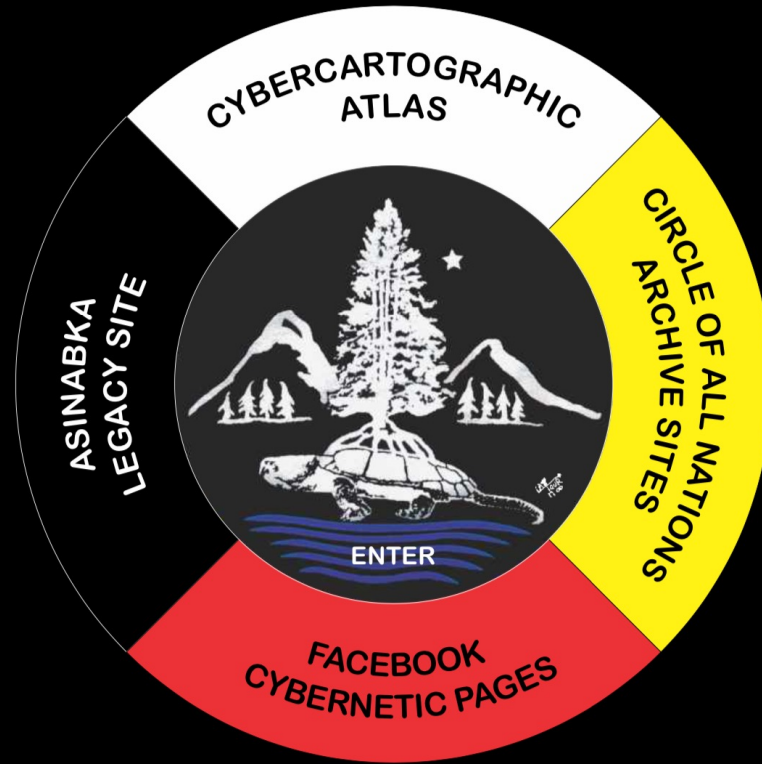


William Commanda
August 3 at 5:40 AM · 🌐

Special Day - It was 8 years ago around this moment that Grandfather William Commanda began his next journey - remembering him and his special life and outreach to the family and friends and Circle of All Nations who animated his work - ever grateful for his example and inspiration and his energy which still embraces all of us. I wondered what photo would present this morning - well, here it is! More later!

7,712 People Reached 1,760 Engagements [Boost Post](#)

Circle of Life: Donald Marshall Junior



WILLIAM COMMANDA LEGACY
A CIRCLE OF ALL NATIONS
GLOBAL ECO PEACE COMMUNITY

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