



WILLIAM COMMANDA'S VISION: A LEGACY OF PEACE AND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

"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."
... William Commanda

Event: **Saturday Aug 10, 2024 (2 - 4:30 PM)** (including tea & mingling)
at Tanglewood Park Community Centre, 30 Woodfield Drive, Nepean.

About the Event and Speakers

Join us for a compelling exploration into the life and impact of Algonquin Elder William Commanda, OC, Hon PhD. As a celebrated peace activist and environmental guardian, Commanda's contributions have left an indelible mark on our world. Born just before the outbreak of the First World War, he emerged as a beacon of peace, continuing to inspire even 13 years after his passing in August 2011.

This event is proudly hosted by the Mahatma Gandhi Peace Council of Ottawa in partnership with the Circle of All Nations, the global eco-peace community established by Grandfather Commanda. The afternoon will feature heartfelt greetings from his daughter Evelyn and his biographer, Romola Thumbadoo, alongside an insightful presentation of his pioneering work in environmental conservation and peace. Romola will share her unique insights, rooted in her South African heritage and familial connections to the Gandhi family.

The session will also include a conversation on Commanda's connections with Mahatma Gandhi's international peace initiatives, complemented by a display of posters and informational materials.

Join us afterwards for tea and informal discussions, deepening our collective understanding and appreciation of Commanda's legacy and parallels with Gandhian's principles.



Speakers
Evelyn Commanda Dewache
Romola V. Thumbadoo, PhD

Evelyn, daughter of the late Algonquin Elder Dr. William Commanda, OC, has dedicated decades to promoting Indigenous awareness, cross-cultural relations, social justice, and environmental stewardship in her community and internationally.

Romola, a postdoctoral researcher and writer, is the coordinator and CEO of the **Circle of All Nations**, an eco-peace initiative by Indigenous Elder William Commanda.

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