



Hello! Welcome to the *Circle of All Nations* Website. A 2024 Message from Romola

I started co-creating this website with William Commanda in 2000 - and I would be remiss if I left you with the impression that this is all his work: it is as much a sharing of his views as it is a reflection of how I understood his world from his direct sharing with me over 15 years, and how I integrated this with my understanding of things, such that it reflects the interface of our views. He reviewed all our written and visual expressions till his passing. His affirmation of my textual, vocal and graphic re-presentation of our *Circle of All Nations* views was affirmed by his gesture of winding me up at our meetings and gatherings to encourage me to speak - indeed to insist I speak our view! I have perhaps been remiss to not do that more assertively over the past years, because this has at times left his knowledge, work and wisdom vulnerable to lesser interpretations.

It is not often kindred spirits get to share their joint views on life so intimately, and we were blessed in this regard; now technology permits us to reach others who are interested in the life and legacy of William Commanda. (It is also noted that countless peoples have had direct connection with him too, and they affirm their relationships with him in their ways).

This website then is a sharing of the views that William Commanda and I examined, discussed and articulated, based on his synthesis of his eight plus decades of lived experience and extensive historical, cultural and spiritual knowledge, during the last fifteen years of his life, and my own personal and professional experience, knowledge and passions; it is all grounded in the views, work, knowledge, wisdom and legacy of a singular Indigenous spiritual and historical leader. In it, we present a living hope for humanity - for a *Circle of All Nations, a Culture of Peace*.

We have and we continue to create this website to reach a diversity of interests - Indigenous, grassroots, academic and more - and we provide self-contained micro and macro modules of our thinking, in textual and graphic online formats, in detailed report and in our academic papers and research. We have created a Table of Contents overview of our website to facilitate your entry at any point that might interest you.

Please check out our new *Circle of All Nations* Landing Page at www.circleofallnations.ca, for substantive information on the ideology and animation of our global eco community, chronological and thematic blogs, archival documents and academic research of the past decades. The landing page takes you to our online work, photos and reports, which span multiple diverse knowledge streams and interests. It makes all our archival and contemporary work readily accessible to all – it is our one-stop centre to bridge building across incommensurabilities in the age of information, digital communications and global communications – it constitutes our Virtual Asinabka Think Tank and Digital Global Village, and represents our effort to create bridges in Indigenous grassroots community, non-governmental organizations and government, academia, philanthropy and the corporate sector thinking and strategizing in a world on fire.

Please check our two archival *Circle of All Nations* and this, our new website which will primarily present blogs and our growing photo gallery; you can also reach our Asinabka site, which holds extensive historical documentation on the William Commanda Legacy Vision for the Sacred Chaudière Site and related challenges; the Landing Page also leads to our place-based modality, our Cybercartographic Digital Atlas, a significant component of the William Commanda doctoral research at Carleton University: it is a live archive repository of our work and it maps William Commanda's travels and our ongoing outreach across the world. Finally, it also links to our five Facebook pages and other online sites, which we term our Cybernetic time-paced modality. Join us, share your passions and become a part of Grandfather William Commanda's global eco-peace community! Ginawaydaganuc! Everything is inter-related!

Welcome to our *Circle of All Nations, a Culture of Peace!*

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