



# BC AFN Social & Cultural Events Program

## UPDATED PROGRAM!

The BC Assembly of First Nations (BC AFN) is proud to be hosting the upcoming AFN Annual General Assembly (AGA) that will be held from July 24-26th in Vancouver, BC, the traditional territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-waututh First Nations. The BC AFN is planning a series of exciting Social and Cultural Events for the AGA that will showcase local First Nations art, music, food, fashion and culture.

**Sponsorship opportunities are still available, please contact Claire Marshall at [claire@marshallassociates.ca](mailto:claire@marshallassociates.ca)**

### JULY 23<sup>rd</sup>

#### OFFICIAL WELCOME RECEPTION AT THE VANCOUVER ART GALLERY

The Welcome Reception is available for all delegates and sponsors the evening of Monday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> before the start of the Annual General Assembly. Following a welcome from Coast Salish First Nations, the experience will include dancing and singing showcasing First Nations culture as well as Indigenous cuisine. Guests will have access to an exhibition that presents the performance art and collaborations of Ayumi Goto & Peter Morin: how do you carry the land? The welcome reception is an excellent opportunity to reconnect with old friends and make new ones before the work of the General Assembly begins. Registered delegates may pre-register for free tickets at <http://welcomereception2018.eventbrite.ca>

### JULY 24<sup>th</sup>

#### THE SPORTSBAR AT ROGERS ARENA, HOME OF THE CANUCKS!

Delegates and sponsors will be treated to a high-energy experience in Vancouver's longest bar featuring entertainment by Squamish Nation's Tewanee Joseph's local rock band Bitterly Divine. This event includes a cash bar and complimentary appetizers. NHL alumni may be making a special guest appearance at this function. The evening is sponsored by the Aquilini Group. Registered delegates may pre-register for free tickets at <http://rogersarena2018.eventbrite.ca>

### JULY 25<sup>th</sup>

#### GALA EVENING

The Gala Evening promises to be a stellar, not-to-be-missed event of celebration in honour of the newly-elected National Chief. A highlight of the evening will be prominent emcee, First Nations actor and doctor, Evan Adams. The evening will begin with a networking reception at the Fairmont Hotel Vancouver, followed by three-course dinner and fashion show. The after party will feature live performances from Juno award winner Murray Porter and his band, hip-hop DJ O Show and more. Tickets still available at <http://afngala.eventbrite.ca>

Stay tuned for more information on local Indigenous cultural tours and activities organized by Indigenous Tourism BC <https://www.indigenousbc.com/>

For more information on the Annual General Assembly, and on how to register as a delegate, please refer to <http://www.afn.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/18-03-27-AFN-Annual-General-Assembly-Notice-EN-final.pdf>