

RoseAnne Archibald

RoseAnne Archibald of Taykwa Tagamou Nation, is a strength-based and heart-centered leader, with 31 years of experiences in First Nations politics. RoseAnne is a third generation Chief in her family whose leadership has been ground-breaking and historical for women and youth. She was the first woman and youngest Chief elected for Taykwa Tagamou Nation (TTN) in 1990 at 23 years of age. She was also the first woman and youngest Deputy Grand Chief for Nishnawbe-Aski Nation (NAN), as well as the first female and youngest Grand Chief for Mushkegowuk Council. She served a second term as Chief of TTN, and a second term as NAN Deputy Grand Chief. For nine years, she ran a successful consulting business providing advice and guidance to First Nations leaders, and organizations, specializing in negotiations and facilitation. She returned to politics in 2018

becoming the first woman to be elected as Ontario Regional Chief.

Education is a priority and essential to self-determination. RoseAnne holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree and was the first member of her community to complete a Master's Degree (Humanities). She has also been awarded the prestigious "Canada 125 medal" for having "made a significant contribution to Canada" through her leadership.

Positive and lasting change requires creative and innovative thinking and ways of being. RoseAnne balances her political life with creativity and art practice. She is a multi-disciplinary artist whose work focuses on political art, landscape and portrait photography, music and as well as documentary short films that reflect a personal passion for social justice, political engagement and community building.

RoseAnne has dedicated her adult life to serving and striving to create a better quality of life and future for First Nations people. She represents a generational change, bringing diplomacy and encouraging unity in the First Nations political system, while breaking down barriers since the start of her political career.

For the last three years as Ontario Regional Chief (ORC), RoseAnne worked tirelessly and collaboratively with the Ontario Leadership Council to ensure that the Chiefs of Ontario organization turned a corner to be fully financially responsible, accountable, and answerable to the Chiefs, resulting in a restructured and stable advocacy organization. She has made positive changes during her term including a strong and effective pandemic response that focused on saving lives and preserving the health and well-being of First Nation citizens; improved relationships with the federal and provincial governments; the establishment of a Council of Elected Women Chiefs; and the creation of an Economic Growth and Prosperity Table.

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