



The Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario recognizes and celebrates the contributions of twenty-one inspirational First Nations, Métis and Inuit women in Canada

Ma-Nee Chacaby

Cree/Ojibway, Ombabika First Nation, Elder, Storyteller, Visual Artist, Activist, Actor, Author.

Jeannette Corbiere Lavell

Anishinaabe, Activist, Author, Founding Member - Ontario Native Women's Association, Indigenous Women of the Americas, and Anduhyaun Inc.

Jody Wilson-Raybould

Descendant of the Musgamagw Tsawataineuk and Laich-Kwil-Tach Peoples, Member of the We Wai Kai Nation, Lawyer, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada.

Carey-Leigh Thomas

Haudenosaunee, Six Nations, Athlete - Women's National Softball Team, Teacher.

Dr. Cindy Blackstock

Member of the Gitksan First Nation, Executive Director - First Nations Child and Family Caring Society of Canada, Professor, Advocate, Author, Public Speaker.

Josephine Mandamin

Anishinaabe, Wikwemikong Unceded Territory, Environmentalist, "The Water Walker," 2015 Lieutenant Governor's Ontario Heritage Award Recipient.

Dr. Pamela Doris Palmater

Mi'kmaq, Eel River Bar First Nation, Lawyer, Professor, Author, Public Speaker, Activist, Holds 4 University Degrees, Spokesperson/Educator - Idle No More.

Laura Arngna'naaq

Inuk of the Kivalliq Region, Nunavut, Activist, Artist, Scholar, Chartered Accountant, Co-Founder - Torontoniutaujugut.

Alethea Arnaquq-Baril

Inuk, Iqaluit, Nunavut, Activist, Filmmaker, Producer, Director, Owner - Unikkaar Studios Inc., Founding Member - TV Nunavut Educational Broadcast Society.

Sheila Watt-Cloutier

Inuk, Kuujuaq, Nunavik, Author, Public Speaker, Environmentalist, Cultural/Human Rights Advocate, Pioneer of Linking Climate Change to Human Rights.

Meeka Kilabuk

Inuk, Pangnirtung, Nunavut, Teacher, Fashion Designer, 2012 Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond Jubilee Medal Recipient, Founding Member - Nunavut Council of People with Disabilities.

Mary J. May Simon

Inuk, Kangirsualuujuaq, Nunavik, President - Inuit Circumpolar Council, Canadian Ambassador for Circumpolar Affairs (Foreign Affairs), President - Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami.

Tanya Tagaq Gillis

Inuk, Nunavut, Traditional Inuit Throat Singer, Artist, Recipient of Several Music Awards.

Jessie Aputi Fraser

Inuk, Sanikiluaq, Nunavut, Inuit Throat Singer, Early Childhood Educator, Inuit Language and Cultural Advocate, Journalist, Youth Representative.

Christi Belcourt

Michif (Métis), Visual Artist, Activist, Author, Founding Member - Walking With Our Sisters, 2015 Art Gallery of Ontario "People's Choice" Recipient.

Nicola I. Campbell

Métis/Nle7kepmx/Nsilx, Award-Winning Author, Scholar.

Maria Campbell

Métis, Author, Activist, Playwright, Filmmaker, Teacher.

Tantoo Cardinal

Métis/Cree/Nakota, Actor, Writer, Public Speaker, Order of Canada Award Recipient.

Hon. Senator Dr. Thelma Julia Chalifoux

Métis, Appointed to the Senate of Canada, Honourary Doctorate Recipient, Public Speaker, Lecturer, Founding Member - Michif Cultural and Resource Institute.

Marilyn Dumont

Cree/Métis, Writer, Poet, Author, Instructor.

Dr. Olive Patricia Dickason

Métis, Journalist, Historian, Professor, Writer, Activist.

