

Annual Madeleine Kētēskwew Dion Stout Lecture

# Life after residential school



## Louise Bernice Halfe

Canada's ninth Parliamentary Poet Laureate

**Thursday, November 16, 2023**  
**6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**  
**Carleton University Art Gallery**

Louise Bernice Halfe – Sky Dancer was raised on Saddle Lake Reserve and attended Blue Quills Residential School. Louise is married, has two adult children and three grandsons. She graduated with a Bachelor of Social Work from the University of Regina. She also completed two years of Addictions Counselor Training at St. Albert's Nechi Institute where she also facilitated the program. She served as Saskatchewan's Poet Laureate for two years and has traveled extensively for her poetics and to present at numerous conferences. She has received numerous accolades and awards including honorary doctorates from Wilfred Laurier University, the University of Saskatchewan, and Mount Royal University. Louise also serves as an elder or knowledge keeper at the University of Saskatchewan and the Saskatchewan Health Authority, Virtual Hospice, Opik, and others. She actively participates in cultural and ceremonial activities relevant to her Plains Cree culture.

Reception with light refreshments after the lecture



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