

The Mobile Decolonial Do Tank (MDDT) Pilot Project
La Rochelle Museums' curators visit three Indigenous Nations in Canada
M'Chigeeng, Kahnawake, Siksika, Montréal, Calgary et Ottawa
And meet with museums curators in three Canadian cities: Montréal, Calgary, Ottawa
June 25 - July 5, 2024

Participants :

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Programming:

Elegoa Cultural Productions and **daphne** in collaboration with
Adrian Stimson, Barry Ace, the **Ojibwe Cultural Foundation, Alicia Ibarra and Catherine Sicot**.
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Glenbow.

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Itinerary:

June 25th:

Meeting with **Lisa Truong**, Collaboratrice Projet Morrisseau, Carlton University

June 26th:

Day at **M'Chigeeng** hosted by **Sophie Corbière** from the **Ojibwe Cultural Foundation**.
Teaching by Elders/knowledge keepers **Alma Jean Migwans** and **Art Jacko**.
Spontaneous invitation to a ceremony.

June 27th:

Road trip From Manitoulin Island through Bruce peninsula to Toronto Pearson Airport.

June 28th:

Meeting at **Glenbow (Calgary)** with **Daryl Betenia**, Director, collections and curatorial, and **Joanne Schmidt**, Curator, Indigenous Studies & World Cultures.
Visit of the vault and of *nikihci-âniskotâpân bloodline* de **Meryl McMaster** (mixed nêhiyaw/Métis and Anglo/Dutch).
Meeting with artist **Adrian Stimson** and **Grant**, Knowledge keeper at the **Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park Adrian Stimson** (Siksika Nation)
Grand Entry pow wow Siksika Nation

June 29th:

Visit of Siksika territory led by Adrian Stimson and diner hosted by Adrian and partner, Happy.

July 2d:

Day in **Kahnawake** hosted by knowledge keeper from the **Kahnawake Tourism Office** and by **Wahsontiio Cross**, Associate Curator, Indigenous Ways and Decolonization. National Gallery of Canada and member of Nation Kanien'kéha:ka de Kahnawà:ke.

July 3d :

Day in **Montréal**

Meeting with **Jonathan Lainey**, Conservateur Cultures autochtones, Musée McCord Stewart / visit of permanent exhibition (*Voix autochtones d'aujourd'hui: savoir, trauma, résilience*) and temporary exhibition (*Présence du passé - Mc Snow* artiste Kanien'kehá:ka)

Meeting with members of **daphne**, Indigenous art centre – **Alicia** and **Amanda Ibarra**, **Marko** and artist **Nico Williams**, membre de la Aamjiwnaang First Nation (Anishinaabe) / visit of the exhibition (*Résistez avec amour: Les Xtopias de Solomon Enos* (Indigenous artist from Hawaii) - curator: **Skawennati** Nation Kanien'kehá:ka)

July 4th:

Day in **Ottawa**

Meeting with **John Moses**, Director, Repatriation & Indigenous Relations, **Canadian Museum of History**

Meeting at the **National Gallery of Canada** with **Steve Loft**, VP, Indigenous Ways & Decolonization | VP, Voies autochtones et décolonisation, **Michelle LaVallee**, Director, Indigenous Ways & Decolonization and **Rachelle Dickenson**, Associate Curator. Visit of the exhibitions *Radical Stitch* and *Shelley Niro* (Nation Kanien'kehá:ka): *500 ans de réflexion*)

July 5th:

Meeting with **Léuli Eshrāghi**, Curator, Indigenous Arts, **Montréal Museum of Fine Arts**.