

Film documenting Indigenous Vision for Chaudière Falls shown at Kitchissippi United Church - Feb 19, 2017



Circle of All Nations participated in a screening of the documentary THE AWAKENING produced by late Jeremy Wright for the CAN Gathering in Perth in 2017 - organized by Judith Matheson and her team. The paintings by Craig Campbell were the gift presented to Grandfather Commanda - and it depicts the prayer for the CHAUDIERE FALLS - THIS FROM A DECADE AGO - Jeremy Wright and Grandfather may have moved on, but the work seeded is still alive and sprouting!

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Date/Time

Date(s) - Sunday, February 19

7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Location

[Kitchissippi United Church](#)

The public is invited to Kitchissippi United Church, 630 Island Park Drive, on Sunday, February 19 at 7 p.m. for a screening of the documentary *Awakening* featuring the late Elder William Commanda's vision for Chaudière Falls and the surrounding islands.

The evening will also feature authors David Mulholland and Romola Thumbadoo reading short passages from their books.

From *Chaudière Falls*, his new novel of dramatized history, which ties into our sesquicentennial celebrations, Mr. Mulholland will read scenes describing Hull Township founder Philemon Wright's first encounter with Algonquins living in the area.

Ms. Thumbadoo will read excerpts from *Learning from a Kindergarten Dropout*, her photo journal delineating William Commanda's teachings, which helped to earn him an Honorary Doctorate Degree from the University of Ottawa, *un doctorate honorifique* from *l'université du Québec-Outaouais*, an Officer of the Order of Canada, and the 2010 Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Aboriginal Achievement Foundation.

Hopefully, the film and readings will generate new insights into the proposed development at the falls. Those wishing to do so, may participate in a Sharing Circle to voice their thoughts on this contentious issue and its possible affect on future generations of Indigenous and non-indigenous Canadians.

Admission is free, but a donation of \$5.00 (or more) would be appreciated to offset costs incurred to organize the evening.

All are welcome. (The church cannot be seen from Island Park Drive. Turn onto Byng Drive off Island Park.)