



The MNA 5th ANNUAL BUSINESS MIXER SEMINAR
Connecting Our Métis Community

Date: Thursday, March 22, 2018

Place: Edmonton Inn and Conference Centre, 11834 Kingsway Ave NW, Edmonton, AB

Room: Wildrose 3

Time	Presentation	Speaker
9:00 AM – 9:10 AM	<i>Welcome and Introduction</i>	Bruce Gladue Director, Métis Rights and Accommodation <i>Métis Nation of Alberta</i>
9:10 AM – 9:50 AM	<i>Indigenous Tourism Opportunities in Alberta</i> Are you interested in tourism? Learn more about the opportunity for Indigenous tourism in Alberta and the resources available to help you succeed. From business start up to market and export readiness, this session will introduce you to three key tourism organizations available to assist Indigenous tourism entrepreneurs: Alberta Culture and Tourism, Travel Alberta and the Indigenous Tourism Association of Canada.	Brenda Holder and Lori Beaver <i>Indigenous Tourism Alberta</i> Tracey Desjardins <i>Travel Alberta</i> Laura McGowan <i>Alberta Culture and Tourism</i>
Break	Break	Break
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	<i>Métis Crossing: Moving Forward</i> Métis Crossing Phase II Cultural Gathering Centre, a long-time dream of the MNA, is quickly becoming a reality. This presentation will provide an overview of the new Centre, its programs and design. Manasc Isaac Architects will also outline opportunities in the construction process for Métis citizens and contractors.	Juanita Marois <i>Métis Crossing</i> Vivian Manasc and Tiffany Collinge <i>Manasc Isaac Architects</i>
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11:10AM – 11:30 AM	<i>Métis Nation of Alberta: Contractor Database</i> The Métis Contractor Database is designed to grow our Métis professionals and businesses in Alberta. The services offered by the database match qualified people and companies with prospective industry, employer, and business partners. With these services, prospective business partners and employers will have all they need to target projects in key industries to maximize Métis involvement.	MNA in Partnership With TransCanada
Seminar Ends 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Seminar Ends The MNA 5th Annual Business Mixer Tradeshow in the Courtyard.	Seminar Ends