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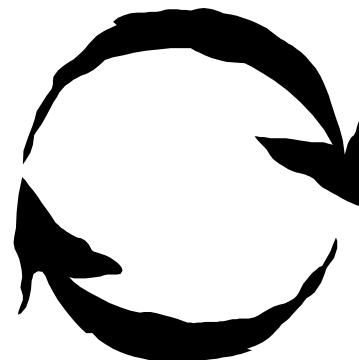


Circles of Strength

Drop-In Support Sessions for Aboriginal Students
Mondays, 12:00-1:00 pm
Building 355, Room 108

Drop in will provide an opportunity to:

- ⇒ Meet others on campus
- ⇒ Find support in adjusting to college life
- ⇒ Here others' stories and tell yours
- ⇒ Find strength in each other
- ⇒ Learn new study skills
- ⇒ Learn new coping skills



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For more information, call First Nations Student Services at 740-6510

Aboriginal Post-Secondary Visitation Day

Thursday, March 23, 2006

Adult students along with students in Grade 10, 11 and 12 attending school on Vancouver Island have an opportunity to spend a day at Malaspina in March. The day includes campus tours, student and faculty presentations, admissions information, lunch and a keynote speaker. Call Lynne MacFadgen at (250) 740-6414 for further information or to volunteer for this exciting event!

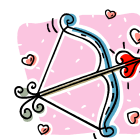
The History of Valentine's Day

“According to one legend, Valentine actually sent the first ‘valentine’ greeting himself. While in prison, it is believed that Valentine fell in love with a young girl who visited during his confinement. Before his death, it is alleged that he wrote her a letter, which he signed ‘From your Valentine,’ an expression that is still in use today.” ~ Courtesy of The History Channel.com

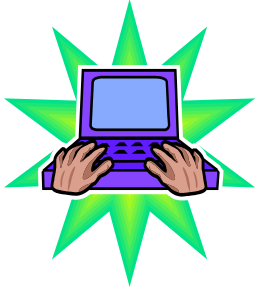


There is no instinct like that of the heart.

Lord Byron



GENERAL INFORMATION



Email Distribution List

If you would like to be on a distribution list to be contacted by the First Nations Student Services Centre regarding upcoming events please email our office: fnss@mala.bc.ca.

Recommended Websites

Aboriginal Multi-Media Society Scholarship Listings:
<http://www.ammsa.com/ammsabursary.html>

Arts One Fundraising Calendars

The Arts One fundraising group is now in the process of putting together a fundraiser calendar to reach their goal of \$2000.00 for their year end celebration feast. This fabulous 16-month calendar will feature photos of Arts One students back dropped by their grandparents to show the faces and spirit of a new generation. The cost of these creative calendars will be a very affordable \$8.00. Order for your relatives back home!

For orders please call Linda Walls at 618-2681.



Tribal Trails and Arts One Trips

Tribal Trails head north to Alaska on February 17th for a week of cultural and academic exchange with their Yupik counterparts attending the Alaska Native Studies Program at the University of Alaska. Way to go Tribal Trailblazers! This program is the first and only one of its kind in Canada.

Arts One students will be leaving for a field trip to Alert Bay to tour the Umista Cultural Centre on February 16th and returning February 18th.



Upcoming Events

Nanaimo 6th Annual Maple Sugar Festival

This unique 5-day event runs from February 22-27, 2006.

There are many events and activities for the whole family.

For more information or volunteer opportunities call the Francophone Association of Nanaimo at 250-729-2776 or visit <http://www.francophonenanaimo.org>

Chief Robert Joseph will be special guest lecturer for the Arts One First Nations program on Thursday, February 9th at 8:30 to 9:50 am in Building 355, room 203. He will be speaking about the cultural and spiritual significance of masks of the Kwakwaka'waka.

Perplexity is the beginning of knowledge.

Kahlil Gibran

