



21st Biennial Symposium on

VIOLENCE & Aggression

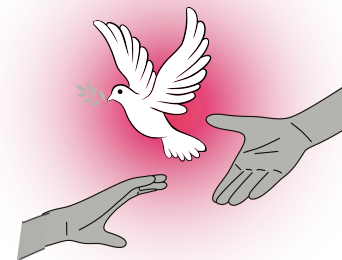
“Advancing Responses to Violence”

Treatment Mental Health
Public Safety Corrections Human Trafficking
Justice Youth Women Research
Indigenous Psychology Community
Gangs Recidivism Clinical Risk Assessment
Criminal Intervention Violent

May 25 & 26
2026

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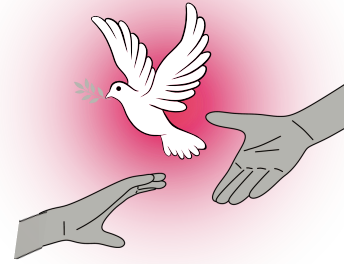
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Day 1 - Monday May 25, 2026

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER(S)	TOPIC	ROOM
7:30am	Breakfast			Garry Room, Marquis Hall
7:45am	Registration			Arts Main Floor, Near the bottom of the Ramp
8:30am	Welcome & Opening Remarks	Dr. Mansfield Mela <i>University of Saskatchewan</i> Dr. Lisa Jewell <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>		Arts 143
8:40am	Opening Prayers	Knowledge Keeper Lyndon Linklater		
8:50am	Greetings	Dr. Baljit Singh Vice President Research <i>University of Saskatchewan</i> A/Regional Deputy Commissioner Kathy Neil <i>Correctional Service Canada</i>		
9:00am	Plenary Session 1	Presenter: Senator Kim Pate <i>Senate of Canada</i> Moderator: Dr. Mansfield Mela <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>	Manufacturing Risk	
10:30am	Break with Therapy Dogs Molly, Reacher, and Reina with the PAWSitive Support Prison Therapy Dog Program			Near Arts 143 & in Arts 256 (Debriefing Room)
11:00am	Concurrent Session 1A Sponsored by: Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority	Presenter: Kathy Neil <i>Correctional Service Canada</i> Moderator: Dr. Leslie Anne Keown <i>University of Regina</i>	Strengthening Justice with Community-Driven Responses to Violence	Arts 263
	Concurrent Session 1B	Presenter: Matt Mirasty <i>Government of Saskatchewan</i> Moderator: Delphine Gossner <i>Government of Saskatchewan</i>	Advancements in Community Safety: A Discussion on the Saskatchewan First Nations Community Safety Officer Program	Arts 241
	Concurrent Session 1C	Presenter: Lindsay Wilcox <i>John Howard Society of Saskatchewan</i> Moderator: Dr. Arlene Kent-Wilkinson <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>	Restorative Justice in Action – Supports for Community Reintegration (including Housing and Programs) John Howard Society of Saskatchewan	Arts 146
12:00pm	Lunch			Garry Room, Marquis Hall

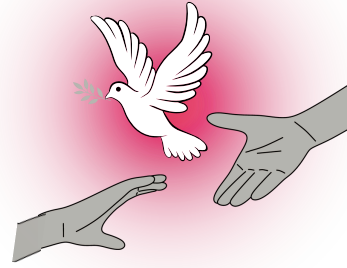
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TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER(S)	TOPIC	ROOM
1:15pm	Concurrent Session 2A	Presenters: Violeta Dima <i>Elizabeth Fry Society of Saskatchewan</i> Kenzy Horudko <i>Elizabeth Fry Society of Saskatchewan</i> Moderator: Dr. Arlene Kent-Wilkinson <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>	From Crisis to Response: Gender-Based Violence in Saskatchewan and the Case for a Women's Legal Clinic	Arts 263
	Concurrent Session 2B Sponsored by: Dakota Dunes Community Development Corporation	Presenter: Dr. Leticia Gutierrez <i>Office of the Correctional Investigator</i> Moderator: Dr. Bryce Stoliker <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>	Ten Years Since Spirit Matters: A Roadmap for the Reform of Indigenous Corrections in Canada	Arts 241
	Concurrent Session 2C	Presenters: Amy Agar <i>Parole Board of Canada</i> Rayleen Ballard <i>Parole Board of Canada</i> Moderator: Dr. Natalie Polvi <i>Correctional Service Canada</i>	Parole Board of Canada: Our Purpose in the Criminal Justice Continuum	Arts 146
2:15pm	Break with Poster Session			Near Arts 143
2:45pm	Greetings	Assistant Deputy Minister Joshua Freistadt <i>Government of Saskatchewan</i> Inspector Ashley St. Germaine <i>RCMP</i>		
2:55pm	Plenary Session 2	Presenters: Dr. Mark Olver <i>University of Saskatchewan</i> Dr. Keira Stockdale <i>University of Saskatchewan</i> Moderator: Dr. Leslie Anne Keown <i>University of Regina</i>	Research, Issues, and Approaches in Forensic Risk Assessment with Indigenous Clients	Arts 143
4:25pm	Closing Remarks	Dr. Mansfield Mela <i>University of Saskatchewan</i> Dr. Lisa Jewell <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>		
4:30pm - 6:00pm	Wine & Cheese Reception Featuring the Dean McNeill Jazz Trio			Garry Room, Marquis Hall

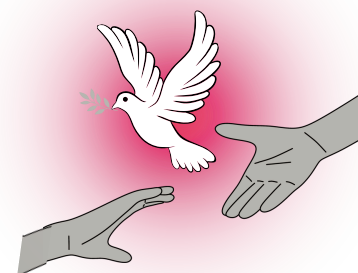
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Day 2 - Tuesday May 26, 2026

TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER(S)	TOPIC	ROOM
7:30am	Breakfast			Garry Room, Marquis Hall
8:30am	Welcome	Dr. Mansfield Mela <i>University of Saskatchewan</i> Dr. Lisa Jewell <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>		
8:45am	Plenary Session 3	Presenter: Dr. Justin Tetrault <i>Simon Fraser University</i> Moderator: Dr. Bryce Stoliker <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>	Why Indigenized Prison Programming Matters: On Indigenous Overrepresentation, Rehabilitation, and Re-entry	Arts 143
10:15am	Break			Near Arts 143
10:45am	Concurrent Session 3A	Presenters: Dr. Keira Stockdale <i>University of Saskatchewan</i> Sydney Rine <i>University of Saskatchewan</i> Moderator: Delphine Gossner <i>Government of Saskatchewan</i>	Evaluation of Violence Reduction Programs: Lessons Learned from the Literature and Responses to Serious Violence in Saskatchewan	Arts 263
	Concurrent Session 3B Sponsored by: Saskatchewan Health Research Foundation (SHRF)	Presenter: Shaylee Spencer <i>Memorial University of Newfoundland</i> Moderator: Cindy Peternelj-Taylor <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>	Compassion Fatigue: Strength in Service, Wisdom in Recovery	Arts 241
	Concurrent Session 3C Sponsored by: Government of Saskatchewan	Presenters: Marijayne Deschambault <i>Saskatoon Tribal Council</i> Sergeant Erica Weber <i>Saskatoon Police Service</i> Moderator: Dr. Arlene Kent-Wilkinson <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>	Reconcili-Action: Transforming Justice Through Police and Tribal Council Partnership	Arts 146
11:45am	Lunch Featuring Long Walker's Drum Group			Garry Room, Marquis Hall

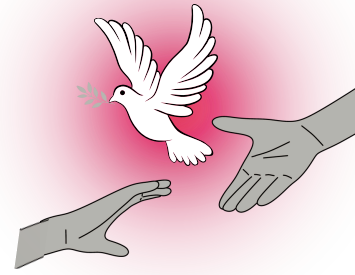
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1:00pm	Concurrent Session 4A Sponsored by: Correctional Service Canada	Presenters: Andrea Kotlar <i>FASD Network of Saskatchewan</i> Shana Mohr <i>FASD Network of Saskatchewan</i> Moderator: Lindsay Wilcox <i>John Howard Society of Saskatchewan</i>	Bridging Safety and Support: De-Escalation Approaches for Individuals with FASD and High-Risk Behaviours	Arts 263
	Concurrent Session 4B	Presenters: Benjamin Ralston <i>University of Saskatchewan</i> Dr. Christie Tetreault <i>University of Saskatchewan</i> Moderator: Cindy Peternelj-Taylor <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>	Indigeneity in Canada's Criminal Legal System: Finding Consensus, Contestation, and Paradox	Arts 241
	Concurrent Session 4C	Presenters: Martin Foucher <i>Correctional Service Canada</i> and Detective Sonja Wepruk <i>Edmonton Police Service</i> Detective Tammy Buchberger <i>Edmonton Police Service</i> Moderator: Dr. Arlene Kent-Wilkinson <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>	Managing Individuals at High Risk to Offend: Lessons from the Evacuation of a Maximum- Security Penitentiary During Wildfire and Managing High Risk Offenders Through Integrated Policing	Arts 146
2:00pm	Break			Near Arts 143
2:30pm	Plenary Session 4	Presenter: Evan Bray <i>The Voice of Saskatchewan – with 650 CKOM and 980 CJME</i> Moderator: Dr. Lisa Jewell <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>	Healthy People Build Healthy Communities	Arts 143
4:00pm - 4:15pm	Closing Remarks	Dr. Mansfield Mela <i>University of Saskatchewan</i> Dr. Lisa Jewell <i>University of Saskatchewan</i>		Arts 143
	Closing Prayers	Knowledge Keeper Lyndon Linklater		

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Note: All meals, including Wine and Cheese Reception, will be held in Marquis Hall, Garry Room. All plenary and concurrent sessions will be held in the Arts Building. A debriefing room will be available in Arts 256. Attendees can go there anytime they want some quiet time or need to debrief following a session.

- The registration desk will be located near the bottom of the Arts Ramp on the main floor.
- All Plenary Sessions will be held in Arts 143 (located on the ground floor).
- All Concurrent Sessions will be held in Arts 146; Arts 241 Neatby-Timlin Theatre; and Arts 263. Arts 146 is located on the ground floor. Arts 241 and 263 are located on the second floor.
- Refreshments during breaks will be available outside of Arts 143 in the common area.
- The Poster Session will be displayed outside of Arts 143 in the common area.

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