



The Jackman Humanities Institute presents, as a part of Aesthetic Education: A South-North Dialogue:

## **Beverly Jacobs**

## Reconciliation in Canada in the Context of Education and Justice

Beverly Jacobs (Gowehgyuseh) is the former President of the Native Women's Association of Canada. She was born into the Bear Clan of the Mohawk Nation on the territory of the Six Nations of the Grand River in Southern Ontario. Jacobs is a lawyer by profession and holds a LLB from the University of Windsor and a Masters in Law from the University of Saskatchewan. She has taught at the University of Windsor, the University of Toronto, the University of Saskatchewan and Ryerson University and began her career as an entrepreneur and consultant with her own firm, Bear Clan Consulting where she dealt with issues such as Bill C-31, Residential Schools, Matrimonial Real Property, and Aboriginal Women's health issues. Jacobs' work on Missing and Murdered Aboriginal women was inspired by her work with Amnesty International as the Lead Researcher and consultant for their Stolen Sisters Report. This 2004 groundbreaking document highlighted racialized and sexualized violence against Aboriginal women in Canada. In 2008, Jacobs was honoured by Canadian Voice of



Women for Peace, Canadian Department of Peace Initiative, and Civilian Peace Service Canada as one of 50 Canadian women whose work and dedication has helped to further a culture of peace in Canada. In November 2008, she was the recipient of the Governor General's Award in commemoration of the Persons Case, which salutes Canadian contributions to the advancement of women's equality. Also in 2008, Jacobs accepted the Nation's Official Apology for Residential Schooling, delivering a powerful and moving speech on behalf of NWAC.

## Monday 24 October 2016 at 12:00 p.m. Convocation Hall, 31 King's College Circle

This event is free and open to all. Registration is not required. For further information, please contact the Jackman Humanities Institute at (416) 946-0313.

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