

## AVAILABLE VOICES FOR COMMENTARY DURING IT TAKES ROOTS+ FRONTLINE DELEGATION TO COP28 IN DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (TV, PRINT, RADIO)

The 28th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 28) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) will convene from November 30 – December 12, 2023 in the United Arab Emirates.

An It Takes Roots delegation will be on the ground in Dubai, United Arab Emirates for COP28. For interviews and commentary, please reach out to the spokespeople from Climate Justice Alliance, Indigenous Environmental Network, Indigenous Climate Action, and La Via Campesina.

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Bineshi Albert grew up in the movement and remembers her family organizing for community and Indigenous Rights throughout her upbringing. Her work over the last 30 years has primarily focused on environmental justice and Native/Indigenous rights. She has also been part of many pivotal movement building and multicultural spaces throughout her career. She joined CJA as one of the Co-Executive Directors from one of our founding member organizations, the Indigenous Environmental Network (IEN). In fact, she was a founding board member of IEN, served on their three person Leadership Team alongside the Executive

Director and was their Movement Building Coordinator and Co-Coordinator for Indigenous Feminisms. She is proud to have contributed to the work of It Takes Roots, the Rising Majority and international movement spaces.

#### **Jacqueline Patterson**

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Jacqueline Patterson is the Founder and Executive Director of the Chisholm Legacy Project: A Resource Hub for Black Frontline Climate Justice Leadership. The mission of the Chisholm Legacy Project is rooted in a Just Transition Framework, serving as a vehicle to connect Black communities on the frontlines of climate justice with the resources to actualize visions. Prior to the launch of the Chisholm Legacy Project, Patterson served as the Senior Director of the NAACP Environmental and Climate Justice Program for over a decade.

## **Indigenous Environmental Network**

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### **Tom BK Goldtooth**

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Tom is the Executive Director of the Indigenous Environmental Network (IEN), the oldest Indigenous- based and grassroots network working on environmental, energy, climate and economic justice issues in North America including the rights of Indigenous Peoples. Tom has been the lead of the Indigenous delegation of IEN within the UN Framework Conference on Climate Change (UNFCCC) since COP 04 in Buenos Aires, Argentina in 1998. Tom and IEN participated in the formation of the International Indigenous Peoples Forum on Climate Change (IIPFCC) in 2008. Tom has been awarded with recognition of his achievements throughout the past 32 years as a change maker within the

environmental, economic, energy and climate justice movement. From his participation and leadership in the First National People of Color Environmental Justice Leadership Summit in 1991 in Washington D.C., to the 2010 World Peoples' Conference on Climate Change and the Rights of Mother Earth in Cochabamba, Bolivia, and to the recent co-formation of the US-based Green New Deal Network and the United Frontline Table and its People's Orientation to a Regenerative Economy platform, he has been on the forefront of key moments fighting for systemic change. In 2007, Tom co-founded the Indigenous World Forum on Water and Peace lifting up the spiritual- cultural values and ethics of water policy. Tom initiated the first international Indigenous conference on the rights of Mother Earth in 2012 at the Haskell Indian Nations University and serves as a member of the Global Alliance of the Rights of Nature. Tom wrote the IEN Indigenous Principles of Just Transition as an organizing tool of using Indigenous Original Instructions as the foundation for building sustainable and healthy Indigenous communities. Tom is a recipient of numerous awards including the 2015 Gandhi Award and in 2016 was presented Sierra Club's highest recognition, the John Muir award.



### **Alberto Saldamando**

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Alberto Saldamando, a Xicano/Zapoteca, is the IEN Counsel on Human Rights and Climate Change. He earned a Bachelor in English and Philosophy, and a Juris Doctorate of Law degree from the University of Arizona. Bilingual in English and Spanish, he is an internationally acknowledged expert on Indigenous and human rights. He has represented Indigenous Peoples, communities, organizations and individuals before international human rights venues, including the United Nations Human Rights Commission, now the Commission's Human Rights Mechanisms, the International Labor Organization, the OAS Commission on Human Rights, and the OECD Specific Instance procedure. He began his work with IEN as Counsel in 2009 at Copenhagen, Denmark, for the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change Conference Of Parties, or COP 15, and serves as head of IEN's delegation to these international venues. He also maintains relationships with IEN's international allies. Prior to 2009, he served as General Counsel to the International Indian Treaty Council for 18 years and takes pride in his active participation during negotiations leading to the 2007 UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the establishment of the UN Permanent Forum for Indigenous Issues, and the initial mandate of the UN Special Rapporteur on Indigenous Peoples. Alberto was accredited as an expert by the Food and Agriculture Organization to the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples in 2014 and was elected by UN Consultative Status NGOs to the International Steering Committee for the World Conference Against Racism, from 1998 to 2001. Through his life's work, he hopes to leave future generations with a better world and takes great pleasure in working with Indigenous youth to that end. Alberto practices yoga and takes long walks with his longtime partner.



### **Mary Lyons**

*Traditional Knowledge Holder*

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Great-grandmother Mary Lyons is an Anishinaabe-Ojibwe Elder, formally known as a world-renowned Wisdom Keeper, Knowledge Holder, Humanitarian, an Empowerment Coach, Activist and Author. She is an International Keynote speaker and seminar leader, from the Parliament of World Religions, World Council of Churches Indigenous Sessions, NYC Climate March, Global Elder's Gathering on Climate Change and a United Nations Indigenous Observer/COP26 Elder Observer, just to mention a few. Mary is a visionary co-founder of several global groups, including Women of Wellbriety, International, a 100% volunteer on-line wellness

group with yearly gatherings that promote sobriety and healing. Amongst her strong commitments, she is one of the 5 women who co-founded the global "Grandmothers of the Sacred WE, etc. She developed a Circle Leadership style of organizational structure to bring the collaborative process to change the hierarchical structure in today's society.

She continues to work at the intersections of criminal justice, environmental issues, child welfare systems and develops policy and advocacy strategies to help reduce the chances of family separation and MMIW (Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women). She is a writer and storyteller and has published books about spirituality, self-examination, and cross-cultural understanding. She is also a community organizer



and world traveler and has often appeared in the media as an activist for climate justice and social justice issues. As an Ojibwe Elder, a non-violent direct action activist, she believes we can change the world for the better again if we come together as a community.



### **Faith Gemmill**

*Board Member of Indigenous Environmental Network*

Faith Gemmill (Neets'aii Gwich'in, Pit River and Wintu) of Vashraii K'oo (Arctic Village), Alaska is the current Tribal Court Clerk for Venetie Village Council and continued Tribal Justice advocate. Faith became passionate about Tribal Justice issues in recent years and worked for her Tribe as the Tribal Court Administrator, Tribal Justice Director and ICWA Specialist. She also served on the Arctic Village Council for three years. Through recent work on Tribal Justice issues, a healing paradigm was born and she is now engaged in personal and community healing and wellness.



### **Brenna TwoBears**

*Keep It In The Ground Program Coordinator at Indigenous Environmental Network*

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Brenna Twobears is from the Ho-Chunk, Navajo and Standing Rock Nations and grew up between Navajo Nation and Wisconsin. At the young age of 13, she began contending with environmental racism in her tribal homelands. Growing up near Dook'o'osłííd (one of the Navajo Four Sacred Mountains), in Flagstaff, AZ, she witnessed the use by local ski resorts of reclaimed water to create fake snow on which resort visitors actually would ski. She earned a Bachelor in Art History and Visual Culture Studies from Whitman College, in Washington state, with a focus on Tribal Museums and the Politics of Display. As a former museum professional, Brenna connected Indigenous communities with institutions

like the Maxey Museum, in Walla Walla, Washington; the Indian Arts Research Center, Santa Fe, New Mexico; and New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art. After which, She also taught media literacy skills to BIPOC youth in New Mexico, taught middle school in Arizona, and worked with teens on the Salt-River Pima reservation. Utilizing her research skills, she has assisted Indigenous communities to address environmental justice issues as human rights violations in Indigenous regions like Black Mesa, AZ, dealing with Peabody Coal; Standing Rock Nation's stand against The Dakota Access Pipeline; and, the



Tar Sands in Northern Alberta. Since then, Brenna has focused her work on uplifting voices that often go unheard. Now, her focus is on grassroots organizing with community groups, museum consultation on behalf of Native communities, with a passion for working with Native youth.

As the IEN KIITG program coordinator, Brenna provides logistical support to the organizers within the KIITG team, lending strategic vision to IEN's partners working with the program objectives to achieve its goals. Having danced at powwows in Ho-Chunk lands before she could even walk, she now enjoys competing in Women's Northern Cloth and Contemporary Jingle Dress competitions.



**Panganga Pungowiyi**

*Climate Geoengineering Organizer at Indigenous Environmental Network*

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Panganga Pungowiyi is an Indigenous mother from Sivungaq, located in the so-called Bering Strait. Panganga has been involved in many grassroots efforts seeking justice for Indigenous Peoples including efforts to protect lands and water from extractive industry, MMIWG, and DVSA against Indigenous Womxn. Social justice and healing are recurring themes woven within Panganga's personal and professional life as the director of Kawerak, Inc.'s Wellness Program, where she sought funding for wellness camps, healing camps, undoing racism and decolonizing workshops, community safety patrol, youth leadership training, bystander intervention training and cultural humility. Many years were spent

developing and hosting communal healing spaces for historical trauma and colonial oppression. Most recently Panganga began training as a Tribal Healer. Saying that her higher education comes from her elders who taught her about traditional plant medicine and body work, healing, justice and advocacy continues in Panganga's role at IEN as the Climate Geoengineering Organizer. Joining IEN in August 2021, her work is focused on Climate False Solutions, specifically in dangerous and hazardous Climate Geoengineering Projects, including Carbon Dioxide Removal, Carbon Capture and Storage, Carbon Capture Use and Storage, Direct Air Capture, Bio Energy Carbon Capture and Storage, Ocean Fertilization, Solar Radiation Mitigation, Stratospheric Aerosol Injection, Surface Albedo Modification, Marine Cloud Brightening, and Marine Geoengineering. She continues to gather information about other false solutions technologies, as the overwhelming majority are tested in Indigenous territories without Free, Prior and Informed Consent. She rallies against such projects as the Arctic Ice Project and works to make educational materials and resource lists available to Indigenous Peoples so they can protect themselves against potentially harmful technologies. Panganga says unjust contamination and experimentation are part of her family history. Both Climate change and false climate solutions are only possible because of racism, capitalism and colonization. They are not root problems, but are instead symptoms of a deeper issue relating to our relationship with each other as peoples, and the relationship that the extractive-based economy has with the Natural World and Indigenous Peoples. She enjoys making soap that resembles traditional foods and other symbols of her culture, beadwork, singing, acting and parenting.



### **Thomas Joseph Tsewenaldin**

*Carbon Policy Educator at Indigenous Environmental Network*

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Thomas Joseph is a member of the Hoopa Valley Tribe and a descendant of the Lone Pine Shoshone Paiute Tribe from the occupied and unceded lands of California. He has spent the last decade defending his peoples' lands from carbon brokers, hydro dams and other false solutions. As California's largest land-based tribe on their ancestral lands of Hoopa Valley, they are targeted by carbon brokers with shady tactics, akin to infamous acts of the '49ers during the California Gold Rush history. Thomas likens today's carbon brokers to the gold miners of the 19th century, saying both histories led to land grabs and the continuation of environmental destruction. As a former social justice organizer, he rallied his community to pass ballot measures securing the nation's strongest sanctuary laws for Dreamers and helped to

pass racial profiling laws that California police officers are required to follow. Joining IEN fulltime in May, 2022, as the Carbon Price Educator, he follows current trends and policies regarding carbon markets and travels the country to educate communities about false solutions. Thomas embraces his work out of his great love for Mother Earth. When he is not fighting to protect Mother Earth, he enjoys the endless gifts she provides like mountain biking, snowboarding, hiking, swimming, camping - in other words, spending as much time in the natural world as possible. Having witnessed the destruction of the natural world, as an Indigenous human, he understands his responsibility to protect it.



### **Tamra Gilbertson**

*Climate Justice Program Coordinator at Indigenous Environmental Network*

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Tamra L Gilbertson, MPH, PhD, is an activist, researcher, writer, and scholar. A contractor with IEN from 2017 to 2020, in August 2023 she marked her third anniversary as the IEN Climate Justice Program Coordinator. In her current role, she develops curricula and holds workshops on carbon markets, false solutions, the Climate Crisis and the consequences to Indigenous communities and cultures. For more than twenty years she has allied with social movements and international networks fighting for social, environmental, and climate justice. She earned a doctorate at the University of Tennessee, Department of Sociology. As a US Fulbright recipient, she

conducted research on carbon markets, coal mining and conservation impacts in the Caribbean regions of Colombia. She was previously a founder and co-director of Carbon Trade Watch and former project coordinator of the Environmental Justice Project of the Transnational Institute, frequently coordinating with IEN. She continues to act as a strategic point person between Indigenous Peoples Organizations,

activist-scholar networks, NGOs, ally and community organizations. Tamra is committed to field research, radical education and has authored several academic articles, book chapters and reports. She speaks English, Spanish and Portuguese. Tamra's key areas of work include the fight to dismantle the policy barriers to achieving climate justice including: carbon markets, carbon offsets, false solutions, climate finance, and gender, racial and social justice.



### **Claire Charlo**

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Claire Charlo is a member of the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes from the Flathead Reservation in Montana. Raised by parents she describes as, "...ahead of their time," she was homeschooled and taught cultural lessons on medicinal plants, Salish language, beading, tanning deer hides for regalia and moccasin making. At a young age, she began her spiritual learning with song, traditional knowledge and practices and winter ceremony. The relationship with the land, plant, animal, winged and aquatic relatives were all inspirational, helping to create a spiritual foundation in the work to stop the destruction of Mother Earth. Claire started

writing poetry and short articles in college and continues to do so today. She graduated from Cornell College, in Iowa, with a double Bachelor in Women and Ethnic Studies. Claire went on to University of Arizona School of Law and graduated with a Juris Doctorate. In 2021, she attended and graduated from The Berta Cáceres International Feminist Organizing School. While working full-time as a Civil Advocate for the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribal Defenders, she served on the board of the Jeannette Rankin Peace Center, directing a legal self-help clinic for ten years while simultaneously raising awareness for MMIW/R and Indigenous environmental justice movements and actions. Now, the IEN Indigenous Feminisms Organizer, she identifies key issues in environmental justice that intersect with Indigenous matriarchy/feminism. Claire also raises awareness of MMIW/R and the connection between extractive industries and the violence against Earth.



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Julia Bernal (they/she) is from the Indigenous Nations of Sandia Pueblo and Yuchi and is the Executive Director of the Pueblo Action Alliance. They are pursuing dual masters degrees in Water Resources and Community and Regional Planning at the University of New Mexico. She advocates for Water Back, Land Back, the rematriation of all stolen water resources and ancestral lands and the decommodification



of all that is sacred. She serves on the Natural Resources Committee for the All Pueblo Council of Governors, and is a board member of the Middle Rio Grande Water Advocates.



**Dr. Crystal Cavalier, EdD, MPA**

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Dr. Crystal Cavalier-Keck is a citizen of the Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation and is an Adjunct Professor in the Social Sciences department at Salem College in Winston Salem. Crystal has dedicated the past 5+ years to defending her homelands against the Mountain Valley Pipeline/Southgate Extension. She is leading a campaign to bring Rights of Nature laws to NC to protect the waterways and communities in the pipeline's path. Crystal is the CEO and co-founder of 7 Directions of Service with her husband. Crystal completed her Doctorate at the University of Dayton, focusing on the social justice crisis of Missing Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW) tied to gas/oil pipelines. This led her to launch the Missing Murdered Indigenous Women Coalition of NC.

Crystal co-authored NC House Bill 795, the Rights of Nature/Rights of the Haw River, prioritizing environmentally impacted communities around the watershed. Crystal founded and is currently the President of the Native American Caucus of the NC Democratic Party. Crystal serves on the boards of Movement Rights and the Haw River Assembly. She has conducted training along and around the East Coast on Coordinated Tribal/Community Response for emergency management through natural, cyber, or man-made disasters.



**Jason Campos Keck**

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Jason Campos Keck is from East Oakland and found the freedom to choose another lifestyle and another context for his life, ultimately becoming the VP of Outreach for an international men's organization focused on successful families, careers, and communities. With a multi-racial heritage of Native American (Choctaw-Apache), and French-African Creole from Louisiana and European, he is also a ceremonial dancer. He works together with his wife on social justice issues in the community. Jason is the President of the Alamance County Native American Caucus and the Secretary of the 17 Rivers North Carolina Chapter of the American Indian Movement. Jason and Crystal co-founded Eastern Woodland Lacrosse and 7 Directions of Service.



### **Chief Ninawa Huni Kui**

*Hereditary Chief of the Huni Kui Indigenous Peoples, Amazon*

Chief Ninawa is a hereditary Chief of the Huni Kui Indigenous people of the Amazon and the elected president of the Huni Kui Federation of the State of Acre. The Huni Kui Federation has launched the “Last Warning” educational campaign against ecocide in the Amazon rainforest and the threat of Indigenous genocide in Brazil in collaboration with a global research team (students, academics and artists). Chief Ninawa is the founder of the “Forest University” in the Brazilian Amazon and a UBC research partner in a SSHRC Insight project related to decolonial social

innovations.



### **Shyrlene Oliveira Dasilva Huni Kui**

*Huni Kui Indigenous Peoples, Amazon*

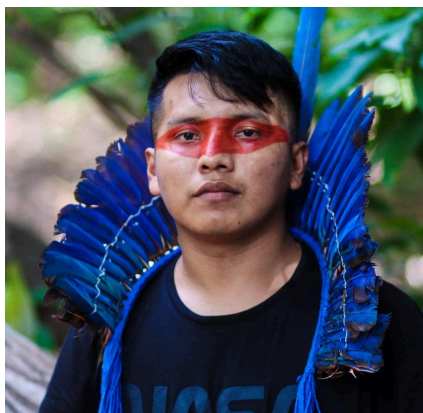
Indigenous activist and PhD in plant production from the Federal University of Acre; Shyrlene was recently accepted into the post doc program at the University of British Columbia - Vancouver CA



### **Valdenira Dasilva Batista**

*Huni Kui Indigenous Peoples, Amazon*

Kariany Huni Kui Valdenira da Silva Batista Hunikuin of the Hunikuin people is the coordinator of Huni kui women within the federation of the people of the State of Acre, Amazon. She is a Traditional midwife, master in native crafts and Human rights and environmental activist.



### **Elvis Ferreira Oliveira Rakaxinawa**

*Huni Kui Indigenous Peoples, Amazon*

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leadership and communicator at national (COIAB) and international (Fephac) level Activist for human rights, indigenous peoples and ancestral knowledge and environmental protection.

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## Indigenous Climate Action



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Eriel is a Dënesųliné mother from the Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation (ACFN) and the Executive Director and co-founder of Indigenous Climate Action (ICA), an Indigenous-led climate justice organization in so-called Canada. Deranger is a member of the International Indigenous Peoples Forum on Climate Change, and sits on various boards including Bioneers, It Takes Roots Leadership Council, Climate Justice Resiliency Fund Council of Advisors, and WWF Canada; and was a founding member of the

Global Indigenous Youth Caucus.

Deranger's work focuses on Indigenous rights and building intersectional dialogue between Indigenous rights, climate justice and other social justice movements. She is recognized for her role as the spokespersons for her community (ACFN) in the international Indigenous Tar Sands Campaign and developing the Tar Sands Healing Walk. This included developing one of the first Indigenous rights-based divest movements; lobbying government officials in Canada, the US, the UK and the EU; supporting and leading mass mobilizations against the fossil fuel industry & climate change; and bringing international recognition to issues in her territory with celebrities and politicians alike.

Deranger has written for the Guardian, Yellowhead Institute, The National Observer, Red Pepper Magazine; has been featured in documentary films including *Elemental* (2012); and is regularly interviewed for national and international media outlets including Democracy Now!, Aboriginal Peoples Television Network (APTN), and CBC.



**Topics:** Climate Justice, Decolonizing Climate Policy, Indigenous Divestment, False Solutions and the Dangers of Carbon Markets, Intersectional Movement Building, International Indigenous Climate movement, Indigenous Feminism and the nexus of Climate Justice



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Jayce (she/her) is Anishinaabe from Garden River First Nation, Ontario. She has a Bachelor's of Science degree in Biology and a Masters of Environmental Studies.

Jayce's Masters research was conducted in her community where she brought together youth, community leaders, and knowledge keepers in a workshop-style gathering focused on climate action through an Indigenous food sovereignty lens.

Jayce started with ICA in 2020 and has worked as the Community Engagement Lead and Toolkit Lead where she supported the creation, dissemination and implementation of ICA's Toolkit and Climate Leadership Program. Currently, she sits as the Education and Training Manager where she will continue to support ICA's development of education and training programs/materials.

**Topics:** Climate Justice, Climate Impacts & Solutions, Climate Leadership, Just Transition, Western Science & Indigenous Knowledge, Research, Indigenous Education, Youth Inclusion, Indigenous Research Methodologies, Indigenous-led Food Sovereignty



**Carole Monture**

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Carole Monture (she/her) is Kanienkehá:ka (Mohawk) Wolf Clan from Six Nations of the Grand River territory where she now lives with her family.

Born and raised in Tkaronto, Carole kept her connections close to her family, community, and culture while growing

up in the city and actively worked to maintain those ties during her time at McMaster University while pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in Honours Indigenous Studies.

While living in Hamilton, Carole was introduced to community organizing on and off campus and was able to observe how the same systems of power that harm and exploit our communities and our Mother Earth are the same systems of power that created the conditions of climate change.

In her role at ICA as Climate Leadership Coordinator Carole feels honoured to work alongside Indigenous communities through the Climate Leadership Program as they explore the root causes of climate change and work towards real solutions guided by their cultures and ways of knowing.

**Topics:** Climate Literacy, Climate Leadership, Just Transition, Carbon Markets, Carbon Pricing, False Solutions



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Rosalyn Boucha is a member of [Animakee Wa Zhing First Nation](#) in Treaty 3 Territory and is of mixed Anishinaabe and German-settler descent. Growing up on both sides of the medicine line (US-Canada border), Rosalyn also holds deep roots in Kabekanong (Warroad, Minnesota) on the south shore of Lake of the Woods.

Rosalyn has a Bachelor of Environmental Design from the University of Manitoba's Faculty of Architecture. She has spent the last decade supporting a range of Indigenous-led non-profits and grassroots organizations with design, multimedia, and communication that centres Indigenous values and lived experiences through written and visual storytelling.

Her experience has included language and culture revitalization through land-based education alongside the [Manitoba First Nations Education Resource Centre](#) and [Indigenous Languages of Manitoba](#). She has also worked with a number of organizations like the [Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre](#), [Indigenous Vision for the North End](#), and the Winnipeg Indigenous Friendship Centre to advocate for Winnipeg's urban Indigenous community in the areas of child welfare, food security, healthcare, and MMIWG2S+.

Most recently, Rosalyn's work has shifted to climate justice with a focus on Indigenous rights and self-determination, Indigenous food sovereignty, and cultural seed sovereignty. She currently works as the Communications Manager at Indigenous Climate Action and is the Operations Manager for [Ininiwikistayikēwin Seed Library](#)

**Topics:** Liberatory Harm Reduction, Land-based Education, Indigenous Language Revitalization, Indigenous Food Sovereignty, Indigenous and Cultural Seed Sovereignty, Reconciliation, UNDRIP, FPIC



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Katie Wilson (she/her) is a queer, Indigenous (Cree, Saulteaux) aunty born and raised in Treaty Four Territory (Regina, SK) where she currently resides. Growing up in the prairies of Saskatchewan, her parents originate from Cowessess First Nation (Mother), and Peguis First Nation (Father). Katie has a diploma in Interactive Design and Technology from Saskatchewan Polytechnic, and sits as a board member of Sâkêwêwak First Nations Artists' Collective.

The intention in her work is to uplift voices, conversations, and strategies that foster an equitable community—prioritizing climate justice, Indigenous sovereignty, 2SLGBTQ+ rights, accessibility, and the overall intersectionality of these movements. By utilizing her work and life she hopes to inspire future generations by embodying a commitment to art, education, community, and intergenerational healing.

**Topics:** 2SLGBTQIAP+ rights, intersectional movement building, Healing Justice, Environmental Racism, Reconciliation, FPIC, Sexual & Reproductive Health, General ICA Presentation, Communication for Non-Profits, Harm Reduction