

BC Métis Federation Celebrates 10 Years of Service
BCMF Hosts unforgettable evening of history, celebration and culture

August 15, 2021, (X̣ẉṃə̣θ̣ḳẉə̣ỵəm (Musqueam), Ṣḳẉx̣ẉụ́7̣mesh (Squamish) and sə̣ḷiḷẉə̣ṭạł (Tsleil-Waututh)/ Vancouver, B.C.) - The BC Métis Federation celebrated its tenth anniversary this weekend with an incredible celebration in Kelowna.



The jam-packed event was hosted at Four Points hotel in Kelowna and provided guests with hours of entertainment and incredible food. BCMF has been operating since 2011, with a rapidly growing membership base. There were 150 people in attendance, which included members, industry partners and representatives from the local Westbank First Nation.

“We were not able to get together last year for our tenth-anniversary celebration due to the ongoing challenges with COVID-19, so we were really glad to be able to put on this event and celebrate in person with our members. Our team has done an excellent job, and we are proud of how far the Federation has come. I would like to specifically thank Sherry Daniels, JJ Lavallee, and Greg Mazur for their hard work making this event so spectacular. We had very humble beginnings, and to see the growth and impact that BCMF is having is truly special. We’ve grown to almost 6,000

members and are providing real services and support to them. We’re only just getting started,” stated BCMF President Keith Henry.

Attendees witnessed the signing of a new Partner Community, the Metis Association of Central Okanagan (“MACO”) and the evening’s entertainment included some incredible Metis acts, such as Rick Stavely, Sandy Scofield, Jess Lee, the Ivan Flett Memorial Dancers and more!

Henry continued, “It has been a long and challenging road to get to ten years, and we are starting to see the benefits of those efforts. Our team at the Federation is leading really exciting projects, we are providing more services and assistance and building more capacity in our Metis Partner Communities. We are moving forward with passion and preparing for the next ten years to be even more impactful. We are very grateful to many of our Industry Partners who sponsored this event and helped make it so successful. We have more work ahead of us and are excited about the future.”

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