

*The International Indian Treaty Council (IITC)*  
**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Treaty Conference**  
**Defending our Treaty Rights to Food, Water and**  
**Health so that our Peoples will Live**  
*Wolakota Un Wichoni Kte*

**June 21 – 24, 2024**  
**The Bay, Wakpala, South Dakota**  
*Inyan Woslál Háŋ, Standing Rock Sioux Reservation*  
*Oceti Sakowin Treaty Territory*

**Conference Agenda Overview**

Meals for Treaty Conference Participants will be served from lunch June 20<sup>th</sup> through lunch June 24<sup>th</sup> according to the following schedule:

**Breakfast: 7:30 – 8:45 AM; Lunch: 12:30 – 1:45 PM; Dinner: 6:00 – 7:15 PM**

*Coffee, tea, water and light snacks will be available throughout the Conference*

**Thursday June 20, 2024: 1:00 PM – 6:00 PM:** Oceti Sakowin preparatory meeting  
Other preparatory activities will be organized on site

**Lunch 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM**

Set up conference site and camps, travel from airport

**Dinner 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM**

**1<sup>st</sup> Day, Friday June 21, 2024**

**5:30 AM – 7:00 AM:** Sunrise opening ceremony, lighting of the sacred fire

*Breakfast*

**Morning Program:**

**9:00 AM:** Traditional Lakota Opening and Protocol

Grand Entry: All Nations

**10:00 AM – 11:00 AM: Words of Welcome, Standing Rock and IITC**

**11:00 AM – 12:30 PM: Opening Presentation: “The Meaning of the Day in the Lakota/Dakota World View”**

*Lunch*

**Afternoon Program:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Panel: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM: Before and Beyond DAPL: Priorities and Challenges for the Standing Rock Nation**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Panel: 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM: The 1851 and 1868 Ft. Laramie Treaties: Sacred, Living, Legally Binding, International Agreements**

**5:30 PM – 6:00 PM: Honoring ceremony for the original 1974 Conference Participants**

*Dinner*

**Evening Program 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM: Standing Rock Cultural Program**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Day, Saturday June 22, 2024**

**5:30 AM – 7:00 AM: Sunrise ceremony: Māori ceremony to honor Hinewirangi Kohu**

*Breakfast*

**Morning Program:**

**9:00 AM – 9:30 AM: Keynote Address: Using the International Human Rights System to Defend the Rights of Indigenous Peoples** – Francisco Cali Tzay, Maya Cakchiquel, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

**3<sup>rd</sup> Panel: 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM: Extractives: Protecting our Sacred Waters, Foods and the Rights of our Peoples**

**4<sup>th</sup> Panel: 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM: Defending our Sacred Places, Bringing our Sacred Items and Cultural Heritage Home**

*Lunch*

**Afternoon Program:**

**5<sup>th</sup> Panel: 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM: Our Treaties Are Sacred, we must defend them: Work for Treaty Rights to Lands, Food, Water and Health in Many Nations**

**4:00 PM – 4:30 PM: Explanation and organization of Commissions/small group work and drafting Conference resolutions**

**4:30 PM – 6:00 PM: 1st Commission Session:**

- **Defending Treaty Rights to Land, Water, Food, Health, Consent and Self-Determination**
- **Strategies to combat Extractive Industries and Environmental Violence on Indigenous Lands; defending Indigenous women’s and children’s rights and protecting Indigenous Human and Environmental Rights Defenders**
- **Indigenous Youth organizing for Rights and Sovereignty**
- **Cultural Rights, Language, Sacred Sites and Repatriation**
- **Protecting Food Sovereignty, Biodiversity and Indigenous Peoples Rights in the Climate Crisis**

*Dinner*

**Evening Program: Film Night, Wakpala School (optional)**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Day, Sunday June 23, 2024**

**5:30 AM – 7:00 AM: Women’s Water Ceremony**

*Breakfast*

**Morning Program:**

**6<sup>th</sup> Panel: 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM: Indigenous Youth in the Movement to Defend our Futures**

**7<sup>th</sup> Panel: 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM: Food Sovereignty is a Treaty Right: Defending our Foods, Waters and Survival in the time of Climate Crisis**

*Lunch*

**Afternoon Program:**

**2:00 PM – 6:00 PM: Commissions continue to finalize Conference resolutions**

*Dinner*

**Evening Program: 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM: International Cultural Night**

**4<sup>th</sup> Day, Monday June 24, 2024**

**5:30 AM – 7:00 AM: Sunrise Ceremony**

*Breakfast*

**Morning Program:**

**8:30 AM – 12:00 PM: IITC Conference General Assembly**

- Approval of new IITC affiliates
- Presentation and adoption of Conference resolutions
- Proposals/Confirmation of next Treaty Conference location

**12:00 PM – 12:30 PM: Thanks, Closing Ceremony and Safe Travel Prayer**

*Lunch (last meal served on site)*

**Optional for those staying on: Film and Entertainment night #2: Wakpala School**

**Departures will continue throughout the evening and next day.  
*Please listen for shuttle schedule announcements to the Bismark Airport***

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