

Kakina Inawen - all my relations



Grandmother Francine is an autonomous Anishinabe woman, traditional knowledge keeper and medicine woman, she has worked for over 16 years in the school system guiding and supporting teachers and staff with the First Nations, Métis and Inuit curriculum from kindergarten to university students. A traditional speaker, she is also a Water Walker who raises awareness of the challenges and importance of Water.

Since 2019, she has been the Eastern Door Elder for the Indigenous Youth Advisory Council.

In 2018, she was invited to speak at the United Nations pre-session in Geneva, Switzerland, representing Anishinabek grandmothers, Water Walkers to defend human rights to clean Water.

In 2016, she represented the International Council of Moon Dance Grandmothers at the International Astronautical Congress in Guadalajara, Mexico, to speak on behalf of Water and meet the people of NASA and the United Nations.

In 2015, she created a program for First Nations, Métis and Inuit women and her project won the Thérèse Casgrain Equality Award.

In 2013, she wrote a chapter on Water in the book "Words of Peace on Native Land" and she is the author of numerous French articles on health, education and climate change.

Grandmother Francine was the grandmother of the Sundance for 12 years and the Moondance for 9 years.

What Grandma Francine has to say:

"My quest for Water began in 1999, I have attended and facilitated several ceremonies over the years. I am an Algonquin grandmother, I was born and raised in the city of Hull and I am proud of who I am!

I am a mom, a grandmother and a great-grandmother and I am so grateful for my life."

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