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## MEDIA ADVISORY -- @ Pearson College UWC

### **Canada 150: An Indigenous Perspective** *Join us for what promises to be a stimulating discussion!*

**VICTORIA, B.C.** — Are you celebrating “Canada 150” or “North America 13,000” or both?

Join three distinguished Indigenous thinkers and writers for “Canada 150: An Indigenous Perspective” at Pearson College UWC, located on the traditional territory of the Scia’new (Beecher Bay) First Nation, in Metchosin. The College is committed to building upon the calls to action put forward by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada and to actions that support reconciliation with local and wider Indigenous communities.

**Where:** Max Bell Hall, Pearson College UWC, 650 Pearson College Dr., Victoria

<http://pearsoncollege.ca/p/?pqn=Us&subpqn=Location&pn=Location>

**When:** 7:00 p.m. Friday, 10 March

**Why:** Reconciliation is the responsibility of all Canadians.

**Who:** Janet Rogers is a Mohawk/Tuscarora writer from Six Nations. Janet works in the genres of poetry, spoken word performance poetry, video poetry and recorded poetry with music and is a radio broadcaster, documentary producer, media and sound artist. Chaw-win-is Ogilvie is a member of both Tla-o-qui-aht and Cheklesahst nations of the Nuu-chah-nulth people. She is a Sessional Instructor at the University of Victoria, delivering culturally relevant Life Skills Programs to individuals and families living in Siem Lelum, Iy Len Hautw and Cedarhouse.

Philip Kevin Paul is a member of the WSÁ,NEC Nation and a renowned author. His work has been published in BC Studies, Literary Review of Canada, Breathing Fire: Canada’s New Poets and An Anthology of Canadian Native Literature in English. Paul has also worked with the University of Victoria's linguistics department to ensure the preservation of the SENCOTEN language.

**About Pearson College UWC:** Pearson College UWC ([www.pearsoncollege.ca](http://www.pearsoncollege.ca)) is Canada’s most international school and one of 17 United World Colleges around the globe. With 160 students, rising to 180 students in 2017, from every province and territory and 75 nations around the world, the College opened in 1974 following the vision of its namesake, Prime Minister and Nobel Laureate Lester B. Pearson, to use education as a force to unite people, nations and cultures for peace and a sustainable future.

#### **For more information:**

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