



The Indigenous Youth, Art, and Water Initiative

Water Movement

Organization description:

Established by Indigenous operators for Indigenous operators, Water Movement stands at the forefront of empowering those directly involved in addressing water issues in Canada. The organization has developed a platform that encourages peer-to-peer connections, promotes knowledge exchange, and offers access to a substantial video library with over 100 training videos. With a community of over 5,000 engaged users, Water Movement's mission is to ensure that operators from every corner of the nation not only connect and learn from each other, but also unite to address their shared challenges.

Location:

Moh'kinsstis (Calgary), Alberta

Young Indigenous Ambassador (YIA):

Mia Cook

Project Proposal:

On March 21, 2024, in honour of National Indigenous Water Operator Day, a mural featuring artwork from Indigenous youth will be displayed on Parliament Hill. This initiative seeks to offer a platform for the youth to recognize, honour, and celebrate their operators, while also exploring the promising career opportunities that this sector presents.

Art Type:

Mural

Community Water Issues:

As many operators approach retirement, connecting youth to the water sector through art is one way to foster the next generation of water leaders. The mural will not only inspire the public to learn more about water in Canada but will also provide a space for conversation and reflection on the many water advisories Indigenous communities still face. It encourages the public to commit to a personal journey of learning as part of the broader movement towards truth and reconciliation.