

MEDIA ADVISORY

Young leaders debate the intergenerational impact of residential schools, the Holocaust, Japanese internment and the Chinese Head Tax

September 13, 2013 - What are the intergenerational impacts of human rights violations such as the residential schools? What does reconciliation mean? How can we ensure that human rights violations don't continue to happen? Four young leaders will tackle timely questions such as these at a dialogue entitled "Be the Change: Young People Healing the Past and Building the Future" September 18 at the Pacific Coliseum in Vancouver. Co-hosted by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC) and the Inspirit Foundation, the dialogue is part of the TRC's British Columbia National Event from September 18 to 21, 2013.

Columnist Daphne Bramham from The Vancouver Sun will moderate the dialogue.

Media are invited to attend the event. Interviews with the panelists can be coordinated in the days leading up to the event or immediately after.

What: A cross-cultural dialogue among young panelists who are facing the intergenerational impacts of human rights violations such as the residential schools, the Holocaust, Japanese internment and the Chinese Head Tax – and turning reconciliation into action.

Who: Panelists:
Kim Harvey
Kevin Takahide Lee
Caroline Wong
Danny Richmond

Where: [PNE - Pacific Coliseum](#)
100 North Renfrew Street, Vancouver

When: Wednesday, September 18, 2013
From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. PST (after the Opening Ceremony)

About the TRC:

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada is an independent commission established as a result of the 2007 Indian Residential Schools Settlement Agreement. Its mandate is to inform all Canadians about what happened in the 150-year history of the residential schools, and to guide and inspire a process of reconciliation and renewed relationships based on mutual understanding and respect.

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About Inspirit:

The Inspirit Foundation is a national, grant-making organization dedicated to supporting young people of different spiritual, religious and secular backgrounds in building relationships and shaping, together, a more inclusive and pluralist Canada. www.inspiritfoundation.org

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