



On the island of O'ahu: Heading to the Hullua Fishpond for restoration

A SHARED Future Newsletter



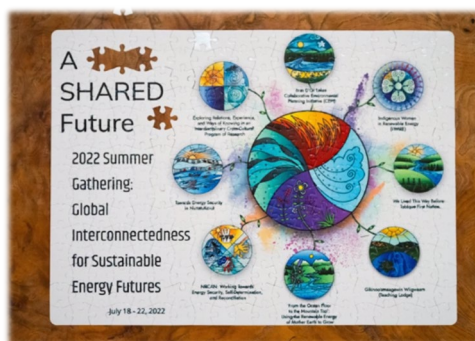
Hello A SHARED Future team members!
 We are entering the sunset phase of A SHARED Future, but we will continue to share updates from the A SHARED Future Network on our website at www.asharedfuture.ca and through our listserv. If you have any updates you wish to share, you can send them to the ASF Co-Directors Heather Castleden and Diana Lewis at castleden@uvic.ca or dlewis11@uoguelph.ca

Announcements

A SHARED Future Summer Gathering 2022 Short Film

The A SHARED Future Co-Directors and Josh Lyon (FLK Productions) are thrilled to share a new short film from our 2022 Summer Gathering, *Global Interconnectedness for Sustainable Energy Futures*, held on the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq Peoples at Asitu'lisk Indigenous Learning Centre, near Bridgewater, Nova Scotia. You can watch the video through [Vimeo here](#) and on [our website](#)

The video features interviews with Summer Gathering participants who reflected on the value of their experience and the linkages formed by bringing together such a diverse and dedicated team. The A SHARED Future Co-Directors would like to thank all of those who attended the 2022 Summer Gathering and took the time to share their thoughts with Josh and the production team.



A SHARED Future Summer Gathering 2022: Global Interconnectedness for Sustainable Energy Futures



Josh Lyon (AKAFLK Productions), producer of the ASF Summer Institute 2022 film

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A SHARED Knowledge Translation Post-Doc: Dr. Nicole Bates-Eamer

✚ The A SHARED Future team is pleased to introduce Dr. Nicole Bates-Eamer to the network! Nicole is a white settler, born and raised on the traditional territories of the Snuneymuxw people on Vancouver Island. After spending 10+ years studying and working abroad, an irrepressible tug at her soul brought her back to the Island where she tries to spend as much time as possible in the forests and waters. Nicole recently completed her PhD in Political Science at the University of Victoria where she explored the intersections of climate change and human mobility (migration and displacement), particularly how actors frame the issue. Her diverse research interests are driven by a commitment to creating a more equitable, resilient, and inclusive world. She's interested in questions about decision-making, policy design and culturally-relevant metrics, and the impacts of climate change on communities and well-being.

Nicole is working with Heather at the University of Victoria and will be focusing on producing knowledge

outputs from the *Working Towards Energy Security* and *Indigenous Women in Renewable Energy* research projects, as well as programmatic work around the A SHARED Future research programme. Welcome to the team, Nicole!



Dr. Margo Greenwood appointed to Senate of Canada:

✚ The A SHARED Future team is excited to congratulate Dr. Margo Greenwood (University of Northern British Columbia), member of our International Advisory Committee, on her recent appointment to the Senate of Canada! Senator Greenwood said [in a recent interview](#) that she is "honoured to be appointed as a Senator and look forward to contributing to the work of the Senate in an independent and non-partisan way. My contribution to the Senate is grounded in my commitment to the health and well-being of all people, including Indigenous children and families. I'm proud to bring all of my lived experience to this work". Congratulations Senator Greenwood!



Elder Albert Marshall Indspire Lifetime Achievement Award

It is a great honour to congratulate Elder Albert Marshall, member of our International Advisory Committee, on his receipt of the Indspire Lifetime Achievement Award. Created in 1993, in conjunction with the United Nations International Decade of the World's Indigenous Peoples, the Indspire Awards recognize Indigenous professionals and youth who demonstrate outstanding career achievement. They promote self-esteem and pride for Indigenous communities and provide outstanding role models for Indigenous youth. The lifetime achievement award recognizes the positive impacts its recipients have had on their communities and across society.

[As provided by Indspire](#), "Elder Dr. Albert Marshall has devoted his life to tirelessly preserving, strengthening, and spreading Mi'kmaq culture, language, values, and concepts. He is a co-creator of the influential Etuaptmuk/Two-Eyed Seeing (E/TES) guiding principle,

which serves to integrate traditional Indigenous ways of knowing with other systems of thought, synthesizing them to create a strong, healthy common ground. Not only has it been profoundly meaningful for Indigenous peoples, it has also been important for non-Indigenous organizations who are endeavouring to become healthier, more welcoming spaces for Indigenous peoples.

Elder Albert and his late wife, Elder Dr. Murdena Marshall, travelled across Turtle Island to speak about E/TES to a wide variety of institutions, promoting E/TES as a model for intercultural collaboration. Elder Albert has published widely, with his works serving as valuable guides that have shaped everything from environmental decision-making to health research to economic development. Within his Eskasoni community, Elder Albert shares his knowledge through workshops and mentors youth as well

as adult community members who want to learn more about their Mi'kmaq culture. His work with the Unama'ki Institute of Natural Resources has been influential for decades.

Whether he was speaking in Europe about the dangers of Agent Orange, working to achieve recognition of Dakota sacred lands at Oheyawahi in Minnesota, or teaching in Eskasoni about the importance of eel harvesting, Elder Albert has always remained firmly rooted in the Mi'kmaq Seven Guiding Principles – and has touched countless hearts and minds in the process.



Wishing Ron Glass a happy retirement!

✚ The ASF Team wishes Dr. Ron Glass, International Advisory Committee member, a wonderful retirement from his position as Professor of Philosophy of Education at UC Santa Cruz and Director of the Centre for Collaborative Research for an Equitable California. Ron has had a long career focused on philosophic work about education as a practice of freedom, ideological (trans)formation, and the role of education and public learning processes in creating a just, pluralistic democracy.

Ron's contributions to the International Advisory Committee have been critical to the direction of the A SHARED Future research program. Ron ran two ethics-based research exercises at our 2019 Summer Institute in Tobique territory that have continued to have a strong influence on the ways in which the ASF teams have approached conducting research. These contributions will have lasting impacts well beyond the life of A SHARED

Future and we cannot thank Ron enough for his ongoing and continuing engagement with A SHARED Future. Congratulations Ron!



Chad Walker appointed to Dalhousie University School of Planning

✚ The A SHARED Future team is pleased to congratulate Dr. Chad Walker, former Post-Doctoral Fellow on the A SHARED Future team and Research Associate on the 'We Lived This Way Before' project, on his recent appointment as Assistant Professor to the Dalhousie School of Planning in the Faculty of Architecture and Planning. Congratulations Chad!



Carlos Sánchez-Pimienta awarded Trudeau Fellowship

✦ A huge congratulations to A SHARED Future and Gikinoó'amaagewin Wiigwam's very own Carlos Sánchez-Pimienta (Doctoral Candidate, Social and Behavioural Health Sciences, Dalla Lana School of Public Health, University of Toronto) for being awarded a Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation PhD Scholarship! Carlos joins a cohort of engaged scholars across Canada known for their academic excellence and leadership, providing them with a network to share their plurality of perspectives.

Through the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation Scholarship, Carlos seeks to expand the scope of his work from local community foci toward policymaking at national and international levels. Congratulations on this prestigious award, Carlos!



Highlights

ASF Co-Directors Exchange Knowledge Abroad

ASF Co-Directors Heather and Dee took to the skies in March and April 2023 for a series of presentations and knowledge exchange opportunities in Hawai'i, Australia, Aotearoa, and Malaysia. Heather's son Dylan also joined along for the ride!

The team started their adventure in Hawai'i to present in the Department of Geography at the University of Hawaii Manoa with Chantelle Richmond, former Programmatic Steering Committee member in the early days of ASF's development. The next day, Heather, Dee, Chantelle, and Dylan participated in First Saturday, also known as Community Working Days, which are a Ka Papa Lo'i 'o Kānewai tradition to revitalize taro at the Hawai'inuiākea School of Hawaiian Knowledge. Alongside Indigenous students and faculty, Heather got her hands and feet dirty getting into the mulching beds of the tarot to help with weeding.



Chantelle Richmond, Dee, Heather, and others at the University of Hawai'i, Manoa

They also had the opportunity to assist the Huihua Loko I'a Project (fish habitat restoration) by helping pull mangroves out of the fish habitat to help revitalize traditional fishing practices in the community. Heather and Dee appreciated these opportunities as a learning experience and to give back to the communities when traveling in Hawaii can, at times, feel extractive as a tourist.



Dee, Heather, and Dylan helping out with habitat restoration on O'ahu with Ethan and his teachers.

From Hawai'i, the team landed in Brisbane, Australia against a backdrop of a referendum set to take place in the fall that seeks to recognize greater rights for Australian Indigenous Peoples. They had the opportunity to present at the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) and connected with Dr. Chris Bourke, Program Director, Louisa Warren, Executive Manager, Elizabeth Walker, Executive Officer, Indigenous Science and Engagement, and Drs. Ray Mahoney and Cassandra Price, along with many others. They also met with Dr. Ciaran O'Faircheallaigh and gave a presentation at the Child Health Research Centre at the University of Queensland, and were treated to a tour of the Centre by Dr. Dwan Vilcins and staff.



Dee and Heather with folks from CSIRO's Indigenous Science and Engagement Area Group

Then, they met with the Roundtable for the Institute of Sustainable Futures and Centre for the Advancement of Indigenous Knowledges at the University of Technology in Sydney where they

exchanged publications and knowledge. The group also did not miss the opportunity to watch a rugby match with over 40,000 people in attendance.

They then continued to Macquarie University where Richie Howitt, International Advisory Committee member, is Emeritus Professor in the School of Social Sciences. Sadly, Richie was not in Australia during the time the team was there, but they had the opportunity to present to the Geoplan Seminar Series with Sandie Suschet-Pearson (Professor, Geography and Planning, Macquarie University).



Dylan at the rugby pitch in Sydney

The team then moved over to Canberra to present to the Australian Government’s Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment, and Water with Emma Woodward (Senior Research Scientist CSIRO), who was a visiting scholar with Heather at Queen’s University and attended the ASF 2018 Summer Institute in Tobique First Nation. Emma helped organize meetings in Brisbane with the Office of Indigenous Engagement and an opportunity to speak with members of the Australian government about A SHARED Future about our research process and some of the findings from our projects, particularly around some of the lessons learned from the NRCan IODI project. Emma also brought Heather and Dee into conversation with Ray Lovett (Research Fellow, Australian National University) and Brad Moggridge (Associate Professor, Centre for Applied Water Science, University of Canberra). While at the University of Canberra, Tom Gleeson, Associate Professor in the Department of

Civil Engineering and colleague of Heather’s at the University of Victoria, happened to be in the area and connected with the team as well. Of course, Heather and Dee brought a suitcase full of A SHARED Future swag to share along the way!

The team then had the chance to head over to New Zealand to spend time with friend and International Advisory Committee member Lisa Te Heu-Heu and her husband Gerard in Lake Taupo, Aotearoa. Then, the team continued onto Auckland to meet with Helen Moewaka Barnes (Director Whariki and Co-Director of SHORE and Whariki Research Centre), Tim McCreanor (Senior Researcher, SHORE and Whariki Research Centre), Robin Kearns (Professor, School of Geology and Environmental Science, University of Auckland) and Rhys Jones (Associate Professor, Faculty of Medical and Health Science, University of Auckland). Together, they shared common research interests and discussed future collaborations on the Archipelagos Research Project.



Dee presenting to Lincoln University’s Department of Environmental Management

The team continued onto Ōtautahi Christchurch on the South Island to meet with Dyanna Jolly (Lincoln University) and present in the Department of Environmental Management. This was followed up with some fieldtrips in the area, including one to the Tāwhaki Indigenous Aerospace Research Centre at Kaitorete. Tāwhaki is a Joint Venture between mana whenua (the Māori communities who have customary authority in the area) and the Crown (the New Zealand Government).



Dee Heather, Dyanna, and Dylan at Kaitorete

Finally, the team concluded their adventure in Sarawak, Malaysia to present at the International Association for Impact Assessment with Dee presenting “Developing Models of Indigenous-led Environmental Health Risk Assessment” and the work she is leading with Athabasca Chipewyan and Mikisew Cree First Nations, Oneida Nation of the Thames, and Fort Chipewyan Métis Nation. The team was surprised and excited to see the interconnections at the conference between impact assessment, planetary health, and renewable energy and made lots of great connections with folks there, including Jetty Ward, Philippe Hanna (Assistant Professor in Spatial Planning and Impact Assessment, University of Groningen), and JoAnne Michano (Biigtigong First Nation). During their time in Sarawak, the team met Melvin Gumal (Department CEO, Sarawak Forestry Conservation Corporation, who is leading conservation efforts with his community and presented on the work he is doing there.

It was a whirlwind trip that resulted in some brilliant moments of knowledge exchange, the opportunity to nurture existing relationships and form new ones, and memories that will last a lifetime. Thank you to all of those we met along the way for their graciousness, hospitality, and warm welcomes!



ASF Co-Directors Dee and Heather in Hawai’i

CIHR Environments and Health Signature Initiative – Research Summit

A delegation from A SHARED Future attended CIHR's Environments and Health Research summit, the final meeting of the project teams funded through CIHR's Environments and Health Signature Initiative (EHSI) in 2016. The meeting took place in 17-18 April on the unceded, unsurrendered territory of the Anishinaabe Algonquin Peoples in Ottawa, Ontario. The summit provided an opportunity for teams to learn about key results from the 18 EHSI projects and to discuss options and strategies for future CIHR funding specifically on the environment-health nexus. The summit also provided an exchange of ideas on what different knowledge users need in terms of how to share completed and ongoing research insights to increase knowledge exchange and uptake into policy, programs, and practice.

Simon Brascoupé (Chair, International Advisory Committee), Carlos Sánchez-Pimienta (PhD Candidate, University of Toronto, Gikinoó'amaagewin Wiigwam Team Member), and Nicole Bates-Eamer (Post-Doctoral Fellow, University of Victoria) attended on behalf of A SHARED Future to share some of our research findings and knowledge from the program. It was a great opportunity to connect with other project teams. [You can find recordings of the pre-summit webinars, daily meetings, and presentations here.](#)



Simon Brascoupé, Carlos Sánchez-Pimienta, and Nicole Bates-Eamer at the EHSI Meeting

Project Updates

Here is what project Co-Leads have been working on since our last update:

Gikinoó'amaagewin Wiigwam

Project Team: Diane Giroux, Lorne Pawis, Jeff Masuda, Hannah Neufeld, Erica Shardlow, Carlos Sánchez-Pimienta

Current Status: This project is in its final ASF phase over the Summer; it will continue independently in the Fall.

Update: We are thrilled to announce that Erica Shardlow successfully defended her master's thesis on April 2023! Her thesis project advanced insights into how land stewardship at M'Wikwedong can operationalize environmental repossession in an urban context. As such, Erica's work paved the way for further community engagement and consultation on sustainability-related initiatives at this friendship centre, including constructing a Teaching Lodge and renewable energy in urban contexts. Given that A SHARED Future is winding down, our team is preparing to move on independently for the second stage of Gikinoó'amaagewin Wiigwam. Lorne Pawis, the new Cultural Resource Coordinator at M'Wikwedong, and Diane Giroux have kindly offered guidance for designing this next stage. Our research plan involves supporting M'Wikwedong's work regarding the construction of a sweat lodge and teaching lodge at the property of the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority (beside Inglis Falls). The collaboration with Grey Sauble Conservation Authority has been made possible by the intersectoral work of our team member Diane Giroux, who has mediated relationships between M'Wikwedong and external organizations for the past five years.

While the first phase of this research project focused on learning from staff and board members, the second phase will centre on consulting Indigenous community members about similar topics. We are finalizing a research proposal to present to M'Wikwedong's Executive Director and the A SHARED Future Co-Directors.

Working Towards Energy Security, Self-Determination, and Reconciliation: A Collaborative Analysis of Natural Resources Canada's Off Diesel Initiative

Project Co-Leads: Heather Castleden and Naato'Ihkpiakii (Melissa Quesnelle)

Postdoctoral Fellow: Nicole Bates-Eamer

Research Assistant: Marc Calabretta
Advisory Committee: Ken Paul, Diana Lewis, Siobhan Slade, Vince Robinson

Update: Nicole and Marc are working with Heather to synthesize the data collected from the project into knowledge outputs. Currently, they are working on two manuscripts, one aimed at the *Journal of Aboriginal Economic Development* and the other for *Canadian Public Administration Development* and the other for *Canadian Public Administration*.

Indigenous Women in Renewable Energy (I-WIRE)

Co-Leads: Naato'Ihkpiakii (Melissa Quesnelle) and Heather Castleden

Postdoctoral Fellow: Nicole Bates-Eamer

Advisory Committee: Barbara Dumont-Hill, Tanna Pirie-Wilson.

Update: Nicole will begin reviewing the data analysis and preparing a publication from the I-WIRE gathering later this summer/fall. Stay tuned!

We Lived This Way Before - Tobique First Nation

Co-Leads: Diana Lewis, Tanna Pirie-Wilson.

Research Assistant: Antonina Struminsky-Bodden

Advisory Committee: Knowledge Holder Ramona Nicholas, Chief and Council Representative (Jennifer Sappier), Research Associate (Dr. Chad Walker), and Community Research Assistant Rosha Nicholas.

Update: The team has finalized their ethics application and are awaiting approval. We will start collecting survey data in the next few months. Dr. Chad Walker, now at Dalhousie University in the School of Planning, will wrap up his interviews with leadership and other First Nations. Will keep you posted on progress.

The survey supports Negotkuk as they explore renewable energy as a determinant of health in their community, and to provide important feedback on the potential training/job opportunities for community members that may come from a renewable energy future. The survey is expected to take 20 minutes to complete and will be administered by Rosha Sappier who is a trusted community member who has had much success with the completion of the community energy plan.

Bras d'Or Lakes CEPI

Co-Leads: Mary Beth Doucette, Lisa Young, and Stan Johnson

Advisory Committee: Elder Albert Marshall and Cheryl Bartlett

Update: The Bras d'or Lakes Collaborative Environmental Planning Initiative (CEPI) project with ASF is now complete. A final report from the project has been published and will be made available on the A SHARED Future website. The team has a book chapter on storytelling that is in press, alongside an article from a conference presentation Mary Beth gave

at the Administrative Sciences Association of Canada in June 2022 that focused on the history of the CEPI. Stay tuned for further announcements when these pieces are published and available.

In related news, we are pleased to share that Mary Beth has been appointed as the new Co-Chair of the CEPI with the retirement of previous Co-Chair Dan Christmas. Congratulations Mary Beth on this new position!



Mary Beth Doucette, ASF Project Co-Lead and CEPI Co-Chair

Towards Energy Security in NunatuKavut

Co-Leads: Debbie Martin, Amy Hudson.

Update: None at time of publication.

Advancing Culturally Relevant Gender Based Analysis in Indigenous Research on Renewable Energy Futures and Health

Co-Lead: Jeff Masuda and Tiffanie Walsh

Project Assistant:

Advisory Committee: Programmatic Steering Committee

Update: While this project has concluded, it is exciting to report that the Native Women's Association of Canada has recently released a new [Research Toolkit!](#)

Perspectives Among Indigenous Youth on Energy and Food Sovereignty

Co-Leads: Hannah Neufeld and Chief Gordon Planes

Update: This project has concluded.

Upcoming Conferences

- CEPI Two-Eyed Seeing Conference – November 13-15, 2023. Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. Details forthcoming, but the CEPI has released a preview video about the conference [on their Facebook page](#).
- Imagining America National Gathering: Radical Reckoning: Invoking the Elements for Collective Change – October 20-22, 2023. Providence, Rhode Island.

The Imagining America National Gathering is an annual convening of public scholars, artists, designers, students, and cultural organizers who are addressing the most pressing issues of our time. The 2023 Imagining America (IA) National Gathering invokes the elements of fire, water, earth, and air to inspire collaboration, offer new lessons and approaches, and demonstrate how the process of reckoning is both reflective and active. [You can learn more about the conference and register here.](#)

- International Association of Impact Assessment – April 24-27, 2024. Dublin, Ireland. [Conference and registration details can be found here.](#)