

The Gathering 2016: Confirmed Workshops

Title	Presenters	Description	Time
Practicing Mindfulness	Nicole Neault, WRHA Mental Health Promotion	A brief introduction to Mindfulness: Experience everyday Mindfulness practices that can help reduce stress & enhance well being.	10:30am
Moving Classrooms to the Community	Daniel Leonard, University of Winnipeg	Come discuss the merits and dangers of university-community partnerships increasingly promoted by post-secondary institutions.	10:30am
Thriving During Organizational Change	Dr. Dawn-Marie Turner, President Turner Change Management	Employees and leaders continue to struggle with the discomfort of organizational change. Organizational change doesn't have to be so uncomfortable that is drains the energy from your organization. In this workshop Dr. Dawn-Marie Turner will share three simple but powerful strategies to help you thrive during organizational change.	10:30am
Social Enterprises Transforming Communities	Kaye Grant and Marty Donkervoort, Reconnaissance Management Consulting Group Inc.	Social enterprise is an economic tool to create employment, address poverty issues and improve general neighbourhood wellbeing. This workshop will provide the basics of social enterprise and the role it plays in building a local sustainable economy. It will provide examples of social enterprises locally and beyond.	10:30am
Cooperatives in Manitoba - an overview	Cheryl Krostewitz, Manitoba Cooperative Association	This is the first in a series of cooperative workshops offered today. Learn how co-ops bring people together to provide much needed services in their communities. You'll learn about the values and principles, how co-ops differ from other business models and the impact of co-ops in Manitoba.	10:30am
The Green Workplace	Dennis Cunningham, Assiniboine Credit Union Beth McKechnie, Green Action Centre	Greening your organization can deliver multiple wins – engaged and healthier employees, cost savings and efficiencies, and reduced environmental impacts. Dennis Cunningham from Assiniboine Credit Union will share how to get green change happening. Beth McKechnie from Green Action Center will highlight many of the resources and services they offer to support greening your workplace. You'll leave the session with examples of actions and tools that can be used in any organization.	10:30am

Creating University-Bound Identities in WPG's core	The University of Winnipeg-Community Learning	The University of Winnipeg is known for our efforts to Indigenize our institution. As a part of our strategy to increase the number of Indigenous students we have an extensive array of community learning programs designed to engage learners as they develop university-bound identities and create a pathway to post-secondary education for them.	10:30am
Mentorship Program For Social Enterprises & Co-ops	Michel Auger, Réseau M Christian Fais, CDEM Erwan Bouchaud, Manitoba Cooperative Community Strategy	Structure, training and benefits of a mentorship program specifically designed for Social Enterprises (Réseau M) The launch of a co-op stream in MB!	10:30am
Out of the Shadows: Migrant Farmworkers in MB	Karen Hamilton, Migrant Worker Solidarity Network Thomas Novak, Migrant Worker Solidarity Network	Learn about migrant farmworkers in Manitoba as well as successful advocacy strategies undertaken to support them in this interactive workshop.	10:30am
Financing 101	Nigel Mohammed, Director, Community Financial Centre (ACU)	The right money at the right time is essential! This session will help your small business, cooperative or non-profit organization prepare for debt financing. Topics include: Culture/Perception of Debt; Financing vs. Funding; Types of Debt instruments; and What lenders look for. Participants will leave with a checklist for financing and a list of resources.	10:30am
Keynote Q & A	Harsha Walia	This is your chance to have an in depth discussion with our keynote speakers	10:30am
Social Enterprise: Dreaming and Scheming	Darcy Penner, Canadian CED Network	Join community leaders in dreaming big about the role of social enterprise in MB, including updates from the MB Social Enterprise Strategy.	1:30pm
Housing Co-op Basics	Blair Hamilton, Cooperative Housing Federation of Canada	This session will review what a housing co-operative is, how they are run, and why you might want to live in one. It will touch on how this form of democratic housing fits in the affordable housing landscape of Manitoba.	1:30pm
Using Plain Language	Corrina Loewen, AMI Entry Program Melissa Germain, AMI Entry Program	Learn the basic theory of plain language and clear design, and increase your confidence in applying those theories to the materials you develop.	1:30pm
Post Growth Climate Solutions	Transition Winnipeg, CMU	Increasing mass consumption won't tackle climate change and it doesn't make societies happier. Is it time to embrace prosperity without growth?	1:30pm
Transgender Awareness and Inclusion	Reece Malone, Education Program Coordinator, Rainbow Resource Centre	For better understanding of what transgender people experience and ways to engage more effectively with transgender individuals and their families.	1:30pm

Building Indigenous Cooperative Capacity	Crystal Laborero, Building Indigenous Cooperative Capacity - Ka Ni Kanichihk	The "Building Aboriginal Co-op Capacity Project", hosted by Ka Ni Kanichihk, was created to develop a co-op strategy for the Aboriginal community in Winnipeg, engage Aboriginal and cooperative stakeholders, and identify potential co-operative business ideas for the Aboriginal community. The intent was to animate the community around the ideals of cooperative development, gage the interest and opportunities, and determine how we move forward in and with the community. Come and learn more about the key learnings from this project.	1:30pm
Playback Theatre: Tools to Build Empathy	Dana Rungay, Bequie Lake and Elena Anciro, Red Threads of Peace	This interactive, on your feet workshop will explore the tools of playback theatre and how it can be used in a community development context to help strengthen community and build empathy. Great for those interested in arts and community development or facilitators of all kinds.	1:30pm
The Syrian Refugee Response in Manitoba	Seid Oumer Ahmed, Refugee Response Coordinator	The Canadian Government announced the resettlement of 25,000 Syrian refugees in November 2015; by the end of March 2016 Manitoba had received 928 government sponsored refugees. the lessons learned, emerging trends and challenges of settling an unprecedented number of refugees in Manitoba.	1:30pm
CED 101		CED & Social Enterprise? Let's cover the basics. Come and learn about the ideas and projects that communities are using to create better economic, social, and environmental conditions – with examples from right here in Manitoba.	3:00pm
The Politics of Policy	Kirsten Bernas, Canadian CED Network	Learn about public policy areas that impact your work to reduce poverty and build communities. Find out what level of government is responsible for those policies, who the key decision makers are, and how decisions are made. Hear about how policy choices are impacted by the values of the governing party and how you can influence those choices.	3:00pm
Engaging Today's Volunteers	Dawn Bourbonnais, Manager of Communications and Outreach, Volunteer Manitoba	Having skilled, motivated and happy volunteers working for you is a sign of the overall health and strength of your organization. It is vital that non-profits and organizations who engage volunteers stay current on the latest strategies for the communication and involvement of volunteers. This workshop will explore the needs of your volunteers and what motivates them to be a part of your organization.	3:00pm
Managing and Analyzing Evaluation Data	Daniel Gravenor, Health in Common	Tools and tips for data collection, management and analysis.	3:00pm

The Practice and Politics of Social Impact Bonds	Jesse Hajer, Breakwater Group Worker Cooperative	Social Impact Bonds are a relatively new way for governments, foundations and investors to finance the delivery of prevention-focused social programs. This workshop explores how this innovative but controversial procurement model works in practice, and how SIBs impact the various stakeholders in social public service delivery.	3:00pm
Asset Building approaches in Community Development	Sally Massey-Wiebe, Community Financial Counselling Services Louise Simbandumwe, SEED Winnipeg	Join Community Financial Counselling Services and SEED Winnipeg for an interactive workshop that explores approaches to asset building and its impact on Community Economic Development.	3:00pm
Trials and Triumphs: Co-ops 201	Katie Daman, Farm Fresh Food Hub James Magnus-Johnston, Farm Fresh Food Hub Darlene Dolinski, Artisan Inspired Marketing Cooperative Aaron Russin, Peg City Car Co-op	Move beyond theory and into the gritty details of successful co-ops in their day to day work. Panelists from the Artisan Inspired Marketing Cooperative, Peg City Car Co-op, and the Farm Fresh Food Hub. Explore the challenges of translating values into daily action, staying true to the vision, member engagement and unexpected challenges.	3:00pm
Evaluation: Seeing the Forest AND the Trees	Eupraxia Training	Who has time to evaluate?! You're so busy running programs that there's just no time to keep track of all the good that you're doing. Let's talk about the role of evaluation in program planning, different ways of describing the value of your work, and some steps you can take to explore your broader social impact.	3:00pm