

Public lecture

Healing, Truth and Justice in Canada



Mike DeGagné is the founding Executive Director of Canada's Aboriginal Healing Foundation, which is governed by a board of leaders from the First Nations, Metis and Inuit communities.

The independent foundation is responsible for distributing a \$515 million fund set up by the Canadian Government in 1998 to compensate Indigenous Canadians for experiences eerily similar to those of Australia's Stolen Generations. The foundation's mission is to address the legacy of physical, sexual, mental, cultural and spiritual abuses arising from Canada's Aboriginal residential school system.

Mike received a Bachelor of Science from the University of Toronto, Masters Degrees in Health Administration and in Law, and a PhD focussing on Aboriginal post-secondary education.

Prior to joining the Aboriginal Healing Foundation, Mike held positions with the Canadian Centre on Substance Abuse, Health Canada, and Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, in management and negotiations.

Mike lectures frequently on Aboriginal health, residential schools, reconciliation and governance. He serves on a number of boards, including Algoma University, is the Vice-President of the Child Welfare League of Canada, and past Chairman of the Queensway Carleton Hospital.

Professor Lenore Manderson will join Mike, to comment on memorialisation and the historical record in Australia and South Africa.

Date: Tuesday 10 November, 2009

Time: 2–3.30 pm lecture and discussion

Location: Lecture theatre H1, building 11, Monash University, Clayton

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