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Welcome to the 2022 Hudson Bay Summit

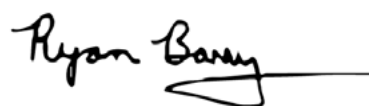
Welcome, and thank you for joining us at the 2022 Hudson Bay Summit! Over the next three days we will continue the conversation on moving forward on shared priorities for the environmental stewardship of the Hudson Bay and James Bay region. By again bringing together community representatives, rights holders and partners around one large table to collaborate on issues of importance, we renew our commitment to work together towards a shared vision for all of Hudson Bay and James Bay.

The greater Hudson Bay and James Bay region is a critical ecosystem for wildlife and communities that rely on them. Its historical significance is rivaled only by its huge potential for further economic development; yet it remains one of the least funded and understudied regions in Canada, and lacks an integrated governance structure. Inter-jurisdictional challenges continue to complicate research and stewardship efforts.

The Hudson Bay Consortium is a collaborative effort among communities, rights holders, Indigenous organizations and all levels of government to work together towards a shared vision for the region, including knowledge sharing, sustainable development, coordinated research and monitoring, integrated regional stewardship and Indigenous Knowledge-informed management.

The 2022 Hudson Bay Summit will host a series of focused workshops designed to recognize the progress that has been made over the past 4 years since its launch in 2018, and chart the course for the Hudson Bay Consortium for the next 5-year period.

We look forward to good discussions on collaborative action for the Hudson Bay and James Bay region.



Lucassie Arragutainaq and Ryan Barry, Co-Chairs, 2022 Hudson Bay Summit.

About the Hudson Bay Consortium

Vision Statement for the Hudson Bay Consortium

Encouraging and facilitating cross-jurisdictional and cross-cultural communication, cooperation and collaboration in the pursuit of knowledge and the means to protect, improve and steward the greater Hudson Bay and James Bay ecosystem for the primary benefit of the people, flora and fauna that live there.

Guiding Principles for the Hudson Bay Consortium

As the communities, organizations, bodies of Indigenous, local and regional governance and other interested partners of the greater Hudson Bay and James Bay coast, we are indicating our commitment to work together as a network through the Hudson Bay Consortium for the benefit of present and future generations towards a shared vision and common goals for the environmental stewardship and sustainable development of the greater Hudson Bay and James Bay ecosystem. In this spirit, participants will conduct themselves ethically and fairly, with community wellbeing and environmental stewardship as our priorities. In particular, we will:

1. Respect different cultures, values, and the natural environment;
2. Work holistically to ensure the Hudson Bay and James Bay ecosystem are managed as a common entity from both physical and human perspectives;
3. Recognize Indigenous rights, self-determination and knowledge;
4. Communicate and share information towards the pursuit of knowledge and coordination, without impacting the neutrality or decision-making abilities of existing governance and land claim structures;
5. Allow all interested groups the opportunity to discuss mutual interests, goals, and responsibilities;
6. Build strong linkages between Indigenous knowledge and scientific knowledge towards increased understanding and stewardship of the Hudson Bay and James Bay ecosystem.



Detailed Agenda

Day 1: Tuesday, November 29th

7:00 *Breakfast and Registration*

9:00 **Opening Ceremony**

Opening Remarks by Chairs

Keynote Speakers:

- Natan Obed, President, Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami
- Alison Linklater, Grand Chief, Mushkegowuk Council
- Mandy Gull-Masty, Grand Chief, Cree Nation of Eeyou Istchee
- Aluki Kotierk, President, Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated
- Adamie Delisle-Alaku, Vice President, Makivik Corporation
- Gabriel Nirlungayuk Regional Director General, Arctic Region, Fisheries and Oceans Canada

10:30 ☕ *Coffee Break*

10:45 **Welcoming Remarks**

11:00 **Workshop 1: Strategic Planning Overview**

12:00 🍴 *Lunch*

1:00 **Workshop 2: Community Updates and Priorities**

- Kangiqsujuaq, Salluit, Ivujivik, Akulivik, Puvirnituaq, Inukjuak, Umiujaq, Kuujjuarapik, Sanikiluaq, Whapmagoostui, Chisasibi, Wemindji, Eastmain, Waskaganish, Moose Cree First Nation, Fort Albany, Kashechewan, Attawapiskat, Weenusk/Peawanuck

3:00 ☕ *Coffee Break*

3:15 **Workshop 2 continued: Community Updates and Priorities**

- York Factory First Nation, Churchill, Arviat, Whale Cove, Rankin Inlet, Chesterfield Inlet, Baker Lake, Coral Harbour, Naujaat

4:45 **Daily Wrap-up (4:45 - 5:00)**



Detailed Agenda *continued*

Day 2: Wednesday, November 30th

7:00 🍴 Breakfast

8:30 Welcoming Remarks; Day 1 Recap

9:00 **Workshop 3:** Indigenous Stewardship and Protected Areas

- Southhampton Island Area of Interest (AOI)
- Arqvilliit Indigenous Protected and Conserved Area (IPCA) Establishment Project
- Qikiqtait Protected Area

10:00 ☕ Coffee Break

10:15 **Workshop 3** continued: Indigenous Stewardship and Protected Areas

- Feasibility Assessment to establish a National Marine Conservation Area (NMCA) in Eastern James Bay
- Mushkegowuk National Marine Conservation Area (NMCA) in Western James Bay and Southwestern Hudson Bay
- Kitaskiinan Kawekanawaynichikatek Indigenous Protected and Conserved Area (IPCA)

11:30 **Workshop 4:** Community-Driven Research & Monitoring

- Community-Led Research with North by North Program, ArcticNet
- Community-Based Climate Programs, CIRNAC

12:00 🍴 Lunch

1:00 **Workshop 4** continued: Community-Driven Research & Monitoring

- SIKU Climate Action Support Program, Arctic Eider Society
- Roundtable Discussion

3:00 ☕ Coffee Break

3:15 **Workshop 4** continued: Community-Driven Research & Monitoring

- Atanniuvik and Nunavik Research
- Chisasibi Eeyou Resource and Research Institute (CERRI)
- The Niskamoon Corporation Eeyou Coastal Habitat Comprehensive Research Program: Understanding long-term environmental change across the eastern James Bay coast
- Aqqiumavvik Arviat Wellness Society
- Foxe Basin Kivalliq North Sapujiyiit Society
- Discussion

4:45 **Daily Wrap-up** (4:45 - 5:00)

5:00 **Poster Session** (5:00 - 5:45)

Detailed Agenda *continued*

Day 3: Thursday, December 1st

7:00 🍴 Breakfast

8:30 Welcoming Remarks; Day 2 Recap

9:00 Introduction to the new Canadian Coast Guard/Fisheries and Ocean Canada Arctic Region

Keynote Speakers:

- Neil O'Rourke, Assistant Commissioner, Arctic Region, Canadian Coast Guard
- Gabriel Nirlungayuk Regional Director General, Arctic Region, Fisheries and Oceans Canada

9:30 **Workshop 5:** Community Fisheries & Environmental Response

- Canadian Coast Guard (CCG) - Environmental Response
- Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) - Community Fisheries

10:00 ☕ Coffee Break

10:15 **Workshop 5** continued: Community Fisheries & Environmental Response

12:00 🍴 Lunch

1:00 **Workshop 6:** Supporting Community Leaders

Panelists include:

- Isaac Masty
- Aleashia Echalook
- Jennifer Simard
- Lucassie Arragutainaq

3:00 ☕ Coffee Break

3:15 **Workshop 7:** Charting the path forward for the Consortium

4:45 **Close of the 2022 Summit** (4:45 - 5:00)

7:00 🍷 **Gala Banquet** (7:00 - 10:00)





Summary Schedule

*Please see the detailed schedule for more information

Day 1, Nov 29th		Day 2, Nov 30th		Day 3, Dec 1st	
7:00	Breakfast and Registration	7:00	Breakfast	7:00	Breakfast
9:00		8:30		8:30	
	Opening Ceremony • Opening Remarks by Chairs Keynote Speakers		Workshop 3: <i>Indigenous Stewardship & Protected Areas</i>		Keynote Speakers
10:30		10:00		9:30	
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10:45	Welcoming Remarks	10:15	Workshop 3 (cont): <i>Indigenous Stewardship & Protected Areas</i>	10:15	Workshop 5 (cont): <i>Community Fisheries & Environmental Response</i>
11:00	Workshop 1: <i>Strategic Planning Overview</i>	11:30		11:30	
				Workshop 4: <i>Community-Driven Research & Monitoring</i>	
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	Daily Wrap up		Daily Wrap up		Close of the 2022 Summit
5:00		5:00	5:00 - 5:45 Poster Session	5:00	
					7:00 - 10:00 Gala Banquet

Keynote Speakers - Day 1



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Makivvik Corporation

Keynote Speakers - Day 3



Neil O'Rourke
Assistant Commissioner,
Arctic Region,
Canadian Coast Guard



Gabriel Nirlungayuk
Regional Director General,
Arctic Region,
Fisheries and Oceans Canada

Workshop Descriptions

Workshop 1: Strategic Planning Overview *Nov 29, 10:45 am – 12:00 pm*

Following the Opening Ceremony, the 2022 Summit program will begin with an overview of the Hudson Bay Consortium's approach to developing a new 5-year Strategic Plan to guide its efforts moving forward. Background will be provided regarding how the Consortium came to be, what the vision for the Consortium is, and how it functions in respect to indigenous governance institutions, governments and other parties. Guided discussions and feedback from community delegates throughout the Summit workshops will help to identify potential goals and objectives for the Consortium over the next 5 years, with daily wrap-ups and morning recaps providing opportunity to highlight key points each day. A workshop prior to the close of the Summit will be used to discuss the draft goals and objectives for the Strategic Plan and chart the path forward for the Consortium.

Workshop Coordinators:

Lucassie Arragutainaq - *Arctic Eider Society / Sanikiluaq Hunters and Trappers Association*

Ryan Barry - *Hudson Bay Consortium Secretariat*

Workshop 2: Community Updates and Priorities *Nov 29, 1:00 – 4:45 pm*

This workshop will consist of a Community Roundtable to provide opportunity for delegates invited from each community around Hudson Bay and James Bay to share updates and reflect on progress made towards community initiatives and priorities for marine stewardship. Delegates will also be encouraged to share their thoughts on what areas the Hudson Bay Consortium may be best-positioned to provide support going forward. *Please see page 12 for a list of community priorities.*

Workshop Coordinator: Ryan Barry - *Hudson Bay Consortium Secretariat*

Workshop 3: Indigenous Stewardship and Protected Areas *Nov 30, 9:00 – 11:30 am*

Much has been accomplished by Indigenous governance institutions, regional organizations and community groups to advance stewardship and protected areas initiatives in each region since the 2018 Hudson Bay Summit. After years of effort, it's exciting to see projects move from concept to action using a variety of innovative tools and approaches led by Indigenous communities and groups who have stewarded these areas for time immemorial. Presenters will share updates on their regional initiatives with a focus on future plans and considerations for the overall ecological connectivity of the Hudson Bay region. This is a key opportunity for identifying the actions that communities and regional organizations can take towards ensuring protected areas and stewardship initiatives are successful and for coordinating across jurisdictions so the region can be better stewarded as a whole.

Workshop Coordinator: Colleen Parker - *Nunavut Marine Council*

Presenters:

- Southampton Island Area of Interest (AOI): Charlotte Sharkey, Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO), Michael Tucktoo (KIA)
- Arqviiliit Indigenous Protected and Conserved Area (IPCA) Establishment Project: Johnny Kasudluak and Shaomik Inukpuk, Arqviiliit Steering Committee
- Qikiqtait Protected Area: Mick Appaqaq, Qikiqtani Inuit Association; Lucassie Arragutainaq, Sanikiluaq Hunters and Trappers Association; Joel Heath, Arctic Eider Society
- Feasibility Assessment to establish a National Marine Conservation Area (NMCA) in Eastern James Bay: Chantal Tetreault, Cree Nation Government; Chantal Ouimet, Parks Canada

Workshop Descriptions *continued*

- Mushkegowuk-led National Marine Conservation Area (NMCA) in Western James Bay and Southwestern Hudson Bay: Lawrence Martin, Mushkegowuk Council
- Kitaskiinan Kawekanawaynichikatek Indigenous Protected and Conserved Area (IPCA): Robben Constant, York Factory First Nation

Workshop 4: Community-Driven Research and Monitoring *Nov 30, 11:30 am – 4:45 pm*

Supporting self-determination for northern communities in monitoring, research and environmental stewardship is a key goal of the Hudson Bay Consortium and the Research and Monitoring Working Group. Communities have identified their research and monitoring priorities at the 2018 Hudson Bay Summit and Regional Roundtables; this Workshop will focus on support for moving identified priorities forward into action for community-driven research and monitoring. A session on Priorities to Action will include an overview of available funding directly accessible to communities as well as resources, support training and tools for data collection and project management that can help communities lead programs addressing their outstanding priorities. This will be followed by a discussion session and a series of presentations from each region to share outcomes to-date of ongoing projects, with an emphasis on coordination of research and monitoring efforts across the greater Hudson Bay and James Bay region to better understand large scale changes for the region as a whole.

Workshop Coordinator:

Joel Heath - *Interim Chair, Community-Driven Research and Monitoring Working Group, Hudson Bay Consortium*

Presenters – Priorities to Action:

- Community-Led Research with North by North Program: Pascale Ropers, ArcticNet
- Community-Based Climate Programs: Molly Morse, Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC)
- SIKU Climate Action Support Program: Joel Heath, Arctic Eider Society (AES)

Presenters – Regional Updates:

- Atanniuvik and Nunavik Research: Aleashia Echalook, Makivik Corporation; Frankie Jean-Gagnon, Nunavik Marine Region Wildlife Board
- Chisasibi Eeyou Resource and Research Institute (CERRI): Dante Torio, CERRI
- The Niskamoon Corporation Eeyou Coastal Habitat Comprehensive Research Program: Understanding long-term environmental change across the eastern James Bay coast: Marc Dunn, Ernie Rabbitskin, and Robbie Tapiatic, Niskamoon Corporation; Melanie Leblanc, McGill University; and Zou Zou Kuzyk, University of Manitoba
- Aqqiumavvik Arviat Wellness Society: J'rène Rahm, Université de Montréal
- Foxe Basin Kivalliq North Sapujiyiit Society: Barnie Aggark and Noah Kadlak, Sapujiyiit Society

Workshop 5: Environmental Response & Community Fisheries *Dec 1, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm*

Community members have identified a need for focused discussion around developing small-scale sustainable fisheries and improving capacity for local environmental response throughout the communities of Hudson Bay and James Bay. With the establishment of the new Arctic Region for Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Canadian Coast Guard there is opportunity for a renewed approach to accessing programming and developing new initiatives. This workshop will help to establish the priorities and actions needed going forward.

Workshop Coordinator: Ryan Barry - *Hudson Bay Consortium Secretariat*

Workshop Descriptions *continued*

Workshop 6: Supporting Community Leaders Dec 1, 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Workshop 6 will provide participants the opportunity to discuss the support needed for the next generation of leaders to find success advocating for community-led solutions to environmental stewardship for the Hudson Bay and James Bay region. Recognizing that involving elders and youth in research, monitoring and environmental stewardship activities is a consistent priority of communities and Indigenous organizations, this workshop will also help determine ways to increase engagement of elders and youth in planning and coordination activities of the Consortium, as well as in on-the-ground environmental stewardship activities.

Workshop Coordinator: Kaitlin Breton-Honeyman

Panelists:

- Isaac Masty
- Aleashia Echalook
- Jennifer Simard
- Lucassie Arragutainaq

Workshop 7: Charting the Path Forward for the Hudson Bay Consortium Dec 1, 3:15 – 4:45 pm

Guided discussions and feedback from community delegates throughout the Summit workshops will have helped to identify potential goals and objectives for the Consortium over the next 5 years. This workshop prior to the close of the Summit will be used to review the draft goals and objectives for the Strategic Plan and the process to finalize and action the plan in collaboration with the Steering Committee, Working Groups and other partners.

Workshop Coordinators:

Lucassie Arragutainaq - *Arctic Eider Society/Sanikiluaq Hunters and Trappers Association*
Ryan Barry - *Hudson Bay Consortium Secretariat*



Community Priorities

The following listing of priorities has been collected from:

- 2018 Hudson Bay Summit
- 2019 East Hudson Bay/James Bay Regional Roundtable
- 2021 Direct community engagement with Eastern Hudson Bay/James Bay communities undertaken by the Hudson Bay Consortium Secretariat

Full details can be found in the Reports on the Hudson Bay Consortium website:

www.hudsonbayconsortium.com

Kangiqsujaq

- Industry (proposed & current) affect animal populations, food security and environmental health
- Warmer winters, cooler summers; affect harvesting of animals and berries
- Floe edge is thin and dangerous

Salluit

- Priorities to be determined

Ivujuvik

- Sea ice and lake ice is thin and dangerous
- Foreign species arriving, local seabird & ringed seal populations declining, polar bear population increasing threatening eider duck population
- Increase in marine vessel traffic affecting seabirds and nesting
- Old government and town supplies left out on land; need to be removed

Akulivik

- Warming climate affecting food, animals & sea ice
- Floe edge ice is very thin, Tuvaq (landfast ice) is thinning
- Currents have changed due to industry
- Increased vessel traffic poses environmental emergencies, no response plans in place
- Remote weather stations, designated community jobs devoted to ice safety for hunters

Puvirnituk

- Ice is thinner, thawing permafrost; hard on animals and infrastructure
- Polar bears are frequenting the community and Mansel Island (eider habitat)
- New foreign species
- Erosion patterns changing the islands

Inukjuak

- Warming climate create unpredictable weather, melting permafrost, more rain/less snow, flooding; affects infrastructure, emits heavy metals into environment, damages shoreline
- Eelgrass is now in area, fish cannot swim upstream due to it
- Contaminants in rivers
- Seals have changing diets, body conditions and increase in disease
- Caribou herds at risk of mass drownings in open water (shipping & climate change effects)
- Increased marine vessel traffic is negatively impacting harvesting activities
- Debris and garbage removal requires government assistance

Umiujaq

- Foreign species arrive; more polar/black bears, fewer geese
- Animal behaviors are changing
- Country food tastes difference, concern over consumption safety; beluga, caribou, geese and seal
- Thinning sea ice, melting permafrost

Community Priorities *continued*

- Warming climate affecting transportation between communities
- Seas are less salty and dams have caused streams to dry up

Kuujuaraapik

- Industry impact review required
- Country food is scarce, including beluga which are gone
- Goose migration is changing, difficult to reach geese during hunting season
- Freshwater layer on ocean is causing ice to melt more quickly; ice breaks up earlier than it used to; poor ice conditions prohibiting travel to other communities
- Community would like to start an Arctic char fish farm
- Need additional support for search and rescue and environmental response
- Mussels and clams are not as fat as they used to be
- New species, wolves, entering and posing risk to safety of community members
- Polar bear quota of 1, even though the polar bears are going through community, and the community eats polar bear meat
- Require new hunting trails to access animals; ice trails are no longer safe/usable

Sanikiluaq

- Drastic changes in animal populations; walrus and harp seals are scarce, ringed seals sink in the winter when hunted
- Sea ice is thinner and more dangerous
- Current programs: sampling polar bears (40 yrs), sampling seals & belugas for DFO (20 yrs), water sampling (Northern Contaminants Program), sampled beached killer whales (awaiting results); potential fisheries with World Wildlife Fund
- Working to create additional community-driven research and monitoring programs

as part of protected areas planning and implementation

Whapmagoostui

- Concerns over spotting on caribou meat; affected meat thrown away against values, is buried and potentially dangerous to scavenging animals; lake trout showing signs of similar spotting
- Share concerns of Kuujuaraapik

Chisasibi

- Damming project impacts need long-term review and cumulative impact understanding
- River ice, eelgrass bed and habitat degradation
- Animal & bird migration routes have change, shorebirds have disappeared
- Foreign species, moose and snakes, arriving
- Elders are suggesting solutions to grow food on land and fix up places where people used to hunt many years ago
- Focused on using Elder knowledge to educate youth on ice conditions and weather

Wemindji

- Quality & taste of animals is not the same; animal birth defects observed
- No longer seeing icebergs
- Community currently working on environmental initiatives: recycling center, e-waste program, incinerator

Eastmain

- Charting the depth of the bay
- Removing cattails from shoreline
- Repair docking for community use
- Cape Hope Islands: lots of sediment on the bottom, with nothing growing

Waskaganish

- Animal migration patterns are changing: moose moving north, bald eagles invading coastal

Community Priorities *continued*

areas, geese leaving due to declining eelgrass beds, fish no longer plentiful

- Charlton Island - polar bears around hunting camps/communities (don't eat polar bear meat, don't want to have to kill for safety of community members)
- Ice is very thin, dangerous for traveling, casualties experienced
- Emphasized importance of Elders' knowledge

Moose Cree First Nation

- Shorebird decline, loss of habitat, rivers drying up
- Hydro dam is infringing on treaty rights (protection against flooding)
- Industry requires community partnership to balance economy and environment

Fort Albany

- Facing extreme flooding, fast-melting snow and ice bridge damming river/ice
- Require monitoring of the water entering the river from the bay

Kashechewan

- Winter season shortening annually, affecting winter road season (resupply efforts)
- Local insect and frog populations declining with changing climate conditions

Attawapiskat

- Change in geese population dynamics, including new habitats, flights patterns, and tastes
- Mercury found in fish
- Industry/mining effects to the watershed
- Flooding is causing a change in water quality (beaver dams)

Weenusk/Peawanuck

- Contaminants at radar site; high cancer and autism rates in the community, need research

- New species due to climate change: polar bears are now more common, would like harvest limits
- Ponds are drying and permafrost is melting
- Need to be partners in environmental assessments

York Factory First Nation

- Project partner with major hydroelectric development
- Community-based monitoring program in York River; want to include the river estuaries and broader territory
- Interested in partnering with other communities and researchers
- Want to monitor changes to: harvests, weather and climate, areas with development (use alongside on-the-land observations)

Churchill

- Priorities to be determined

Arviat

- Sea ice is thinner and more dangerous resulting in human casualties
- Sea ice monitoring around the community is a priority

Whale Cove

- New species in the area (moose, martens, insects, reptiles)
- Dangerous, thinner ice, delayed winter freeze

Rankin Inlet

- Polar bear management and public safety is a priority; monitoring and managing caribou health (increase in traffic associated with industrial development impacts health of caribou and marine wildlife)
- Mining and industrial projects are near critical habitats; monitoring program a priority (Kivalliq Inuit Association KIA has a monitoring program in place for waterways)

Community Priorities *continued*

- Emergency preparedness and response plans needed
- Understand the impact of online, through social media, meat sales

Chesterfield Inlet

- Sea ice is thinner
- Fewer seals and belugas in the last 5-10 years
- Increased marine shipping

Baker Lake

- High marine vessel traffic due to mining
- Caribou needs to be monitored for food security purposes
- Foreign species, insects and birds are arriving

Coral Harbour

- Sea ice thinning affecting animals and hunter safety
- Increased vessel traffic interrupting walrus movement and habitat

Naujaat

- Ice is thinner
- New species in the area; need youth to understand these new types, how/when they should be hunted

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Poster and Networking Session

Nov 30, 5:00 pm - 5:45 pm

A number of organizations who are conducting research and monitoring in the James Bay and Hudson Bay region have submitted posters to share information about their work. These posters are on display in the Foyer, outside the main meeting room, for the duration of the Summit. A poster session will take place on Wednesday, November 30 from 5:00-5:45 pm; this is an opportunity for you to speak with the representatives in attendance to learn more about their organizations and projects.



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Entertainment & Gala Banquet

Dec 1, 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

We are excited to announce that the Gala Banquet will include a sit down dinner with performances by: **Arnaquluit Singers, Siibii, and Beatrice Deer!**



Tamara and Janice have been throat singing together since the Spring of 2016. The duo began singing at local Ottawa-area venues and have since ventured into larger provincial performances. The meaning of “arnakuluit” is very special for Janice and Tamara as both women are raising their children to be proud Inuit in their communities. Arnakuluit translates into “beautiful women” in English. They performed at the 2018 Hudson Bay Summit and are coming back to share their gift with Summit attendees once again!



Siibii is a Montreal based queer, non-binary, Indigenous artist originally from the Cree community of Mistissini, Quebec. Their six-track EP's debut single Love Is Up The River garnered more than 20,000+ streams on Spotify and hit Top 10 on the NCI FM Indigenous Music Countdown. Their next single “Wish We Were Older” was #1 on the Indigenous Music Countdown and was featured on CBC North & APTN National News.



Acclaimed “Inuindie” pop star **Beatrice Deer** is a singer-songwriter based in Montreal. Half Inuk and half Mohawk, Beatrice was born and raised in Nunavik, Quebec, in the small village of Quaqtuaq. She has released six studio albums, including her newest, titled SHIFTING. Her award-winning songs are crafted upon deeply personal lyrics and blend indie rock and modern folk with traditional Inuit stories and throat singing.