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WEAVING A GATHERING PLACE

Weaving a Gathering Place aims to nurture a space for intergenerational learning and sharing through weaving as a means of connecting girls and women across cultures. It promises to uphold gender equality, with the goal that all women and children can live and thrive in a safe and equal society, have equal access to resources and opportunities, and be treated with dignity, respect and fairness. We will accomplish this by creating a place where weaving brings women and girls together to learn, share and connect, supporting them to thrive and succeed. We seek to create intergenerational encounters through creative practices, sharing knowledge and mentoring circles.

What can you expect?

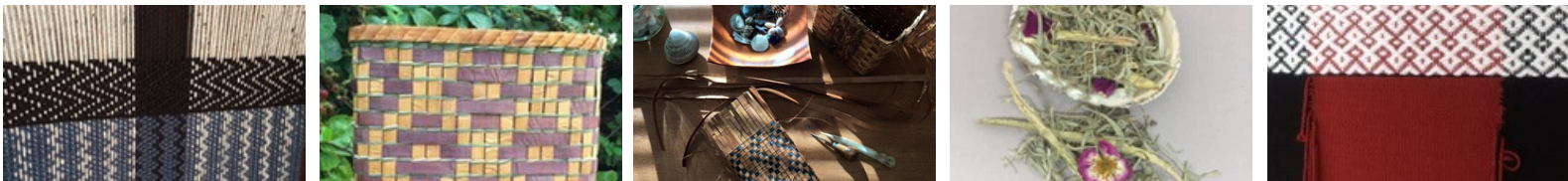
The program combines hand-on studio instruction led by artists with life-skills components **led by local women leaders** who will share their stories of success, challenges and opportunities.

You will meet twice a week – an evening and a day – and these **gatherings** will include in-studio activities as well as visits to forests, artist studios, museum collections and galleries.

Is this opportunity for you?

This is an opportunity open to women and girls living on the Sunshine Coast who are interested in learning tangible **skills (weaving) and life skills (empowerment training)** while being part of an intergenerational environment where you learn within the spirit of sharing and healing.

We are able to provide support for child-care, and transportation and food will be provided during all gatherings. If you are successful in joining the program, we will work with you to determine what you may need. All program materials and supplies are provided, and there is no cost for participating in the program.



Program Dates

Responding to COVID-19, the program will accept five participants in three stages. Please note the deadlines below:

June 2021 - June 2022 (Deadline to Apply: April 15, 2021)
Cohort One: Indigenous Women, Ages 18+, living on the Sunshine Coast

September 2021 - June 2022 (Deadline to Apply: July 15, 2021)
Cohort Two: Indigenous Girls, Ages 10-17, living on the Sunshine Coast

January 2022 - June 2022 (Deadline to Apply: November 15, 2021)
Cohort Three: Women, Ages 18+ living on the Sunshine Coast

How do you get involved?

Please fill out the application on the back page of this handout. If you have any questions or need help, please send an email to:

gathering@sunshinecoastartscouncil.com

or call

604-885-5412

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Application Form

Please fill out the application below.

Email it to gathering@sunshinecoastartscouncil.com, or drop a copy off at the Arts Centre at Trail and Medusa in Sechelt.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

I am currently a resident on the Sunshine Coast (check-box)

Tell us your story and who you are.

Why is it important for you to be part of this program?

What do you hope to receive through this opportunity?