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Acclaimed writer Richard Wagamese is coming to MacEwan University

MacEwan University Book of the Year celebrates Wagamese’s Indian Horse

Edmonton—On March 17, celebrated First Nations writer Richard Wagamese will be appearing at MacEwan University to read from Indian Horse, this year’s MacEwan University Book of the Year, as well as his new novel, Medicine Walk. The evening event will also include an on-stage conversation between Wagamese and another prominent First Nations writer, Richard Van Camp, the university’s current writer in residence. A book signing will follow.

A finalist for CBC’s Canada Reads in 2013 and the winner of the Canada Reads People’s Choice Award, Indian Horse is currently on the long list for the 2014 International IMPAC Dublin Literary Award. Richard Wagamese is one of Canada’s most important Aboriginal writers and he recently won the inaugural Burt Award for First Nations, Métis and Inuit Literature.

Now in its 17th year, the MacEwan University Book of the Year program celebrates an outstanding work of Canadian fiction published within the last five years. Past recipients of this honour include Yann Martel, Margaret Atwood and Michael Ondaatje.

A high profile event in the Edmonton area, the MacEwan University Book of the Year is also gaining national attention as the only program of its kind in Canada.

When: Monday, March 17
Time: 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
Where: City Centre Campus, Building 8, Gymnasium, 10700-104 Avenue

Contact: Dr. Paul Martin, faculty development coordinator and chair, MacEwan University Book of the Year Committee, 780-633-3325, paul.martin@macewan.ca.

For more information, visit MacEwan.ca/MacEwanBook or on Twitter @MacEwanBook.

Tickets are available through TIX on the Square.

Founded in 1971, MacEwan University inspires its students with a powerful combination of academic excellence and personal learning experiences. Offering more than 65 programs including undergraduate degrees, applied degrees, diplomas, certificates, continuing education and corporate training, the university provides a transformative education in a creative, collaborative and supportive learning environment where creativity and innovation thrive. Located in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, MacEwan University offers a unique student experience that opens up diverse pathways for achievement and growth.

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