

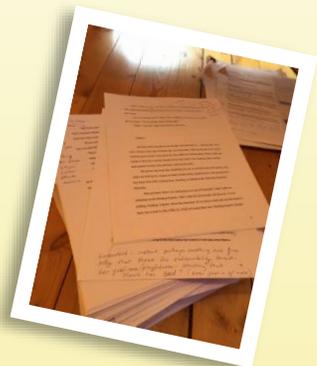
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*Exploring our shared history,
honouring diversity,
building community*

Artist/Writer-in-Residence Newsletter

Coming together

April is turning out to be a busy month – in a good way. We had our last workshop in the “Reconciliation Through Art” Series in March, and participants felt it was important to continue the dialogue we started. We are exploring ideas of collaborative art-making, from community murals to quilts, as well as an anthology in recognition of community members that are strong leaders or simply show an act of kindness. I met with my cultural advisors, Anne Cook and Nancy Lafleur. The importance of being on the land for our well-being once again became clear and we’re looking into creating new partnerships and planning a retreat out on the land. For now, we’re meeting bi-weekly on Thursdays to create together and share our thoughts.



What do I do when I’m not working with the community? Revising, revising, revising my latest YA novel.



Participants of the Nature Walk



For Writers and Storytellers

On Saturday, April 7, a group of eleven women and four dogs set out to spend a day on the land, reflecting on how the land is healing and comforting our hearts. Inspired by Eleanor Hegland’s storytelling and teachings, participants shared their poems and stories about their connections to the land. Of course, a northern outing wouldn’t be a northern outing without a fire, bannock and tea!

Save the Date!

Reconciliation
Through
Art/Open Arts
Studio

Bi-weekly
Thursdays
6:30 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Stories from the
Land

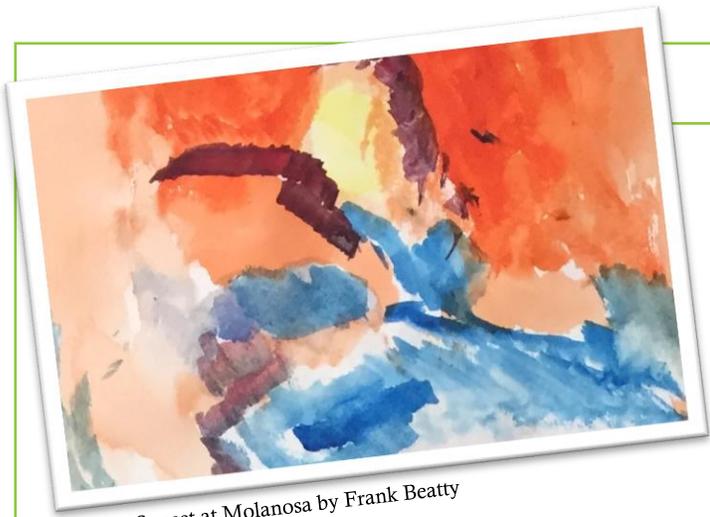
Wednesday April 25,
6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Writing Workshop

One-on-one
Mentorship

By appointment

Need help with your
writing or arts
projects? Contact me!



Sunset at Molanosa by Frank Beatty



For Visual Artists

Long Term Care

I enjoy getting to know the residents at Long Term Care better and better, and see their own unique style develop in their artwork. Storytelling is a big part of creating art at Long Term Care and we share stories, childhood memories and laughter.



Small detail of participants' collaborative artwork created in "The Power of Imagination" workshop.

Reconciliation Through Art

I'm not sure how to express my feelings of gratitude, humbleness and hope that this workshop series has created in me. I'm thankful for the artists that shared their art-making process and teachings with us, and I'm thankful for the participants that came together wanting to make a positive change in their lives and for our community. We're growing together and at the same time our circle is expanding, welcoming new participants and making new connections.

Exhibits at Mistasinihk Place

My illustrations for "When the Trees Crackle with Cold: p̄simwasinahikan" are currently touring the province with OSAC. Last month they were at Mistasinihk Place and I enjoyed being the gallery guide for school classes, and creating art works with the children. This month showcases "Creations" – a group show organized by the La Ronge Arts Council. It's amazing how much talent there is in this community.

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