



## Northern Aboriginal Seminar on Quebec's social, cultural and environmental issues

2<sup>nd</sup> edition

*In collaboration with the Corporation des Amis du Mushuau-nipi*

### *Why you should attend*

Environment issues and good understanding between Aboriginal Nations and non-Aboriginal are among the big modern day Quebec challenges. The environmental solution, in view of its complexity, can only stem from the cooperation between nations.

The northern seminar offers a unique opportunity to reflect upon these issues in an outstanding environment far from the mill contexts. The territory of the George River is the host of the biggest caribou herd in the world, offers exceptional panoramas and guaranteed healing. Quebec scenery will take your breath away.

It is also an opportunity to absorb the ancestral way of life of Quebec Aboriginal in a spirit of reconciliation. Over fifty archaeological sites, witnesses of several centuries of Aboriginal presence, have been itemized in the sites of the event. It was a very animated place, a place to share, exchange and meditate. Nos séminaires sont la continuité de cette vocation originelle.

We offer several lectures, films, debates and reflection workshops, which will be led by Hélène Raymond under the big Shaputuan (community tent) or outdoors. The event will be co-chaired by Ghislain Picard (Regional Chief of the Assembly of First Nations of Quebec and Labrador and Steven Guilbeault (Director of Greenpeace Quebec). Florent Vollant will be our special guest.

### *A few of the topics we will tackle*

- Political and legal situation of the Innu of Matimekush Lac-John, **Rodrigue Mckenzie**.
- Collaboration between Aboriginal and Norpaq: experiences and concrete examples, evolution of the northern outfitting operation, **Pierre Paquet**.
- The impact of climate change on Inuit and Aboriginal populations of Northern Quebec, **Steven Guilbeault**, Greenpeace.
- Life story of an Innu woman from her birth in the Nutshimit (inland) to her life as a nurse, **Elizabeth Ashini**, Innu woman.

### *Who should attend the seminar*

- Lawyers specialized in the environment, land-use management and Aboriginal rights
- Business leaders and entrepreneurs who deal with the management of natural resources associated with Aboriginal negotiations
- Federal, provincial and municipal environment representatives associated with Aboriginal nations
- Environment and Aboriginal rights consultant
- All other stakeholders working in the realm of the of the environment or consultation with Aboriginal nations
- Quebec and Aboriginal political representatives
- Professors specialized in Aboriginal and environmental issues.
- And obviously all nature lovers.

**From August 15 to 22, 2006**

**Cost**

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**2 750\$ plus tax (train from Sept-Îles)  
3 650\$ plus tax (by plane from Montreal  
or Quebec)**