

2026 NOVA SCOTIA INDIGENOUS TOURISM AGM / TRADESHOW & CONFERENCE

Destination Mi'kma'ki

March 30-31, 2026
Delta Dartmouth Hotel

NSITEN Members FREE
Associate Members
\$100.00

Full Registration: \$200.00
Register online at:
www.NSITEN.com

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NSITEN AGM/AGA

Each year our membership come together to hear about our yearly reports and decide on their new leadership. Last year NSITEN went with a new system of leadership based on each Mi'kmaq Traditional District voting on their leadership. NSITEN Full Members Only.



Conference & Trade Show

We have lots to share in our 2026 NSITEN Tourism Conference with our new keynote speakers, workshop presenters and key partner updates & projects! The Trade Show Event will showcase our top NSITEN vendors! Be sure to register online on our website!



Indigenous Tourism Awards

NSITEN will once again accept nominations to recognize and award our Seven (7) Indigenous Tourism Awards (see our website for more details, categories and deadlines!)
Awards link: www.NSITEN.com/Awards

DELTA DARTMOUTH HOTEL: (902) 468-8888.
ASK FOR NSITEN RATE OF \$153.00 PLUS TAX

NSITEN CONFERENCE AGENDA
DELTA DARTMOUTH CONFERENCE CTR.
240 BROWNLOW AVE, DARTMOUTH, N.S.

MONDAY, MARCH 30TH, 2026

Doors open at 12:00pm for AGA/AGM

1:00PM-4:00pm

NSITEN AGM/AGA - All full voting members of NSITEN members are asked to attend.

5:00PM - 9:00pm

TRADESHOW EVENT OPENS

6:00pm - 9:00pm

NSITEN Awards Dinner & Banquet

Mi'kmaq Music & Cultural Showcase
(Registration begins at 5:30pm)

TUESDAY, MARCH 31ST, 2026

TOURISM CONFERENCE DAY

8:45am-9:00am

Opening Prayers & Welcome

9:00am - 12:30pm

Conference Keynotes & Workshops

12:30pm - 1:30pm

Lunch for all Registered Participants

1:30pm - 4:00pm

Tourism Workshops & Door Prizes

Closing Comments & Prayers

Note: NSITEN Trade Show Area will be open all day with breaks to support our vendors!

Special hotel rates are available at the Delta Dartmouth Hotel for registered participants.

CONTACT US
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REGISTRATION DEADLINE
Friday, March 27th, 2026

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2026 NSITEN Annual General Meeting NSITEN MEMBERS ONLY

**ALL NSITEN MEMBERS ATTENDING THE
TOURISM CONFERENCE ARE URGED TO ATTEND**

Monday, March 30th



- 12:00pm
- Registration & Lunch
 - Traditional Opening
 - Introduction of Executive
 - Review of Agenda
 - NSITEN Annual Report
 - NSITEN Financial Report
 - NSITEN Election of New Board of Directors
 - Proposed By-Law Changes
 - Review of NSITEN Tourism Conference Agenda
- 4:00pm
- Closing Comments



- 4:30pm * TRADESHOW OPENS *
- 5:30pm * DINNER REGISTRATION *



- 6:00pm * BANQUET DINNER *
- 7:00pm * AWARDS SHOW *

2026 NSITEN TOURISM CONFERENCE & AWARDS SHOW

- 5:30pm Reception / Networking
- 6:00pm Opening Welcome
Host: Robert Bernard
Traditional Prayer (Elder)
Food Served / Music Begins
- 6:30pm Awards Show Overview
Lifetime Achievement Awards
Honour Song
- Lifetime Achievement Award #1**
Awarded to Gould Family (We'koqma'q)
- Lifetime Achievement Award #2**
Awarded to Joey Gould (We'koqma'q)
- Lifetime Achievement Award #3**
Awarded to Morning Star (Eskasoni)
- Lifetime Achievement Award #4**
Awarded to Hubert Francis (Elsipogtog)
- 7:00pm Music Entertainment
Alan Syliboy & ThunderMakers
- 7:30pm NSITEN Tourism Awards (Pt.1)
- 8:00pm Special Musical Performance
Cherise Basque & Tevin Nicholas
- 8:30pm NSITEN Tourism Awards (Pt.2)
- 9:00pm Closing Ceremonies

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2026 Nova Scotia Indigenous Tourism Conference DELTA DARTMOUTH HOTEL MARCH 30-31, 2026

Tuesday, March 31st, 2026 (Morning)

-  8:30am Registration
- 8:45am Traditional Opening (Elder)
- 9:00am Keynote Speaker
Kevin Eshkawkogan, President
CEO/Indigenous Tourism Ontario
- 9:45am State of Mi'kma'w Tourism
Robert Bernard, NSITEN
- 10:15am Mi'kmawey Debert Project
Mercedes Peters / Sharing Stories
-  11:00am 15 Minute Break - Transition
- 11:15am Workshops Breakouts
- Room #1: "Reconcili-ACTION & Tourism"
Robert Bernard, NSITEN
- Room #2: "KINU Tourism Project" (MSVU)
Kelsie Johnston/Jordynn Bernard
- Room #3: "Successful Digital Marketing"
Two Bridges Digital Marketing
- Room #4: "Achieving Market Readiness"
Skye Glen Consulting
- 12:30pm Lunch (Trade Show Hall Way)
Visit our Trade Show Vendors
Door Prizes at Trade Show Room
(Must be present to win!)

Afternoon Schedule

- 1:30pm Welcome Back!! 4 Door Prizes!!
- 1:45pm Workshop Breakouts (2:00pm)
- Room #1: "Wapnaki Music Association"
Atlantic Indigenous Musician Panel
- Room #2: "Jajikte'k SeaWall Hiking Trail"
Building Mi'kma'w Guiding Experiences
Robert Bernard & Meril Rasmussen
- Room #3: "Successful Digital Marketing"
Two Bridges Digital Marketing
- Room #4: "Achieving Market Readiness"
Skye Glen Consulting
- 3:30PM TRANSITION TO MAIN ROOM
- 3:45pm Door Prizes (4)
- 4:00pm Closing Comments
* Closing Ceremonies *

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