

Mamalilikulla First Nation Mission Statement: Working together to build a strong, proud, healthy, informed, and respectful Mamalilikulla community to meet the needs of our people together

MAMALILIKULLA FIRST NATION

In order to create a strong, self-sufficient and independent Mamalilikulla Nation, we seek opportunities to bring our community together and build capacity amongst members through joint interest of our land, language, and culture



IN THIS MONTHS ISSUE

Election Polling Notice

List of Candidates

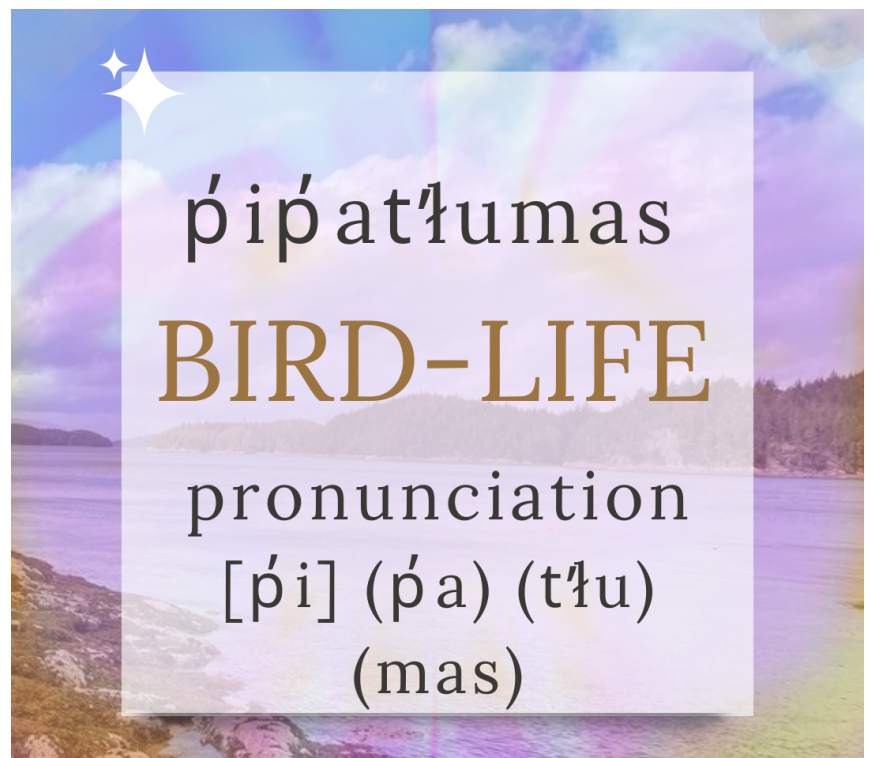
International Marine Protected
Areas Congress (IMPAC5)

Spring Equinox 2023

International Woman's Day

Spring Cleaning

KDC Job Posting



Mamalilikulla First Nation Election 2023
Election Polling Notice

Notice is hereby given to the electors of the Mamalilikulla First Nation that an election will be held to elect one Chief and four Councillors.

The polling station will be open on

**Saturday April 22, 2023
from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at:**

**MFN Administration office located at 168-1436 Island Highway,
Campbell River, BC V9W 8C9.**

The votes will be counted at this location at 8:00 p.m.
on the 22 day of April 2023.

The results will be declared immediately following the count.

The voter list is posted at the MFN Administration office for public viewing.

Given under my hand at Campbell River, this 12th day of March 2023.



Jillene West
Electoral Officer
250-203-0190

Jillene.West@outlook.com

PO Box 22012 Dogwood PO, Campbell River, BC V9W 8G7

MAMALILIKULLA FIRST NATION

List of Candidates for the April 22, 2023 Election

For Chief

John Powell

Edna Puglas

Hunter Gala'dzi Sewid

For Councillor

Bert Boucher

Mae Vanessa Flanders

Gilbert James

Eric Malley

Pamela Mountain

Winnie Mountain

Brad Puglas

Sherry Sewid

“

The world must take immediate action to protect our ocean and marine ecosystems. During the Leadership Forum, I met with partners from around the world and made it clear that we must be all-in if we are to reach our shared conservation targets, reverse ocean biodiversity loss, and restore the ocean's function as a carbon sink. I was encouraged by the support from all involved and look forward to the Government of Canada's continued leadership in protecting our oceans.

”

The Honourable Joyce Murray,
Minister of Fisheries, Oceans
and the Canadian Coast Guard



International Marine Protected Areas Congress (IMPAC5)

I am pleased to share with you the announcement made at the Fifth International Marine Protected Areas Congress (IMPAC5) in Vancouver, British Columbia. The Mamalilikulla First Nation, in partnership with the Government of Canada and the Province of British Columbia, announced the establishment of the Gwaxdlala/Nalaxdlala Indigenous Protected and Conserved Area (IPCA) as a marine refuge.

This important area, also known as Lull Bay and Hoeya Sound, covers a 10,416-hectare area, including the Hoeya Sill, an ecosystem of high biodiversity containing shallow sponges, corals and rare and endangered species. The watershed area covers an 8,293-hectare area containing old-growth and second-growth coniferous forests and important fish-bearing streams that provide habitat and spawning areas for chum, coho and pink salmon.

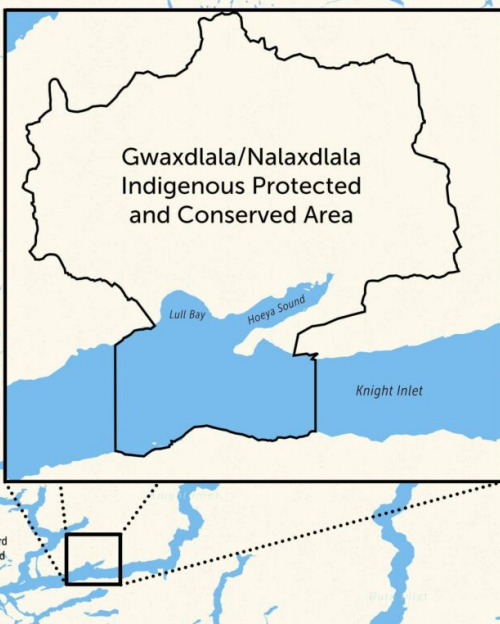
The IPCA declaration reflects the intent of the Mamalilikulla to increase the protection of cultural sites from human disturbance and desecration, as well as their plans for co-governance with Canada and BC to protect, conserve, and sustainably manage the IPCA.

The marine refuge will close all commercial, recreational and Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) fisheries within the area to prevent impacts from human activity and to ensure full protection of the marine environment. The establishment of this marine refuge is critical to protecting global biodiversity, mitigating impacts due to climate change, and advancing our goal of conserving 25 percent of Canada's oceans by 2025 and 30 percent by 2030.

We are committed to advancing reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples, supporting sustainable fisheries management, and conserving and protecting Canada's marine ecosystems for future generations.

Thank you for your continued stewardship of the lands, seas (including seabed) and sky of the IPCA.

Respectfully,
Twyla Edmonds



Spring Equinox 2023

As we approach the spring equinox of 2023, we are reminded of the renewal and growth that comes with the changing of seasons. This year, the spring equinox falls on March 20th and marks the official start of spring in the Northern Hemisphere.

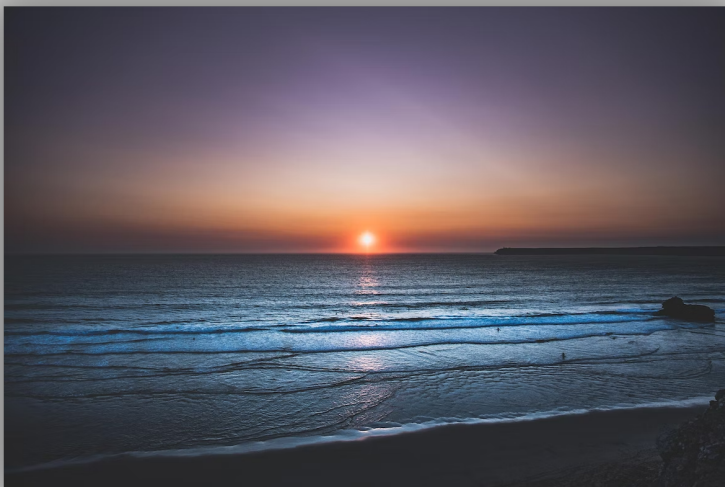
The spring equinox is a time of balance, as day and night are roughly equal in length. It is a time to honour the cycles of nature and the interconnectedness of all things. This is a special time for the Mamalilikulla First Nation, as it signifies the start of a new beginning, a time for growth and renewal of both the physical and spiritual world.

Traditionally, the spring equinox is celebrated as a time of planting, with many cultures holding rituals to bless the seeds and ensure a good harvest. It is a time to give thanks for the earth's abundance and honour the natural world's beauty and majesty. As members of the Mamalilikulla First Nation, we recognize the importance of connecting with the earth and the land, and we encourage our community to take time to honour this connection during the spring equinox.

In addition to the physical world, the spring equinox also represents a time for spiritual growth and renewal. It is a time to shed old habits and ways of thinking and welcome new perspectives and opportunities. As we move forward into this new season, we encourage our community to take time for self-reflection and to set intentions for growth and personal development.

As we celebrate the spring equinox of 2023, let us unite as a community to honour the cycles of nature and the interconnectedness of all things. Let us give thanks for the abundance of the earth and set intentions for growth and renewal in both the physical and spiritual world. We wish you all a happy and meaningful spring equinox.

Respectfully,
Twyla Edmonds



The Spring Equinox is an important time of year for many First Nations communities, as it marks the beginning of a new season and is often associated with themes of renewal and growth. Here are some ways that First Nations people may honor the Spring Equinox:

Hold a ceremony: Many First Nations communities hold ceremonies to mark the Spring Equinox, often incorporating traditional songs, dances, and prayers. These ceremonies may be led by Elders or other community leaders and may involve the sharing of traditional foods and medicines.

Planting: Spring is a time of new growth and planting, and many First Nations people may take this opportunity to plant crops, trees, or other vegetation that is important to their community.

Sharing traditional knowledge: The Spring Equinox is a time of learning and sharing traditional knowledge. First Nations people may take this opportunity to pass down knowledge about traditional medicines, ceremonies, or practices to younger generations.

Outdoor activities: Spring is a great time to get outside and enjoy nature. First Nations people may participate in traditional activities such as fishing, hunting, or gathering medicines and foods.

Giving thanks: Many First Nations people use the Spring Equinox as a time to give thanks for the blessings of the past year and to ask for continued guidance and blessings in the year ahead. This may involve offering prayers or other forms of gratitude.

These are just a few ways that First Nations people may honor the Spring Equinox. It's important to remember that different communities have different traditions and practices, so it's always best to consult with local Elders or community leaders to learn more about how to honor this important time of year.



INTERNATIONAL WOMANS DAY

On this International Women's Day, we take a moment to celebrate and honor the strength and resilience of First Nations women. Traditionally, First Nations women have held important roles within families and communities as matriarchs, protectors of land and resources, traditional healers, and much more. We are fortunate to have amazing First Nations women leaders and advisors who bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise to First Nations organizations.

However, it is important to acknowledge that Indigenous women face higher rates of injustice due to colonialism. These injustices include discrimination, human rights violations, trauma, and marginalization in the form of poverty, insecure housing, and barriers to education and healthcare. It is especially disheartening that many Indigenous women in BC and around the world experience violence, with a disproportionate number of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls.

Despite these challenges, many Indigenous women are thriving and Sacred and Strong: Upholding Our Matriarchal Roles, a report by the FNHA, highlights their incredible strength and resilience. This report aims to empower First Nations women and girls as they navigate their health and wellness journeys throughout their life spans.

We must continue to work together to eliminate systemic barriers and ensure that all First Nations women and girls can be healthy and self-determining. We call on Indigenous men to protect, respect and honor Indigenous women and for all leaders to take action to keep Indigenous women safe and address systemic racism.

Let us continue to celebrate and uplift the voices of First Nations women, not just on International Women's Day, but every day.

Respectfully,
Twyla Edmonds

“

One of the things my parents taught me, and I'll always be grateful . . . is to not ever let anybody else define me; [but] for me to define myself . . .

”

Wilma Mankiller first Native American woman elected to serve as Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation

Spring cleaning can be a daunting task, but with the right mindset and approach, it can also be fun! Here are some tips for making the steps to spring cleaning more enjoyable:

Declutter: Turn decluttering into a game by setting a timer for 15 minutes and seeing how much you can declutter in that time. You can also involve your family or friends in the process and make it a competition to see who can get rid of the most items.

Deep Clean: Make cleaning more enjoyable by turning up the music and having a dance party while you clean. You can also challenge yourself to clean each room in a different way, such as cleaning while doing lunges or squats.

Organize: Get creative with organization by using fun and colorful storage bins or shelves. You can also involve your family in the process and have each person decorate their own storage space.

Tackle the Outside: Make outside cleaning more enjoyable by bringing a picnic outside and taking breaks to enjoy the sunshine. You can also involve your family or friends and turn it into a group activity.

Maintenance: Reward yourself for completing maintenance tasks by planning a fun activity, such as going for a hike or trying a new restaurant.

By incorporating these fun ideas into the steps for spring cleaning, you can turn it into a more enjoyable and rewarding experience for yourself and your family.



Spring Cleaning 2023

Spring cleaning is a great way to refresh your home and get organized for the year ahead. Here are some effective steps you can take to spring clean in 2023:

Declutter: Start by going through each room in your home and getting rid of anything you no longer need or use. Donate or sell items in good condition and dispose of anything that is no longer useful.

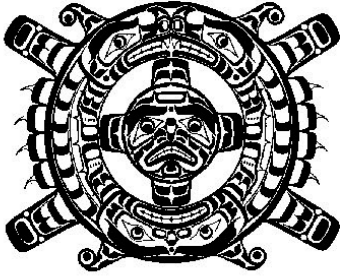
Deep Clean: Once you've decluttered, it's time to deep clean. This includes dusting, wiping down surfaces, cleaning floors, and scrubbing bathrooms and kitchens. Consider hiring a professional cleaner to help with this step.

Organize: After cleaning, organize your belongings so that everything has a designated place. This will help you stay organized throughout the year.

Tackle the Outside: Don't forget about the outside of your home. Sweep your front porch, clean your windows, and tidy up your garden.

Maintenance: Finally, take care of any maintenance tasks that need to be done, such as changing air filters or scheduling a professional inspection for your HVAC system.

By following these steps, you can effectively spring clean your home and start the year off fresh and organized. Remember to take breaks and pace yourself so that you don't become overwhelmed. Happy cleaning!



KWAKIUTL DISTRICT COUNCIL
Mail: P.O. Box 489 Campbell River, B.C. V9W 5C1
Telephone (250) 286-3263
Facsimile (250) 286-3268
Toll Free 1-866-999-3263

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Permanent Full-Time Administrator (KDC Administration & Capacity Office)

As an employee of the Kwakiutl District Council (KDC) you will be a key member of the Administration team. This role will offer the right candidate a Full Time position.

As Full-time Administrator of Kwakiutl District Council: this position will require an individual with extensive managerial and organizational experience. The primary purpose of the administrator's position is the smooth, orderly precise administration of KDC. A University education or relevant experience in First Nations administrative practice is an asset. The successful candidate requires expertise and knowledge and experience in directing and supervising employees in office administration, human and public relations, possess strong oratory written and communication skills. Robust experience in financial planning abilities to plan and carry out budgets, reports and proposals. The applicant ought also to have clear familiarity and experience in Federal and Provincial policy, programs, negotiations, systems and procedures pertinent to Aboriginal organizations and First Nation Tribal Governance. A substantial knowledge, recognition and appreciating for culture, direction, values, language and political objectives and aspirations of Kwakwaka/ Liqwala speaking peoples would be a considerable advantage.

Reports to: Chairperson/Executive Council

Supervisor Duties

- Supervises all administrative staff and where necessary other personnel as directed by KDC chair or executive council.
- Assists in recruitment, selection and hiring of new staff.
- Ensures KDC staff know and adhere to all personnel policies and procedures.
- Ensures competent, fair and efficient distribution of employee's workloads and proficiencies.
- Participates as an ex-officio member of Kwakiutl District Council Executive as directed.

Financial Duties

- Oversees District Council budgets and funding proposals.
- Ensures maintenance of program budgets and the responsible expenditure of funds following scrupulous plans.
- Ensure maintenance of KDC financial policies and regulations.
- Assists in Funding Negotiations, as directed.
- Approves financial expenditures as directed.
- Responsible for funding applications/deadlines and required reports and their timely submissions.
- Responsible to schedule regular executive board meetings and the development of agendas and support documents as necessary.

Liaison/Public Relation Duties

- Maintains applicable liaison and communications with member nations of KDC.
- Maintains appropriate liaison and communication with governmental, external, private sector and other agencies and First Nation organizations.
- Ensures maintenance of positive public relations with KDC member nations and adjacent other First Nations as well as non-First nation communities as directed.
- Participates and or directs negotiation sessions with many, various groups as directed by Chair and District Council Executive.
- Responsible to build strong relationships in support of all of KDC Personnel.

Reporting/Communications

- Monitors and responds to incoming and outgoing correspondence. Directs preparation and distribution of District Council reports and outgoing correspondence.
- Prepares internal and external correspondence and its distribution as required.
- Prepares weekly/monthly briefing reports of work accomplished in the line of administrative duties.

In circumstances where there is an equal combination of qualifications and experience, preference will be given to people of Aboriginal heritage.

Apply to: **Nick Chowdhury – Chairman**
KDC, P.O. Box 489, Campbell River, BC, V9W 5C1
nickchowdhury@kdcadmin.com

To receive a comprehensive job description, please email: nickchowdhury@kdcadmin.com
Please provide with your application with two written reference letters.

This posting will remain open until April 13, 2023. Thank you in advance, but only those applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.

Word Search

M A M A ł I K ' A K g R S D X
 T W A R E W V E Q H A U Q ł A
 M k W A k ' W A N I g J R A N
 M I D ł A _ N T ' ł A L A _ K
 D O K K F R D C K g L g K N W
 D ł ' K A R Q W W W A A ' T A
 ł g A P W _ G E I A ł _ W ł _
 A A _ D F A X Q K W L g A A K
 _ g D G ł H _ _ W I U U _ g W
 N A A W M A V S A S V k Y W A
 D _ _ A A _ N A K _ P W U A _
 ł O L _ M M R A O W L I X W M
 A X A D A U E K _ Z A A _ I ł
 Y I W I N S M P J E Z _ g N S
 U W I N A R E N T E ł J S A N

dładłana'et

kwa'kwani

gagukw

gagalał

kwayu'x

gwadin

mama'na

dłantłala

kadalawi

dłantła

gaga'o

mamatika

gwawis

kwikw

kaxalaga

kwakwamt

kwaskwas

dłandłayu

gwa'wina

ha'mu