



2020 OLTA Digital Gathering

CONFERENCE SESSIONS

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Sunday, October 18, 2020

Stewardship Field Trips

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Sign up for an opportunity to visit a nature reserve and discuss stewardship/monitoring while observing COVID-19 regulations. The nature reserves will be determined by the interest/location of the registrants.

Monday, October 19, 2020

1 Welcome / Land Acknowledgement / OLTA Member Accomplishments

9:00 am – 9:30 am

2 Indigenous Relations

9:30 am – 10:15 am

Stephanie Sobek-Swant and Mackenzie Lespérance, rare Charitable Research Reserve, Elwood Jimmy (author of “Towards Braiding”)

3 Keynote: Protected areas and connectivity are fundamental to our survival

10:45 am – 12:00 pm

Harvey Locke, Chair of the IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas Beyond the Aichi Targets Task Force

OLTA Member Accomplishments presentation that highlights the achievements of OLTA members and associates over the last year. Celebrate and learn from all the good land conservation and stewardship work in Ontario. Congratulations all around!

4 Ecological Gifts Program

1:30 pm – 2:45 pm

Laura Kucey, Ontario Coordinator, Ecological Gifts Program, Environment and Climate Change Canada

Tuesday, October 20, 2020

5 CLT S&P Best Practices

9:00 am – 10:15 am

TBD

The Canadian Land Trust (CLT) Standards and Practices are the guidelines that describe how to operate a land trust legally, ethically and in the public interest, with a sound program of land transactions and land stewardship. Come and join the conversation on how to use the Standards and Practices in practice.

6 Communication amidst the Global Distractions

10:45 am – 12:00 pm

Tanya Clark, The Couchiching Conservancy; Jane Gilbert, Nature Conservancy of Canada;

TBD

This panel will address how to get your message out during this time of global distractions.

Wednesday, October 21, 2020

7 Funding Land Conservation

9:00 am – 10:15 am

This panel will provide funding source suggestions for your organization.

8 Closing: A resilience agenda for protected lands

10:45 am – 11:45 am

Julia Baird, Brock University

We are living in an era of change and uncertainty, and 'resilience' is increasingly emphasized to successfully navigate this era. But, what does resilience mean in the context of protected lands? I will focus on answering this question using the perspective that the environment and society are strongly intertwined. In answering the question, ways in which protected lands are contributing to broader system resilience, and promising ways in which contributions could be enhanced, will be identified. Through the presentation, a resilience agenda for protected lands will be set out.

9 Wrap Up

11:45 am – 12:00 pm