

ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JULY 23-24, 2025 | NICOLA VALLEY INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY



DAY 1: WEDNESDAY JULY 23

NVIT Gymnasium

8:00 AM REGISTRATION OPENS & VENDOR SET UP

9:00 AM OPENING CEREMONIES

- Assembly Grand Entry: Posting of the Eagle Staffs and Flags
- Opening Prayer, Sylx Elder
- Welcome, ýilmixʷm kwolila Chief Dan Manuel
- Opening Remarks, ýilmixʷm ki law na Chief Clarence Louie, ONA xaʔtus

9:30 AM ANNUAL ASSEMBLY BUSINESS

ýilmixʷm ki law na Chief Clarence Louie, ONA xaʔtus

- Roll Call
- Review and Adoption of the 2025 AGA Agenda
- Adoption of 2024 AGA Meeting Minutes
- Resolution Committee, Rosalie Wilson-Yazzie

9:45 AM ONA FINANCIAL AUDIT REVIEW

ýilmixʷm kalʔlúpaq̓n Chief Keith Crow, ONA Finance Committee and BDO Auditor Sinead Scanlon

- Providing an Overview on the 2024-2025 Financial Audit Statements
- Resolution

10:15 AM BREAK

10:30 AM UPPER NICOLA BAND SPECIAL PRESENTATION

11:00 AM WELLNESS

səxʷkʷínmaʔm Allan Louis, Sylx Health Representative, FNHC/IRNE

- Sylx Health,
- ýilmixʷm sil-teekin Chief Greg Gabriel, Sylx Child and Families Representative
- Children and Families/Sylx Justice Governance

12:00 PM LUNCH

- Building a Better Future Bursary Announcements

1:00 PM NIʔSAYP KUS ALAʔX | WE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN HERE

- Presentation from the Sylx Indian Residential School Committee and Calls to Action

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1:30 PM SKC'ƏǾǾǾWIPLA? UŁ STEŁTAŁT | SYILX TITLE AND RIGHTS

ONA Legal and Policy Team

- Sylx Title and Rights Defense Updates
- CRT Updates
- CRSRI Updates
- Update on Legal Developments

4:30 PM BOOTH AND DOOR PRIZE DRAWS

4:45 PM CLOSING

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- Closing Prayer, Sylx Elder

5:00 PM DINNER HOSTED BY UPPER NICOLA BAND

NVIT Gymnasium

- Honouring the ONA co-hort of NVIT Human Services Diploma graduates

OTHER ACTIVITIES

2:00 PM

On The Land Tour

spaxǾən, Douglas Lake

- Wishing Rock: Individuals visit this location to express their desire to become skilled hunters or fishers; it serves as a place of hope where they can learn and make offerings. To participate, you will need to provide tobacco or shiny objects, like dimes or nickels.

9:30 AM -
3:30 PM

Information Booths

Upstairs Classroom, NVIT Gym

- Fill out our Booth Passports to be entered for a chance to win some amazing prizes, such as a Luxurious Two-Night Stay in an Opulent Two-Bedroom Mountain View Suite at The Cove! Booths may have individual prize draws as well.

6:30 PM

Youth Leadership Gathering: Summer Fun Night

Central Park, Merritt

- Don't miss the big event of the night - slo-pitch games, fun inflatable games, batting practice machine, music, & ice-drinks.

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DAY 2: THURSDAY JULY 24

9:00 AM OPENING DAY 2

- Opening Prayer, Syilx Elder
- Summation Day 1 *ýilmix^wm ki law na Clarence Louie, ONA xaʔtus*

9:15 AM OKANAGAN SIMILKAMEEN COLLABORATIVE LEADERSHIP TABLE (CLI)

- ýilmix^wm simo*, Chief Robert Louie, CLI Co-Chair
- Overview and Updates

9:45 AM DATA SOVEREIGNTY

- *səx^wk^winmaʔm* Suzanne Johnson, Syilx Data Governance Representative

10:15 AM ENERGY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- ýilmix^wm simo*, Chief Robert Louie, EEC Committee Chair
- Overview Update

10:30 AM SUX^wTXTEM RESPONSIBILITIES TO PROTECT THE SIW^wLK^w, TMIX^w AND TMX^wULAX^w

- səx^wk^winmaʔm* Jordan Coble, Chair of Natural Resource Committee
- Syilx Territory Overview and Highlights
 - *siw^wlk^w, tmix^w, tmx^wulax^w*

12:30 PM LUNCH

- Booth and Door Prize Draws

1:30 PM YOUTH LEADERSHIP PRESENTATION

2:00 PM OPEN FLOOR

2:45 PM RESOLUTIONS

- Rosalie Wilson-Yazzie ONA Legal & Policy Advisor
- Presentations of Resolutions

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3:00 PM CLOSING CEREMONIES

ýilmixʷm ki law na Chief Clarence Louie, ONA xaʔtus

- Announcement of 2026 Host Community
- Closing Remarks, ýilmixʷm ki law na Chief Clarence Louie, ONA xaʔtus
- Closing Prayer/Song and Retire Staffs

OTHER ACTIVITIES

2:00 PM

On The Land Tour

Stump Lake

- Coyote Rock: Learn about the captikʷł in which the Stone People were transformed into rocks by snkclip as a consequence of their lies.

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