



Anishnawbe Health Toronto

# Wisdom Weavers

## Storytelling & Traditional Teachings

Join Anishnawbe Health Toronto for a special edition to a series of storytelling presentations on enduring troubling times, surviving challenges, keeping families strong, and emerging stronger for it all. Elders and Knowledge Holders from across Turtle Island share their experiences as well as stories within their own cultures and Nations. This presentation was filmed on the Tkaronto Islands.



*"The Peacemaker's Canoe* reminds Tkarontonians that there is older history here on these lands and waters. Kayeneren:kowa or The Great Law of Peace was adopted by the Mohawk Oneida Onondaga Cayuga and Seneca Nations forming The Haudenosaunee Confederacy about 1000 years ago and our democracy continues to operate to this day in spite of many many many colonial efforts." – by Jay Havens , a citizen of Mohawk Nation from the Grand River Territory, who is two-spirit and of Haudenosaunee and Scottish Canadian ancestry. Photo is courtesy of Joanne Millard.

**Mzhaakwat n'dizhinkaaz. Migizi n'dodemun. Ktigaaning minwaa Nbisiing n'doonjibaa.**

**Bob Goulais is Anishinaabe from Nipissing First Nation. He is second degree member of the Three Fires Midewiwin Society and a committed advocate of Anishinaabe aadziwin – Indigenous ways of knowing and being. Bob is a sought-after speaker, traditional teacher, facilitator, and Master of Ceremonies, providing valuable cultural context and traditional knowledge to diverse audiences across Canada. In 2015, he founded Nbisiing Consulting Inc. that specializes in Indigenous community engagement.**

**Bob's storytelling presentation will be titled: "At the Beginning: The Fires of Creation." Bob will tell the story about the Creator, and the fires of Creation. This will include the creation of the universe, the concepts of spirit, energy, matter, Mother Earth, and the lowering of humankind. He will interweave traditional concepts, teachings, and storytelling to highlight the importance of spirit, spirituality, and our connection to Creation.**



**To view the presentation, please click on the following link:**

**<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cgHQbT8NVfc>**

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