Join Anishnawbe Health Toronto for 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 will share their experiences as well as stories within their own cultures and Nations.

"Orange Sky, For my Father", June 21, 2022 - April 2, 2023, Acrylic Paint on Photograph, on Panel, by Jeff Bierk, an employee of AHT.

Peter Wynne was born in Cochrane to Peter and Madeline Wynne. He is Swampy Cree from the Loon Clan and is registered with the Moose Cree First Nation. Identified as gifted at an early age, he began conducting ceremonies in the 1980's. He has continued since then and is a Pipe Carrier, as well as a conductor of both the Sweat Lodge, and Shake Tent ceremonies. Peter has done healing work across Canada and the USA.

He has been called upon by many individuals, communities and medical facilities to assist others with his healing gifts. Peter is one of the first to bring the traditional ceremonies back to the communities of James and Hudson Bay through his traditional education from Elders: Albert Lightning, Albert Ward, Alex Skead, Archie Cheechoo

A survivor of residential school and day school, he believes in the importance of revitalizing our culture through language, ceremonies, and traditions. He also attended the first court case for the residential school in Cochrane Ontario as the Elder with Ed Matatasabin. He has been called upon by the hospital for the Weeneebaykook Traditional Health Program in Moose Factory, to do healing work since the program’s creation. Peter shares his knowledge and teachings and leads traditional medicine walks and the preparations of medicines: salves, teas, and poultices. He has attended Canadore College, Nipissing University and First Nations Technical Institute with Ryerson University to expand his knowledge through academic learning. Today, Peter lives in Etobicoke, and is working as a Traditional Healer with Anishnawbe Health Toronto.

In Peter's storytelling presentation, he tells us about his journey to becoming a healer and how he has embraced his gifts. He shares some of the stories that help inform the way traditional teachings and healing have been passed down from the Elders. Peter shares wisdom on how these teachings are helping pave the path forward for the next generations.

To view the video, please click on the following link:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2oYNc2MYCcY

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