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STORYTELLING THROUGH POW-WOW DANCING:
RED DEER ABORIGINAL DANCE TROUPE & RED DEER PUBLIC
LIBRARY CELEBRATE NATIONAL ABORIGINAL DAY



Date: Saturday, June 19
 Time: 12:00 noon; 1:00 p.m.
 Venue: RED DEER PUBLIC LIBRARY
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The Red Deer Aboriginal Dance Troupe and Red Deer Public Library are proud to honour National Aboriginal Day with a vibrant celebration of storytelling through dance and song.

Join us Saturday, June 19 at Red Deer Public Library, as Aboriginal dancers in glorious regalia wind through the library to the Readers' Services area on level two, where they will perform examples of various traditional dances seen at Aboriginal Pow-wows. A narrator will guide us through dances such as the Men's Grass Dance, Women's Jingle Dress, Women's Fancy, Women's Traditional, and a Men's Fancy Dancer. Performances at 12:00 noon, and again at 1:00 p.m.

Red Deer Public Library is pleased to celebrate the Aboriginal component of our heritage as part of our 90th anniversary festivities, and to honour the continuing cultural contribution of Aboriginal artists as a lead-up to Alberta's Centennial celebrations in 2005.

National Aboriginal Day is June 21, the day of the Summer Solstice.

For more information, contact:

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