

BCTELA

BC TEACHERS OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

OCTOBER 23-24, 2025
CONFERENCE

GATHER AROUND!
STORY AS RESISTANCE,
STORY AS HOPE!

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LUNCH
PROVIDED!!!

Location

Thomas Haney
Sec. School,

23000 116 Ave,
Maple Ridge, B.C

KEYNOTE:

BILLY-RAY BELCOURT

“A writer and academic from the Driftpile Cree Nation. He is an Associate Professor in the School of Creative Writing at the University of British Columbia. He is the author of five books: This Wound is a World, NDN Coping Mechanisms: Notes from the Field, A History of My Brief Body, A Minor Chorus, and Coexistence.”

<https://billy-raybelcourt.com/>



image from
<https://thewalrus.ca/autofiction/>

Gather Around! Story As Resistance, Story As Hope!

BCTELA’s annual conference brings together passionate educators who are committed to teaching practices that respect, engage and include all learners.

Join K-12 educators to explore topics that connect to identity, story, assessment, diversity, First Peoples, and the variety of exciting opportunities that are possible in ELA.

EVENTS AND INFO

Thomas Haney
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Thursday, Oct. 23:

It's showtime with a twist!

Join us for a performance and a lively Q & A session featuring:

Jaylene Tyme, the fabulous Indigenous Two-Spirit Trans Human from Canada's Drag Race Season 5!

Bring a friend!

Check out her world at linktr.ee/Jaylenetyme

ACT Arts Center
11944 Haney Pl,
Maple Ridge, BC

Friday Oct. 24

- Conference Keynote & Sessions
- 2:45 Annual General Meeting where we love to meet members and invite you to become more involved!!

Friday Oct. 24th

Keynote: 9:00
Billy-Ray Belcourt
break 10:30-10:45

AM Breakout Sessions 10:45-12:00
Lunch

PM Breakout Sessions 1:00-2:30
BCTELA AGM (with prizes!!) 2:45

Fees

BCTF Member \$150

Non BCTF Member \$175

TTOC/Retired BCTF \$100

Teacher Candidate \$35

Conf. Presenter \$35

*****Conference fee includes a \$35 membership to BC Teachers of English Language Arts (BCTELA) Provincial Specialist Association (PSA)