

Date: Wed, January 14, 2026 & Thursday, January 15, 2026
Location: Acadia University, 15 University Ave., Wolfville, NS B4P 2R6
Room: Fountain Commons

Growing Together: Mi'kmaq Knowledge, Agriculture, and Resilient Food Futures

Facilitators: Dr. Gabrielle Donnelly & Tim Merry, Systems Change Strategists, [The Outside](#)

Day One - Wed, January 14th	Day Two - Thurs, January 15th
9:00 am - 4:00 pm	9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Welcome, Framing, Prayer + Introductions	Welcome, Framing, + Prayer
Check-In: Our personal questions and ambitions	Check-In: Reconnecting to the themes, questions, and learnings from Day One.
BREAK	Keynote with Tuma Young
Panel Dialogue: The panelists will investigate the “how” of working together across Indigenous, industry and academic perspectives and approaches.	BREAK
Plenary Conversations + Panel Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none">Where have you seen positive momentum and change in recent years?What holds us back from moving forward?What courageous questions and bold actions might unlock the potential of collaboration among us?	Participant-Driven Breakouts: Building Our Agenda - What conversations now would build momentum among us for meaningful and impactful food futures?
LUNCH	LUNCH



THE OUTSIDE

<p>Seeing A Bigger Picture Together:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What can I see and understand from my unique vantage point on agriculture in Mi'kma'ki? • What do we need to bring along and what do we need to leave behind as we move forward as a food system? • What do we dream our food system could become (in the next 5 years)? 	<p>Participant-Driven Breakouts: 2 x concurrent breakout sessions of 45-60 minutes.</p>
BREAK	BREAK
Check-Out: Personal and collective learnings from the day.	Check-Out: Personal learnings and commitments moving forward.
Next Steps	Closing Prayer
Close	Next Steps + Close



THE OUTSIDE