

2026 Canadian New Thought Conference

Resilience in Times of Uncertainty

Conference Schedule: (See Presenter Bios)

Friday September 18th

1:00pm – 4:00pm Conference Registration (includes contemplative walk activity) *Lobby*

7:00pm – 9:00pm Friday Evening Plenary (doors open at 6:30pm) *Shaw Auditorium*

- Speaker – Patricia Campbell
- Music and Message – Amy Bishop
- Keynote Presentation – Tod Maffin

Saturday September 19th

9:00am – 10:30am Saturday Morning Plenary (doors open at 8:30am) *Shaw Auditorium*

- Sound Bowls - Thomas DeSchutter
- Speaker - Patricia Zogar
- Music and Message - Amy Bishop

10:30am – 11:00am Coffee Break (provided) *Lobby and Nanaimo River Room*

11:00am – 12:00pm Keynote Presenter *Shaw Auditorium*

- Monique Gray Smith

12:00pm – 1:30pm Hot Buffet Lunch (provided) *Lobby and Nanaimo River Room*

- Book signing with Monique Gray Smith during lunch

1:30pm – 3:00pm Saturday Afternoon Plenary *Shaw Auditorium*

- Sound Bowls with Thomas DeSchutter
- Panel Discussion – Derek Hinchliffe (Moderator)
- Panelists: Cheryl Fraser, Harold Rosen, Monique Gray Smith, Thomas DeSchutter

3:00pm – 3:30pm Coffee Break (provided) *Lobby and Nanaimo River Room*

3:30pm – 5:00pm Breakout Sessions *Lobby, Nanaimo River Room, Shaw Auditorium*

- Restorative Movement – Meg Fyfe (*Lobby*)
- Forest Bathing – Mackenzie Sillem (*Balcony*)
- Breathwork – Lesia Kohut (*Shaw Auditorium*)
- Reflection Room – Derek Hinchliffe (*Nanaimo River Room*)

Additional Saturday Dinner and Concert (Tickets purchased in advance separately)

6:30pm – 7:45pm Plated Dinner *Nanaimo River Room*

7:45pm – 9:45pm Coffee house style concert – Amy Bishop *Nanaimo River Room*

Sunday September 19th

9:00am – 10:30am Sunday Morning Plenary (doors open at 8:30am) *Shaw Auditorium*

- Music Experience – Matthew Kocel
- Speaker – Karin Willmer

10:30am – 11:00am Coffee Break (provided) *Lobby and Nanaimo River Room*

11:00am – 12:00pm Closing Plenary *Shaw Auditorium*

- Speaker – Amanda Pope
- Music and Message - Amy Bishop
- Final Blessing for the World – Derek Hinchliffe, Thomas DeSchutter, Lesia Kohut, Tamara Rossander