

The Centre for World Indigenous Knowledge and Research
at Athabasca University

Would like to invite you to join us for the viewing of:

Jaedaaq To Return: The John Walkus Story

A Film by the National Film Board
Running Time: 45 minutes

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Date: July 20, 2007
Time: 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Place: Room 1112—Media Room
Athabasca University
Edmonton Learning Centre
Peace Hills Trust Tower
11th Floor
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Young Kwakwaka'wakw artist John Walkus Green journeys home to the village he was forcefully removed from as a child. This film documents John's return and also investigates the BC government's adoption policies, which had tragic consequences. It is often difficult for adoptees to come home after losing family ties, heritage and language. Torn between two cultures, they are often discriminated against by both.

John Walkus was raised in Tsulquate, near Port Hardy. As a young child he was "adopted out" to a non-Native family. Even though his adoptive family tried to give him the love he needed, the experience left emotional scars. John passed through years of delinquency before returning to the home of his ancestors. Initially, he was rejected for being "white", but John refused to give up his vision to be accepted by his own people. His story becomes a remarkable journey, as he "carves" his way home.

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This is part of our Bannock & a Movie series.
Admission is free.

Please come early. If you have a large group, please notify us as **seating is limited**.

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