Bridging Traditional Knowledge and Western Science

The 8th Biennial Patrick Colgan Memorial Lecture 7 PM EDT Thursday 18 March 2021 via Zoom Webinar





Dr. Nicholas J. Reo



Preregister by 9 AM EDT Wednesday 17 March 2021 at:

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Royal Botanical Gardens is pleased to present the 8th Patrick Colgan Memorial Lecture at 7 PM on Thursday 18 March. Three eminent botanists from different Indigenous communities will come together to share their experiences and ideas about these different ways of knowing the world and interacting and relating with plants, nature, and life:

- Dr. Wendy Makoons Geniusz, University of Wisconsin Eau Claire: Anishinaabe language teacher, botanist, and author of "Our Knowledge is Not Primitive: Decolonizing Botanical Anishinaabe Teachings"
- Dr. Katie Kamelamela, Akaka Foundation for Tropical Forests, Hawai'i, who is working to restore ecosystem function in forests that support human nutritional needs
- Dr. Nicholas Reo, Dartmouth College, New Hampshire: Botanist and ecologist bringing restoration ecology, land stewardship, and community practices together with both western science and Traditional knowledge frameworks

Our panel will be supported by Dr. Faisal Moola, University of Guelph, whose work is fostering protected lands and traditional areas management by Indigenous peoples around the world, The evening will be an informal round-table discussion among the panelists. Audience questions will be taken via the Chat.

About Patrick Colgan

Dr. Patrick W. Colgan (1944-2004) was Royal Botanical Garden's Director of Research and Natural Lands, 2000 to 2004. Patrick was for many years a professor at Queen's University at Kingston and then Director of Research at the Canadian Museum of Nature before coming to RBG. Following Patrick's death due to ALS in 2004 his family and friends created a memorial fund at RBG for an on-going series of free public lectures on science in the public interest.

Royal Botanical Gardens acknowledges the long history of First Nations and Métis People in the Province of Ontario, and pays respects to the Six Nations of the Grand River Territory and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, the holder of the Treaty with the Crown for these lands. The land we steward is within the traditional territories of the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, and Huron-Wendat nations.

