

# Fall 2022

"Ts'zil Learning Center is our facility to explore in education, training and cultural experiences"

## <u>CAPU</u>

#### Fall Semester:

Classes in session; Biology, Math, English, Computers, University Success Strategies, Contemporary Mathematics, Lil'wat People and Language I, Cultural Sessions Mon-Fri, 9:00am-4:00pm

**Spring Semester:** Deadline to apply Jan 15, 2023



## Lil'wat Cultural Centre Hours:

Winter hours for all your Christmas shopping needs have started 9:00am-5:00pm, Mon-Sat

# Ts'zil will be closed

- <u>Nov 11<sup>th</sup> for statutory holiday</u>
  <u>Remembrance Day</u>
- <u>Nov 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> due to all staff</u> <u>attending workshop</u>

## L.E.A.T Up and Coming <u>Programs</u>

**ECE:** Nov 7-May 2023

**Safety Training:** Nov 14-18

**Culinary Career Training:** Nov 14-Dec 9

**Community Mental Health Training:** Nov 14-Jan

**Carpentry 2 Located At BCIT Campus:** Feb 21-Apr 7, 2023

Any questions or concerns regarding any of the above courses please call Ts'zil (604-894-2300) and ask to speak with anyone available in the LEAT department.

#### PLEASE NOTE

Room bookings are limited as our now take majority of the classroom Summer Leo for verifications. We want to stress if vou are booking with Ts'zil for song and prayer to do so, but please check with center with learners in each classroom.

Summer.Leo@lilwat.ca

# Ts'zil Staff 2022



#### mahyeqs – shared name with my mom and her name sake Matilda Jim "mahyeqs" Nadine Pascal

Director of Ts'zil Language & Culture

I assist the 4 managers in Ts'zil

- LEAT our Trades Training program
- Lil'wat Culture Center
- Operations Manager
- Advance Education

I also work collaboratively with Capilano University with courses/programs being offered here at Ts'zil and also work with Northern Outreach Program with School District #48. I'm also on the LEA committee and overseeing the process with the agreement. The 4 managers at Ts'zil have their own staff and in total we have 17 Lil'wat staff working at Ts'zil. We will be hosting more cultural activities for the nation and assisting with the new University One program and the new land based learning component. I work with the other Lil'wat Nation Directors and ensuring that our departments are fiscally responsible and accountable for our annual budgets. I'm hoping to create more cultural programs based on our nations strategic plan. I also want to assist in developing our Community Education Plan and take inventory of our education, professions, trades/training, and create some sort of plan moving forward.

I am a proud mom of 2 children and 1 grandchild. Sammy Pascal lives in Edmonton and is working hard at amazing culinary cuisines for her camp job, her son Timothy is in Kindergarten this year. Dmitriy is grade 12 this year and graduates next year. He has Post Secondary plans and I couldn't be more proud of his dreams. Fun Fact: I love travelling abroad but haven't done so in a long while and cannot wait to get back out and see the world.



#### Summer E. Leo

#### Administration Assistant

I am brand new to this role that provides administrative assistance to all the Ts'zil Management and I oversee all TLC room bookings, I can't wait to grow some roots here along side the staff and students. I am a mother of two, my son Lane is 9 and crazy about hockey (so am I), and my daughter Jemma is rambunctious 3 and lives her life fearlessly and reminds me to do so at times too. I love country music. I love to workout at home. And I love downtime with my friends and family.

Fun Fact: I recently travelled out of the country for the first time ever this year and since then have travelled to Mexico, California, and Hawaii. And I have no plans to stop anytime soon, it really is addicting.



### Justine Rose Pascal

Reception

I answer and forward phone calls, check the mail, greet and direct visitors.

I'm 37 and mother of 2 teenage girls (17 & 14 ) oldest will be graduating and youngest is in grade 9. They both love to play soccer so its where my time goes lol but I love to watch them play.

Fun Fact: I'm named after my great grandma Justine Wallace on my mom side , and my grandma on my dads side Rose Peters

#### Ts'ol'l'tsten Rob Andrew

**Operations Manager** 

The Operations Manager oversees the overall operations of the Ts'zil Learning Center including the building's systems, daily maintenance/cleaning, the contractors and any building improvements or construction. Before taking on my role at Ts'zil, I worked as a Carpenter for 15 years and then owned and operated a cabinetry/woodwork business for another 15.

Being in the mountains any day in any season is a good day for me.

Fun Fact: The Canucks are the only team to appear in three Stanley Cup finals and to have never won one. But I think this might be the year they go all the way.



#### Eppa Patrick O. Wallace

Maintenance/ Janitor

I take care of anything that has to do physically with Tszil. From cleaning, fixing, or removing. So, everything from HVAC to the garbage. I am hard working and fun to be around. I am good for a laugh or saying "good morning" to you. Fun fact: Nickleback is the greatest band of all time.



#### Arnie Jim Janitor

I disinfect and clean the building daily. I'm currently taking a computer course to help improve my tech savviness. I mostly the outdoorsy type but I need to adapt to today's reality. Fun Fact: I am a Star Wars fan but only first trilogy.

#### Mahus Tilalus Melanie Williams

Lil'wat Employment and Training Manager

Under the direction of the Director of Ts'zil, the Lil'wat Employment and Training (LEAT) Manager is responsible for Employment and Training planning and services within our contracted Catchment Area. The Manager supervises the work of two Career Development Practitioners (CDP's), a WorkBC Employment Advisor (EA) and an Administrative Assistant. The LEAT Team is responsible for providing employment and training related support services from resume building to job placements to program development and implementation.

I am new to the Employment and Training department, I started on August 22, 2022 and have enjoyed the first few weeks with the Ts'zil Team. We are currently recruiting for the LEAT team and have completed a number of interviews. I am hoping in the coming weeks, we will have a fully functioning team ready to provide the Nation with exceptional programming and service.

I am a Lil'wat Nation member and live with my little family at Leqmets. My work within the Nation has crossed many departments over many years, and has allowed me to gain a better understanding of our organization's administration, leadership and service provision. I thoroughly enjoy working for my community.

Fun Fact: My family and I make maple syrup from the native species of maple, Bigleaf Maple. This process is a labour love and we do the entire process together as a team.



#### Telase Pixemcal Telase Pascal

Employment Counsellor- (Career Development Practitioner) CDP

I assist Indigenous individuals with employment services such as resume creation, job search, recruiting for upcoming training and or job starts support, and career exploration.

I have been a CDP for going onto 7 years, I have been serving the Lílwat and Lower communities for 6 years. My family consists of my daughter Kacey Joseph, son Elijah Pascal and partner Sennen Joseph. I enjoy playing soccer, I currently play for the Squamish United Ladies team in North Van, I also enjoy hunting and fishing. Fun Fact:I am left-handed, I have a cat named Lloyd but we all call him Pep, I have Thalassophobia

#### Kík7ak Helena Edmonds

Manager of Advanced Education

Brief Description of Your Role: Responsible for managing the relationships between Capilano University and School District 48 and all their levels of learning. Supporting Lil'wat learners; preparing them to attend post-secondary both in and out of the community. Supporting the students while they are studying to ensure success and capacity building for Lílwat. Oversees the School District (SD) 48 Indigenous Support Workers.

Oversees the education being delivered in the Ts'zil Learning Centre I love to fish; sockeye, coho, chinook, dolly varden, rainbow trout and even enjoy catching suckers. I fish by rod, by gill net and drift net. I fish local rivers and lakes. If time and budget permitted, I would fish daily, it is how I 'fill my cup'. I am a die-hard Canuck fan.

Fun Fact: My first attempt at growing pumpkins this year and I have two **huge** pumpkins that have caught the eye of a few neighbours and passersby.

### Cindy Irving

Learning Facilitator for the Advanced Education Department.

As the Learning Facilitator, I support and guide post-secondary students to ensure their success in their choice of study. The level of supports that I offer are based on each individual learner and their needs.

I am proud to say that I am Lil'wat, and I was born in our beautiful Lil'wat territory. I've lived most of my life here in Lil'wat and spent about a decade living in the Nisga'a territory. I am married to William Irving, and we share six wonderful children together.

Fun fact: In my spare time I love to travel, paddle board, and take long walks. Lastly, I have three crazy, adorable dogs that give me an endless supply of bossiness that keeps me on my toes.

#### Kíka7 Tsúntsuli Vera J. Edmonds

Language & Culture Coordinator

As the Language & Culture Coordinator, I am responsible for a variety of projects and programs related to the preservation of the Lílwat culture and language. Currently, my main projects are FirstVoices and Digitization.

Photography is one my favourite hobbies. I love capturing moments in time because in the future they become special memories. Spooky season is one of my favourite times of year. The colours, the weather, pumpkins, tea, horror movies, Halloween decorations, I love it all. Also, I like cats.

Fun Fact: If I could gain any skill, I would want to speak any language. I would be able to watch anime and Korean shows without subtitles. Also, it would be awesome to not have a language barrier when travelling to new places.



#### qwétspeq Janice Telfer

Culture Centre Supervisor

is responsible for scheduling and managing the time and workload of the Culture Resources Representatives. Coordinating activities and programs for the Culture Centre and maintaining the overall function of the Culture Centre.

I enjoy crafts and have a tendency to over indulge in craft supplies that I will eventually use 😳

Fun Fact: I have a small hobby farm, chickens, turkey's, ducks, turtles, dogs, quails, rabbits, fish and snails.







#### Jasmine A. Ross

Lil'wat Employment & Training Administrative Assistant

Brief Description of Your Role: As the Administrative Assistant I help in various sections of work within the LEAT team when needed, such as filing, creating posters for upcoming program and courses we offer, booking caterers and data entries.

A Little About Yourself: I moved to Mount Currie this year from Lac La Ronge, Saskatchewan. I graduated from the Office Administration program with Northlands College and began working with the Saskatchewan Health Authority not long after I received my certificate. Since than I have been working in Health Care for the last two years. I am pleased to be working within the Ts'zil Learning Center as the Lil'wat Employment and Training Administrative Assistant, it is different working in an education facility, but I am ready to learn all the new things that will help me grow in my career!

Ts'zil Staff bio's missing; LEAT CDP Linnea Ward (welcome back) &

Aimee Williams WorkBC Emp. Advisor Cultural

Manager Lois Joseph, and Cultural Assistant Fiona Milton.

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#### Erin Stewart Elliott

Convenor, Program Manager, Program Developer

I am helping coordinate the Lil'wat Language and Culture Certificate Program and the University One Certificate program. This means support both the students and the instructors.

Part of my role is organizing cultural activities for students. If you see me, please tell me what land-based and cultural activities you want at Ts'zil.

I moved to BC from Ontario in 2001. I have worked for Capilano University for 9 years. live in N'Quatqua territory with my husband Rob, my son River, and our 2 cats. I love walking, hiking, cooking, and making art. Fun Fact: My favourite food is homemade pizza. I love it because it's super tasty. And it's a way to connect and have fun with my family.



Cap U Staff bio's missing; Robert Shuster, Jenny Fitzgerald, Amanda Walker, Sharon Leinweber, Lisa Sambo

## **SEPT/OCT HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **Operations team building:** Meadows Park for Canucks Training Camp



## Staff Orange Shirt Day



Welcome Back To **Classes BBQ Party**  Ts'zil Learning Center **Education Committee Meeting** 



Halloween 2022 Fun



L.E.A.T Job Fair





## **Ribbon Skirt making program for Truth and Reconciliation week**

Hosted by Lil'wat Cultural Centre, Facilitated by Leigh Dan, Sponsored by Lil'wat Wellness Department



Larissa Pascal making her skirt & finished product





Veras finished product Hazel working on her skirt & finished product