



LOUIS RIEL DAY - NOVEMBER 16, 2017 - CELEBRATE MÉTIS CULTURE

# Ginny Gonneau

## Performance - Traditional Métis Jigging MAX: 150 students

A unique dance developed by the Métis people combines the intricate footwork of Native dancing with the instruments and form of European music. Celebrate the unique history and culture of Métis people featuring the 'Red River Jig' the unofficial Métis anthem, other popular Métis fiddle songs such as the 'Heel-Toe Polka' and finishing with the crowd pleasing, energetic 'Orange Blossom Special'.

**GRADES: K - 12/sec V**    **MAXIMUM: 150 students**  
ONE PERFORMANCE: (30 minutes, incl. Q & A) \$315 + HST  
TWO PERFORMANCES: same school, same day \$540 + HST

## Workshops - Red River Jig Workshop MAX: 30 students

Students are introduced to traditional Métis jigging through the most famous Métis dance, the 'Red River Jig', the centerpiece of Métis jigging. The artist begins each workshop with a performance of the 'Red River Jig' then students learn to dance the basic jig, as well as the history of Métis jigging. All elements are combined in a dance circle where students will dance three changes of the 'Red River Jig'. Older grades will also be introduced to the 'Heel Toe Polka' and the 'Orange Blossom Special'.

**GRADES: 3 - 8/sec II**    **GRADES: 9 - 12/sec III-V**  
ONE HOUR SESSION \$235 + HST    ONE 90 MINUTE SESSION \$260 + HST  
HALF DAY: two 1 hour sessions \$345 + HST    HALF DAY: two 90 minute sessions \$395 + HST  
FULL DAY: three 1 hour sessions \$420 + HST    FULL DAY: three 90 minute sessions \$495 + HST

**CURRICULUM LINKS** Understand expressions of Métis culture and identity through music and dance; explore how dance keeps culture alive and reflects identity; identify how dance builds community and Métis culture is reflected in Métis dance; blending of dance traditions; active listening skills, patterns of music; rhythm; identify unique dance elements of traditional Métis jigging

Limited funding available for eligible schools on a first come, first served basis.  
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