

Safeguarding XPeɣ' / Cedar

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WHAT

The Cowichan Watershed Board is pleased to resume its monthly Speaker Series in collaboration with VIU Cowichan Campus with an informative evening about Safeguarding XPeɣ'/Cedar. Central to local culture and ecosystems for millennia, this tree, called XPeɣ' by the Quw'utsun indigenous people, is under stress in our watershed. Learn why, and what Quw'utsun elders, tree scientists, and others are doing to safeguard Cedar for the future. The event will be facilitated by Cowichan Watershed Board member, CVRD Director, and forest ecologist, Alison Nicholson. **FREE. All welcome.**

WHEN

Monday March 20th 7:00-8:30 pm

WHERE

Vancouver Island University -Cowichan Campus

2011 University Way, Duncan. Lecture Hall 140 (Seating capacity 80.)

SPEAKERS

- Qwiyahwultuhw Robert George, elder, Quw'utsun' Cultural Connections
- Heather Pritchard, eco-forestry consultant
- Lise van der Merwe, research scientist, Cowichan Lake Research Station, BC Ministry of Forests



This event is presented in partnership with [Quw'utsun' Cultural Connections](#).



The Speakers Series features engaging speakers sharing their knowledge and expertise on topics relevant to the well-being and sustainability of the Cowichan watershed, within Quw'utsun territory. The series is hosted by the [Cowichan Watershed Board](#), with the support of [VIU Cowichan](#) and the [Real Estate Foundation of BC](#), and our generous speakers. It occurs on the 3rd Monday of the month, in select months. (Click logo for more info.)