





Traditions pour Demain, the Diplomatic Club of Geneva and the Alumni ICRC, are pleased to invite you to a special evening with

Dominique Rankin, Hereditary Chief and Elder of the Algonquin tradition in Canada

Marie-Josée Tardif, Elder of the Algonquin tradition in Canada

on the theme

## A New Balance for Humanity

Age-old knowledge and traditions that offer tangible solutions and inspiration for the future

Tuesday, 14 May 2024 at 18:30

Restaurant CICR, Avenue de la Paix 19, 1202 Geneva

## **PROGRAM**

18:30 Welcome words by:

- Gilles Carbonnier, Vice-President, International Committee of the Red Cross
- Raymond Loretan, President, Diplomatic Club of Geneva
- Christina Oberli, Director, Traditions pour Demain

18:45 Conference Dominique Rankin & Marie-Josée Tardif, exchange with the participants

19:45 Closing ceremony

20:00 Cocktail reception



Elder Dominique (T8aminik) Rankin was born in the forests of northwestern Quebec, inheriting the nomadic lifestyle of his Anicinape ancestors. At seven, he was chosen by elders to succeed his father as hereditary chief, embarking on a lifelong journey of learning and initiation. Despite the challenges of Indian Residential Schools, he found solace and strength in his people's traditions and medicine. Today, as a recognized elder and medicine man, Grandfather Dominique advocates for reconciliation and invites us to join in bridging cultural divides. Through the Dominique Rankin Foundation, he works tirelessly to empower Indigenous communities and preserve their rich heritage. (www.fondationdominiquerankin.com)



Marie-Josée Tardif, a former Canadian journalist, has been working alongside Dominique Rankin since 2007 to pass on Indigenous knowledge and wisdom. She is known as an Elder of Algonquin tradition in Canada.

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