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**Public Lecture with Dr. Ernie Walker**

“Wanuskewin: Past, Present and Future”

Born in Saskatoon and educated at the Universities of Saskatchewan and Texas, he has pursued a two-pronged career in prehistoric research and forensic science. Walker’s research has focused on North American prehistory in the northern plains and American southwest. His archaeological work in Saskatchewan is characterized by co-operation with First Nations Elders and authorities, who have named him Miyo Peyasew (Red Thunderbird) and Honorary Chief. Walker began excavations at Wanuskewin, 5 km north of Saskatoon, in 1982 and has been a
Program

Friday April 29th

11:30 am - 2:30 pm
Saskatchewan Association of Professional Archaeologists (SAPA) Annual Meeting
Awi-Paskwaw South Room
*closed meeting*

3:30 - 6:30 pm
Public ArchaeoCaravan - take part in activities for kids
Multi-Purpose Room (room courtesy of Wanuskewin Heritage Park)

4:30 - 6:30 pm
Jump into Archaeology! Trade Show
Multi-Purpose Room

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4:30 - 8:00 pm
SaskScapes Pop-Up Podcast Booth
Saskatchewan’s premier podcast on all things arts, culture and heritage will be recording it’s next episode today!!
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