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# Full **BLOOM FEST** at lougheed house gardens

# Story Circuit

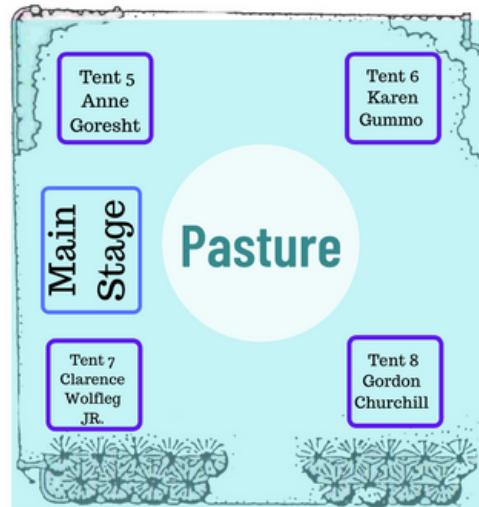
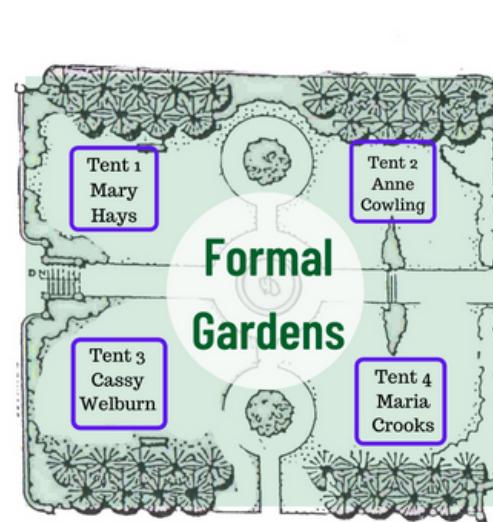
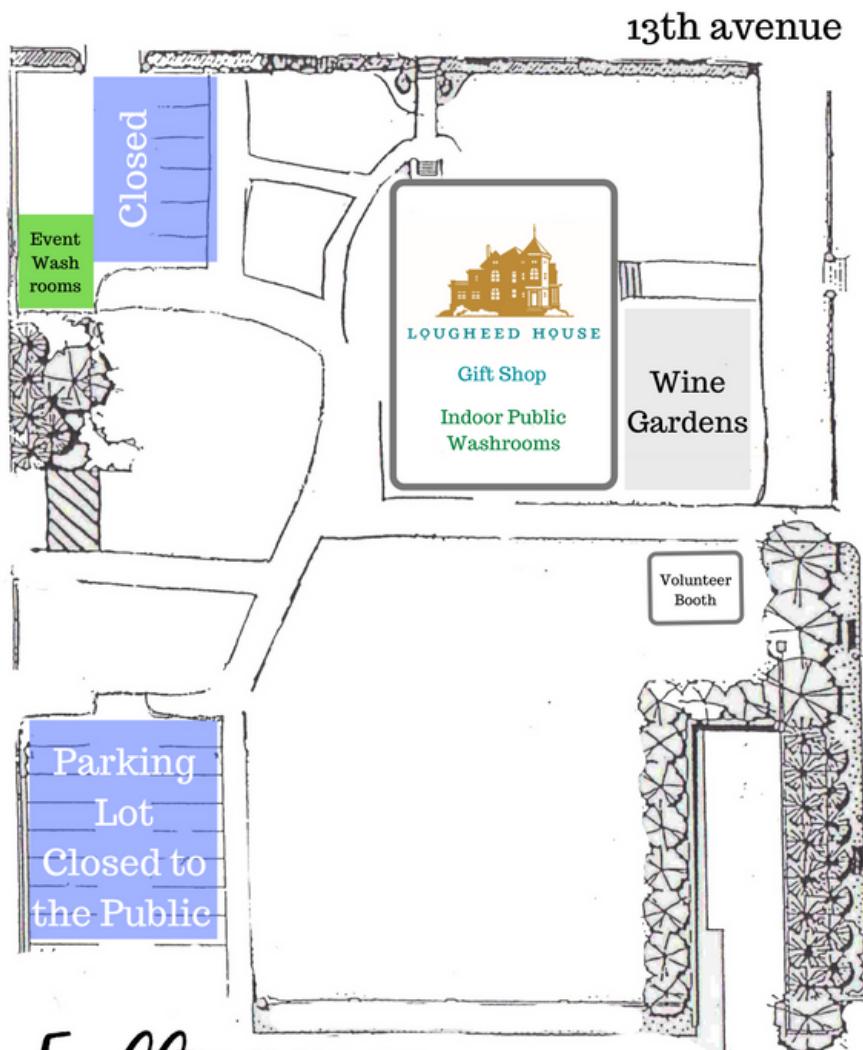
## **Featured Artists:**

Gord Churchill, Anne Cowling, Maria Crooks, Mary Hays, Anne Gorsht,

Karen Gummo, Cassy Welburn, and Clarence M. Wolfleg, Junior



# Story Circuit Map



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14th avenue



Food Truck  
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# Schedule

	<b>Formal Gardens</b>	<b>Pasture</b>
<b>6.30 PM</b>		Traditional Blessing, Cree Welcome Song & Land Acknowledgement by Cheryle Chagnon-Greyeyes
<b>6.45 PM</b>	Mary Hays, Anne Cowling, Cassy Welburn	Anne Goresht, Clarence M. Wolfleg Junior
<b>7.00 PM</b>	Maria Crooks, Anne Cowling	Clarence M. Wolfleg, Junior, Karen Gummo, Gord Churchill
<b>7.15 PM</b>	Maria Crooks, Mary Hays, Cassy Welburn	Anne Goresht, Gord Churchill, Karen Gummo
<b>7.30 PM</b>	Mary Hays, Anne Cowling, Cassy Welburn	Anne Goresht, Clarence M. Wolfleg, Junior
<b>7.45 PM</b>	Maria Crooks, Anne Cowling	Clarence M. Wolfleg, Junior, Gord Churchill, Karen Gummo
<b>8.00 PM</b>	Maria Crooks, Mary Hays, Cassy Welburn	Anne Goresht, Gord Churchill, Karen Gummo
<b>8.15 PM</b>		Traditional Blackfoot Round Dance led by Clarence M. Wolfleg, Junior

# Blessing, Land Acknowledgement, & Song



**Cheryle Chagnon-Greyeyes** is a member of Muskeg Lake Cree Nation, Saskatchewan, Treaty Six, and resides in Calgary, Treaty 7, Alberta. Cheryle earned a BA in Communications and a BA in Canadian "Native" Studies from the University of Calgary. She has been an Indigenous activist within Calgary and area for the past decade, marching, singing and drumming for women, MMIWG2S, Indigenous justice, championing the environment, and speaking up for those who cannot. Cheryle retired from the Native Centre at the University of Calgary, and was the former Leader of the Green Party of Alberta (2018-2019). She provides service as a Traditional Knowledge Keeper, sharing Indigenous protocol, Territorial Acknowledgements, prayers and ceremony (upon request). Cheryle is mother of two, "Kokum" (grandmother) to two beautiful grandsons and step-kokum to two beautiful twin granddaughters.



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# Stories /1

## 1 **Mary Hays / The Lorraine Apartment: A Cup of Tea and a Kiss Goodbye**

Mary tells the story of her Scottish grandmother's life from the homestead at Irricana to living at the Lorraine Apartment where she sent her daughter off to serve overseas in World War II.

## 2 **Anne Cowling / Discoveries in the Garden**

As an immigrant from England, Anne's "Discoveries in the Garden" mirrors her personal discovery of Canada, culminating in Calgary's unique gardening experience.

## 3 **Cassy Welburn / Night Sky - Prairie Sky**

Cassy tells of a child's life on the farm, under the big night sky where she finds a connection to her grandmother in the stars.

## 4 **Maria Crooks / The Grand Story of Charles Daniels**

A man is turned away from the front rows of the Grand Theatre in 1914. His bold legal challenge paves the way for others to stand up in the face of discrimination.



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# Stories<sub>/2</sub>

**5 Anne Goresht / My Wedding Dress**  
Anne's tale describes her missed wedding celebration and her journey of love. To compensate, she has remembered her 64 years of marriage to Sam year after year by wearing the same Sally Ann wedding dress.

**6 Gord Churchill / Pat Burns: Irish Kid, Made Good**  
Pat Burns, a very important character in the development of early Alberta, is practically unknown today. Gord's story will look at his character and what made his business success.

**7 Clarence Wolfleg, Junior / Heart Beat of the People**  
Clarence tells the story of how the power of the drum as the heart beat of the people ties us together.

**8 Karen Gummo / The Tale of a Stonecutter**  
Karen's Icelandic great-great-uncle Indiridi Fridriksson/Henry Reinholt helped to build "Beaulieu", or Lougheed House. Is it his child's shoe now concealed in the wall of the house?

# Storyteller Bios /1

## *Gord Churchill*



**Gord Churchill** is a storyteller who has always told stories but began telling formal tales in the 1980s after taking a storytelling class with day care workers while working as a minister in a congregation. Stories started to pop in place of sermons, with children, and in other places. He has been active in Storytelling Alberta for about 10 years and has told many family and historical stories.

## *Anne Cowling*



**Anne Cowling** has been writing stories since she was six years old, at which time she was introduced to some Russians and their folk tales. While she still enjoys telling folk tales, especially Russian ones, she more often tells personal stories - the adventures and pratfalls and moments of joy in everyday life.

# Storyteller Bios /2

## Maria Crooks



**Maria Crooks** is a Calgary storyteller, playwright and actor who has participated in several events with Storytelling Alberta. For the past 2 years she has hosted a Story Café in February to celebrate Black History Month.

## Mary Hays



**Mary Hays**, from Calgary, Alberta, is a full time storyteller who enjoys telling stories that tickle the funnybone and touch the heart. She enlivens storytelling sessions and workshops with puppets, rhymes and a range of stories from folktales to stories of Alberta history. Her historic shows include The Valiant Five, Our Legacy - Our Story, Wise and Wilful Women, Tales of the Olds Cemetery, Stories of the Blackfoot People and family stories of her Scottish grandmother's life.

# Storyteller Bios /3

## Anne Goresht



**Anne Goresht** is a native Calgarian who you may recall as Miss Anne on Romper Room in the early 60's on TV. She has been a member of Storytelling Alberta - Calgary for over 15 years. One of her favourite stories is telling people about how she celebrated her wedding anniversary every year wearing the same wedding dress. She was married to her husband Sam for 64 years and wore her wedding dress over 37 times!

## Karen Gummo



**Karen Gummo** is an artist and storyteller with a passion for her Nordic Ancestry. For more than 30 years, Karen has carried out storytelling workshops and residencies in schools and museums and travelled across Alberta and Canada and as far as Iceland to perform as a storyteller. She has appeared as Lady Isabella on the grounds of Lougheed House and now has discovered that her great great uncle Indiridi Fridriksson was one of the new immigrants to help build "Beaulieu", or Lougheed House, in 1891.

# Storyteller Bios /4

## Cassy Welburn



**Cassy Welburn** is a Calgary poet and storyteller who has shared stories across Canada and as storyteller in residence in Calgary schools. She is a retired teacher who offers folktale and poetry woven into personal stories available on her CD, *Tales From the Night Tree*, and book, *Changelings*.

## Clarence M. Wolfleg, Junior



**Clarence M. Wolfleg Junior** is from the Siksika Nation. He grew up in a family steeped in the teachings of the Blackfoot culture. Since the 1990s he has been sharing the wisdom of his ancestors at gatherings at museums, schools, cultural centres and around the camp fire. He is proud to be trained in the Blackfoot Powpow style as a singer and drummer.