

## Groundswell Conference – Jan 29, 2014

### Summary of Ticket Out Feedback

#### **What action might you take to contribute to our community's well-being because of your experience today?**

- ✓ Continue to have an open mind, be a learner and a teacher
- ✓ I will "show-up" with a positive attitude and an open-mind!
- ✓ Talk to more people about ideas
- ✓ Take part in Compassion Day – May 23rd
- ✓ Manned the Community Caregivers booth, more grants for help
- ✓ I'll try to accept? Other's compassion by keeping in touch with people here in Powell River
- ✓ Connect again with Talks Town (unreadable) former projects?
- ✓ Write and Share personal stories of self, others, places
- ✓ Reach out to others in our community
- ✓ Improve myself as a leader. Encourage a youth representative on all decision making bodies
- ✓ Volunteer, Research more with regards to PR, what's out there, who's out there. Thank you
- ✓ Invite others to share their gifts
- ✓ I will communicate the lessons learned to others in the community
- ✓ Continue building relationships – connections – talking and listening
- ✓ Volunteering with youth

#### **What was the most powerful part of the day for you?**

- ✓ Realizing many people and organizations are working toward the same goal. See the potential in ALL!
- ✓ I really enjoyed the native based learning. Having the elders speak was very powerful.
- ✓ World Café – the chance to sit at a table with community members of all ages and backgrounds
- ✓ Picture conference
- ✓ Listening to powerful speakers and inspiration. We need to develop our youth as leaders
- ✓ Listening to Elsie and Eugene and to hear how much hope they have for the future and the community as a whole.
- ✓ Connection with others
- ✓ The leadership workshop, it was the best
- ✓ Key note speaker – Al
- ✓ Community Communication
- ✓ Being able to be a part of it
- ✓ The openness and willingness of people
- ✓ The art thing, when we made the collage
- ✓ All the different people, from different backgrounds, different walks of life, Coming together because of one thing "Groundswell 2014" but many different topics and discussions
- ✓ Always more powerful for me is meeting new people and sharing ideas
- ✓ Al Etmanski
- ✓ Listening to Al Etmanski speak
- ✓ Youth Panel, Al Etmanski, Eugene Louie

#### **What one idea stands out for you as your greatest take away from the conference**

- ✓ Connectivity through listening and sharing
- ✓ A reminder of the way the advantages and disadvantages if change can affect us!
- ✓ Who needs ferries, we have one really really big canoe
- ✓ Where am I least joyful? In situations where my values are being crossed!! This opens up a whole area of self-discovery for me!! Thank you Sandra
- ✓ I was inspired by the shared interest of elders and youth to be learning from each other. I'd like to be more deliberate in all of our community initiatives to facilitate that process.

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- ✓ How receptive we are to the future Powell River
- ✓ Grants for Community Caregiver
- ✓ That labels don't matter, we are in this together
- ✓ The idea of acceptance through diversity
- ✓ Change needs to come from people getting together and breaking down the barriers of the hierarchy of institutions, governments, corporations, etc.
- ✓ The critical need for continuing intergenerational exchange of information and ideas
- ✓ Beautiful
- ✓ To stop trying to save people and listen to them
- ✓ Getting a better understanding of "inclusion" What is that for each of us?
- ✓ There is a crack in everything, that's how the light gets through- Al
- ✓ Diversity
- ✓ Future opportunities to work together
- ✓ Where do we go from here
- ✓ Recognizing and appreciating and inviting the many ways people contribute to our community
- ✓ Belonging, Love=Beauty
- ✓ Bring beauty into the room

### **Do you have any suggestions or feedback for the conference organizers?**

- ✓ Very good pace to the day – inspiring, is there any follow-up?
- ✓ Outside time
- ✓ It was a wonderful day – great positive energy, refreshing
- ✓ How could you help community "change makers", make more connections through this conference?  
Have the tables of community organizations/businesses at edges of gym – not so tucked away
- ✓ I loved the conference, I didn't always know what to do next, but it all worked out well! And I'm leaving with a smile on my face!
- ✓ For a zero waste event, please do not use disposable plastic table cloths. More hands on jobs
- ✓ More opportunity for participation on content
- ✓ You did very well, hopefully we will be able to get a full overall report etc.
- ✓ Let's get together soon
- ✓ Include seniors from homes
- ✓ What can I say, Well done!
- ✓ Let's have elders from all peoples!
- ✓ Awesome, really eye opening!
- ✓ Emphasis on positive is great. Also need to know about threats to our values, like the cancellation of the LEAP program
- ✓ A venue that allows us a connection to the outdoors. Such a pity to waste the sunshine!
- ✓ Addition of community groups – excellent addition. Awesome lunch, Thanks for having me.

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**On a scale of 1-5, 1 being little impact and 5 being high impact, how would you rate the impact the Groundswell Conference had on you.**

One Response  
1

2

One Response  
3

One Response  
3.5

Seven Responses  
4

Ten Response  
5

- ✓ For the breakout session, needs more actual art if it is to be used in the title
- ✓ Awesome it would be great to add some “how” time in future or next steps
- ✓ A powerful inspiring day
- ✓ Great networking and reconnecting
- ✓ Positive momentum, many overlapping circles of positivity
- ✓ The food was amazing! And helped keep energy up/ Lots learned
- ✓ Awesome!
- ✓ I learned a lot of knowledge that I can carry out in my life with all the different roles and hats that I wear, and can impact a lot of people in the PR community and around the world.
- ✓ Great to meet more community members, Great Food, Welcoming atmosphere
- ✓ Lots of opportunities for connection and re-connection, Thank you
- ✓ Involvement of so many diverse groups- meaningful, great speakers, inspiring
- ✓ Great Day
- ✓ Future of Powell River bright
- ✓ Very positive and uplifting experience! Thank you
- ✓ Beauty, Real, Positive. How do we give/repeat the gift of today’s conference and inclusion and positive invitation to the rest of Powell River?
- ✓ This was a wonderful opportunity for this community – conversation/connection to celebrate the uniqueness, creativity and diversity of this community