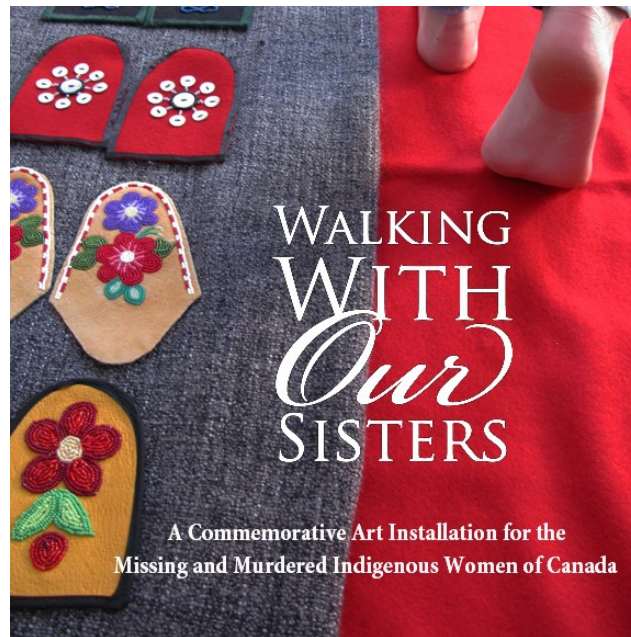


Walking With Our Sisters will be in Sault Ste Marie May 5-18, 2014 in the Shingwauk Auditorium at Algoma University.

Walking With Our Sisters is a massive commemorative art installation comprised of 1,600+ moccasin vamps (tops) created and donated by hundreds of caring and concerned individuals to draw attention to missing and murdered Indigenous women. The large collaborative art piece exists as a floor installation made up of beaded vamps arranged in a winding path formation on fabric and includes cedar boughs. Viewers remove their shoes to walk on a path of cloth alongside the vamps.

Each pair of vamps (or “uppers” as they are also called) represents one missing or murdered Indigenous woman. The unfinished moccasins represent the unfinished lives of the women whose lives were cut short. Together the installation represents all these women; paying respect to their lives and existence on this earth. They are not forgotten. They are sisters, mothers, aunties, daughters, cousins, grandmothers, wives and partners. They have been cared for, they have been loved, they are missing and they are not forgotten.



School groups are invited to visit Walking With Our Sisters. Accompanying educational programming is available with advance notice. Contact the Shingwauk Residential School Centre ShingwaukDG@algomau.ca or 705-949-2301 ext 4623 for more information.