



# Banff 2024

PURSuing RECONCILIATION IN THE CANADIAN CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

39TH CCJA CONGRESS

**Moving Forward Together:  
Exploring Pathways to Reconciliation, Healing, and Public Safety**

October 7-10th, 2024  
Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity, Banff, Alberta

## 2024 Call for Abstracts

You are cordially invited to submit an abstract to present at the  
**39th Congress on Criminal Justice.**

This event will be held from October 7-10, 2024, at the Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity in Banff, Alberta.

The CCJA Congress is the meeting place for a wide range of stakeholders from Alberta and across Canada. Make plans to attend this learning and networking opportunity to discuss the most recent research results, share best practices, and create partnerships in various aspects of criminal justice.

This event is expected to attract over 400 participants, exhibitors, and leaders from across the country. This year, we are hosting the congress in partnership with the Alberta Criminal Justice Association in **Banff, Alberta**. This congress offers keynote presentations and a multitude of concurrent sessions and documentaries featuring the best, most promising, and emerging practices in the sector.

**The 2024 congress is hosted by the Canadian Criminal Justice Association in partnership with the Alberta Criminal Justice Association, under the theme:**

**Moving Forward Together:  
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**Link to submit your presentation:** <http://www.innovative4youevents.com/ccja2024.htm>

Questions? Contact Sherry Sim, Event Manager: 1-866-655-8548 or email: [sherry@innovative4you.com](mailto:sherry@innovative4you.com)

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# Abstract Details

To facilitate, we will be exploring the following themes and topics:

## Reconciliation and Restorative Justice

- Applying restorative justice practices
- How to heal the harms imposed on Indigenous Peoples over the decades
- International best practices
- Have we overlooked the treatment of Black Canadians?

## Pathways to Healing

- Does one size fit all
- Identifying pathways toward healing
- Addressing vicarious trauma
- Mental health challenges within criminal justice populations
- Adaptive strategies for elderly and disabled offenders
- Specialized needs of offenders from minority groups
- The rising population of women as criminal justice clients
- Therapeutic jurisprudence
- Addictions, crime, and public safety

## Public Safety and Changing Paradigms

- Indigenous Policing
- Racialized data collection: the practice, the challenge
- Integrating the community as genuine partners in reconciliation
- Showcasing 3P – Public Private Partnerships
- Responding to social disorder issues
- Consequences to policing as a result of anti-police and defund movements.
- Cancel culture's impact on sharing diverse pathways forward in the CJS.
- Media reporting on justice issues – bias and advocacy vs informing and educating the public.
- Addiction and crime – enabling and assisting the addict and the result on the public safety.

## **Submission Details:**

- Submissions should provide a brief explanation of the presentation in 150 words or less.
- Abstracts will be accepted until **December 1st, 2023**.
- Presenters will be notified if their abstracts have been accepted by the **Feb 29, 2024**.
- Honoraria, accommodation, and travel reimbursement are not available for presenters. A discounted registration rate for the conference will be available to accepted presenters.

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## Conference sessions will be offered in a variety of formats:

All formats will be expected to provide interactive elements to ensure audience engagement. Note: polling and breakout rooms are an option with our conference platform.

### 1. Concurrent Sessions:

Concurrent sessions can be in the format of a Panel discussion or workshop presentation.

- A panel session will involve a formal discussion between multiple presenters on relevant ideas and topics. Format can include short presentation style or guided QA by a facilitator. Cross institutional/organizational panels are encouraged.
- A Workshop presentation provides a platform for presenters to share expertise, and for participants to gain new knowledge and/or a new skill. The presentation will take an interactive approach that will address new programming and completed research, while giving participants a 'hands-on' experience of the subject.
- A Question-and-Answer period would be included and encouraged for your presentation.

### 2. Scholarly Poster Presentations

A poster session will allow for research results and encouraging breakthroughs to be presented in written and graphic format. Presenters should be available at scheduled times to explain their findings and respond to questions from Congress.

- Display space for Poster Presentations will also be offered. Posters should be printed on poster paper that can be tacked onto a poster board stand. Size: 46" x 46". You are welcome to create additional documentation as handouts to be provided in the delegate bags.

### 3. Documentaries, Short films

The documentaries or short films should seek to inform, share experiences and engage discussions related to the Congress theme and topics of focus.

Any questions, please contact Sherry Sim, Event Manager at 1-866-655-8548.

