

# Diploma in Local Democracy

## Guest Speaker Series

For this lecture series, we have brought together three speakers with experience in practicing the art of Local Democracy.



### Democracy as an Expression of Aboriginal Worldview

Presented by Mac Saulis, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm

Professor Mac Saulis is the co-ordinator of the Wilfred Laurier University Faculty of Social Work - Aboriginal Field of Study program and a First Nations scholar. In this discussion, Saulis will explore the idea of worldview as a useful tool in examining the purpose of one's life, and how community and democracy can flow from a shared worldview.



### Society for Quality Education

Presented by Malkin Dare, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:30pm

Malkin Dare, originally an elementary school teacher, is currently the president of the **Society for Quality Education**, a group dedicated to improving the education system and giving students a better chance at successful learning. In her discussion, Dare will explore the need for increasing the level of democracy in the education system as a way of improving the quality of education received by students.



### Democracy, Community, & the Limits of Law & Politics

Presented by Ken Westhues, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm

Ken Westhues is a Professor of Sociology at the University of Waterloo and author of *The Working Centre: Experiment in Social Change*. Westhues' discussion will look at how groups must look to their own members rather than large institutions to create real, inclusive, and meaningful communities.

Hosted at St. John's Kitchen, 97 Victoria St. N., Kitchener

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