

**2008 Dene Languages Conference
3-6 July 2008
Cold Lake First Nation
Cold Lake, Alberta, Canada**

Conference Theme: Language and the Arts

3 July: Dene Arts Festival
4-6: Dene Languages Conference

Call for Papers/Request for Presentation Proposals for Dene Languages Conference:

NOTE: Deadline has been extended to June 15, 2008.

Please submit your proposal for Papers (30 minutes) or Group Presentations (60 minutes) by Friday, 23 May 2008, on any topic relating to Dene/Athapaskan languages, including:

- language revitalization
- language documentation and analysis
- language teaching, learning, and acquisition
- academic and community collaborations
- community language and culture programs
- language and technology
- language materials development
- Dene Indigenous knowledge

and, especially,

- language and the arts

Your proposal should include:

- title and abstract (no more than one page)
- type of presentation (30 minutes or 60 minutes)
- name and affiliation of presenter(s)
- contact information (including phone/fax numbers, email and mailing addresses) for lead presenter
- any special presentation equipment required (a digital projector and loud speakers will be provided)

Please submit your abstract in .pdf format if your text includes special fonts. Presentations should be aimed at a general audience. There will be a single session for the 2-day conference.

By email, please submit proposals to:

dene2008@ualberta.ca

By mail, please submit proposals to:

**2008 Dene Languages Conference
Department of Linguistics
4-34 Assiniboia Hall
University of Alberta
Edmonton, AB T6G 2E7 CANADA**

The 1-day Dene Arts Festival on Wednesday, 3 July, requires no special proposal. If you or your group wish to perform or display materials, crafts, or artifacts, please notify Valerie Wood at <vjwood@mcsnet.ca> or 780-726-2887 (home) or 780-726-7667 (work).

Conference Site:

Cold Lake First Nation is the Dene host community and conference site for the 2008 Dene Languages Conference. The exact site for the conference (including a map) will be made available closer to conference date. Cold Lake is situated in northeastern Alberta approximately 300 km (180 miles) or 3 hours by car from Edmonton. The city of Cold Lake is minutes away from the conference site and offers a variety of conveniences and amenities.

Accommodations:

Conference rates are available at the following Cold Lake motels until 15 June 2008. Please mention the Dene Languages Conference or quote the appropriate group number when you book rooms.

Lakeland Inn

780-594-3311 (tel)

Room rates (includes tax and continental breakfast):

Single—\$113.30

Double—\$128.70.

Quote Group #: 1317

El Lobo Motel

780-594-7521 (tel)

Room rates:

Single—\$80.00 + tax

Double—\$85.00 + tax

Western Budge Motel

780-594-2130 (tel)

Room rates:

Double—\$89.00 + tax

Quote Conference #: 40353

Cold Lake also features several beautiful full-service and unserviced lakeside campgrounds:

Cold Lake M.D. Campground – 1st Ave. in Cold Lake North, west of Kinosoo Beach. 74 sites with power. Amenities include picnic area, playground, showers, public telephone, lookout platform, firepits, beach and swimming area, power hookups, flush toilets. \$17/night unserviced, \$20/night with power, \$22/night with power and lakefront. Weekly rates: \$120/power, \$102/unserviced. Unlimited firewood \$2/night. Park office begins taking reservations on April 1 for stays of one week or longer and May 1 for all other campers. Reservations highly recommended. 780-639-4121.

Cold Lake Provincial Park – 5 km northeast of Cold Lake off Highway 28. Total 117 sites: 26 unserviced sites, 79 sites with power and 12 walk-in tenting sites. Firepits, firewood, boat launch, coin operated showers, pump and tap water, dumping station, day use area, group camping area, playground, hiking trails, swimming, lookout platforms, public beach, fishing,

boating, birding, cross-country skiing. \$24/night with power, \$18/night unserviced. 780-639-3341.

Cold Lake Gateway RV Park – Located at 4003 - 50th Street in the City of Cold Lake behind Information Centre. 19 sites: 9 full service, 10 partial service. Showers, washrooms, dumping station, community fire pit (wood for sale or bring your own). \$25/night full service, \$23/night water & electricity. 1-800-840-6140.

French Bay M.D. Park – 15 km northeast of Cold Lake, 1 km south of Kinosoo Ridge Snow Resort, on the southeast shore of Cold Lake. 10 unserviced campsites, firepits, boat launch for small car top boats, day use group area, hand pump for water, dock. Unlimited firewood \$2/night. \$17/night unserviced. 780-639-3341.

Canadian and International Air Travel to Edmonton:

Information about airlines serving Edmonton International Airport (YEG) can be found at: <http://www.edmontonairports.com/flights/airlines>. Major carriers include: Air Canada, WestJet, Air North, Delta, NW Airlines, and United.

Ground Transportation between Edmonton International Airport and Cold Lake:

We have arranged van service to Cold Lake (approximately three and a half hours from Edmonton International Airport) leaving late afternoon/early evening on Wednesday, 2 July, and at approximately the same time on Thursday, 3 July. Vans will return to the airport early Sunday morning, 6 July. This shuttle service must be pre-arranged and booked by Friday, 20 June 2008. Please contact Valerie Wood to reserve space on the van. The cost is \$60 round-trip. Van service will be available free of charge between the motels and the conference site while in Cold Lake.

We strongly recommend that out-of-town participants flying to Edmonton consider renting a car at Edmonton International Airport and make their own way to Cold Lake. A downloadable route map between the airport and Cold Lake will be available shortly.

Conference Schedule:

	Wednesday 2 July 2008	Thursday 3 July 2008	Friday 4 July 2008	Saturday 5 July 2008	Sunday 6 July 2008
morning		Arts Festival	Language Conference	Language Conference	Closing Ceremony and Community Discussion
afternoon		Arts Festival	Language Conference	Language Conference	
evening	Opening Reception and Registration	Evening Activities at English Bay (tentative)	Optional activity Visit Janvier Gallery	Banquet	

Registration Fee:

Both pre-registration and on-site registration will be available. The conference fee is \$75 for participants. The cost for Elders and students will be \$30. The conference fee includes a catered lunch and coffee breaks on Thursday through Saturday, refreshments and light lunch on Sunday, as well as the Banquet on Saturday evening.

Please direct all enquiries to:

Valerie Wood, Conference Coordinator

email: vjwood@mcsnet.ca (preferred)

phone: 780-726-2887 (home)

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