

# **Speaking Engagement Overview 2025**

#### **About Mark**

Mark Marsolais-Nahwegahbow is a proud First Nations entrepreneur and founder of Birch Bark Coffee Company. He brings cultural wisdom, business leadership, and lived experience to every stage. His presentations are inspiring, thought-provoking, and rooted in reconciliation, sovereignty, and real-world impact.

### **Speaking Topics**

- **Business Reconciliation** measurable change in procurement, hiring, and partnerships.
- **Food Sovereignty** reclaiming food systems for Indigenous wellbeing and sustainable futures.
- **Indigenous Economic Development** building inclusive economies rooted in tradition and innovation.
- **Reconciliation in Action** turning truth into results in workplaces and public policy.
- **Entrepreneurship & Social Impact** lessons from building a national Indigenous brand with purpose.
- Water & Infrastructure Justice advocacy, resilience, and systems change.

#### 2025 Speaking Rates (CAD)

Virtual Presentation (45–60 min) — Starting at \$1,500

General Speaking (In-Person, 30–60 min) — Starting at \$5,000 – \$10,000+

Premium / Keynote Events — \$10,000 - \$25,000+

Travel & expenses covered by host. Workshops/panels/custom programs priced on request. Virtual is typically 20–30% less than inperson.

Custom Rates — For smaller organizations, schools, or community groups with limited budgets, special rates (starting from \$500–\$1,000) may be available upon request. These are evaluated on a case-by-case basis to ensure accessibility while maintaining professional standards.

#### Why Work with Mark

- First Nations Leadership rooted in community, sovereignty, and reconciliation.
- Proven Entrepreneur founder of a national Indigenous brand carried by major retailers.
- Cause-Driven every engagement supports the Birch Bark Foundation Fund to advance Indigenous community projects.
- Timely & Relevant tackling food sovereignty, business reconciliation, and economic inclusion at a national level.

## **Booking & Availability**

To discuss your event and receive a tailored quote, please email: **bookings@birchbarkcoffeecompany.com** or complete the Speaking Engagement Request Form on our website.

"Each engagement helps fund Mark's livelihood and fuels ongoing Indigenous economic development efforts."