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Métis Crossing video is the newest addition to "Métis Voices" series

June 17, 2021 (Edmonton, Alberta) – A new web video series aims to highlight local Métis artists alongside the production of *Mary's Wedding: A Métis Love Story*, currently streaming at the Citadel Theatre.

"Métis Voices", produced by the Citadel Theatre, features local Métis artists, performers and leaders who reflect and share experiences and aspects of the culture and what it means to be Métis.

A video interview with Métis Crossing Executive Director, Juanita Marois is the newest video in the Métis Voices series. Métis Crossing is Canada's first major Métis destination, located in Smoky Lake, Alberta. Juanita Marois describes the centre as "a place to call our own, to gather; a place to share who we are." Since the centennial opening in 2005, major improvements have been made, including the completion of the cultural gathering centre in 2019.

This video series was created with the intention of recognizing and celebrating the contributions of the Métis people within Canada and the need to share these stories in theatre. They are created in conjunction with the Citadel's Métis presentation of *Mary's Wedding: A Métis Love Story*, an adaptation by Tai Amy Grauman of the original Canadian classic by Stephen Massicotte, told anew as a love story. The play is streaming now until late 2021 and tickets can be purchased on the website at www.citadeltheatre.com

All Métis Voices videos are available on the Citadel Theatre YouTube channel.

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