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**DATE:** 1/16/2025

**SUBJECT:** Duluth Public Library to Host Visual Artist, Educator, and Storyteller Carl Gawboy for a Conversation on New Publication, "Fur Trade Nation: An Ojibwe's Graphic History"

**BY:** Elizabeth Spehar

Visual Artist, Educator, and Storyteller Carl Gawboy will give a talk at the Main Library on Saturday, January 18, about the process and subject of his recently released book, *Fur Trade Nation: An Ojibwe's Graphic History*. After decades of researching and teaching the history of fur trade relations on Turtle Island, Gawboy has created an innovative new work that explores the fur trade from an Ojibwe perspective, offering insights into Ojibwe life and the key role Ojibwe people played in the first global trading system. *Fur Trade Nation* is made up of over 800 pen and ink drawings that connect historical records and art, Indigenous and Western scholarship, contemporary life and peoples, oral traditions, and family histories. By using creative, non-traditional research methods and epistemology, Gawboy uncovers and brings to life stories of people once excluded from historical narratives and understanding.

**"Fur Trade Nation" with Carl Gawboy at the Main Library (520 W. Superior St.)**

**Saturday, January 18 | Main Library Green Room | 1:00-2:30 p.m.**

In addition to Mr. Gawboy's talk, the library will host two Ojibwe language-focused events later in the month of January, giving the community opportunities to hear and speak the language, known as Ojibwemowin or Anishinaabemowin. Details below.

**Ojibwemowin Family Storytime with Michelle Goose**

**Saturday, January 25 | Main Library, Green Room (520 W. Superior St.) | 10:15-10:45 a.m.**

Join us for a special Family Storytime in Ojibwemowin, led by Michelle Goose. We will be reading stories, singing songs, and sharing rhymes in the Ojibwe language. Geared for kids ages 3 -8 years old, but ALL are welcome!

Michelle Goose is the Anishinaabe language instructor at Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College. She is a member of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe.

**Star Wars: A New Hope - Anangong Miigaading - Film Screening and Actor Interview with Ajuawak Kapashesit**

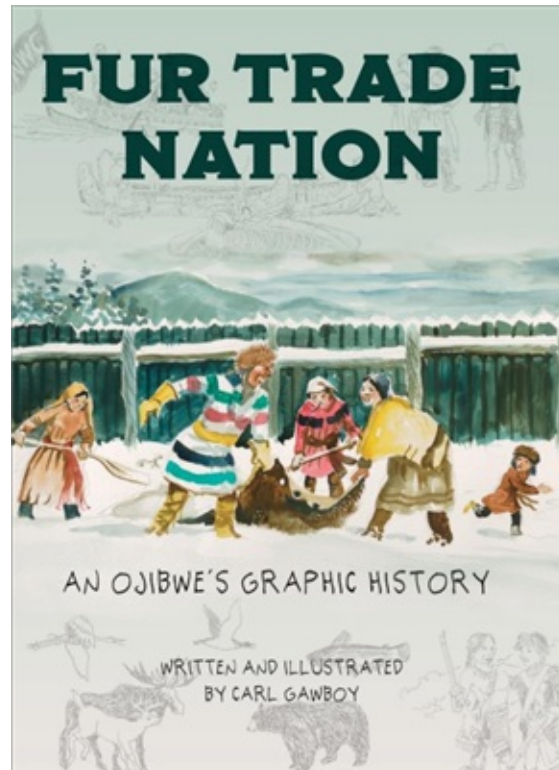
**Saturday, January 25 | Zeitgeist Arts, Teatro and Zinema spaces (222 E. Superior St.) | Interview with Ajuawak Kapashesit 6:00-7:00 p.m.; Film Screening 7:15-10:15 p.m.**

Film screening of *Star Wars: A New Hope* (*Anangong Miigaading* in Ojibwe) dubbed in the Ojibwe language with subtitles in English. Follow *ogichidaa* (warrior) Luke Skywalker on his quest to restore balance to the Force and hear the Ojibwe language celebrated in a new way!

Ahead of the film screening, actor Ajuawak Kapashesit, who grew up in White Earth and Detroit Lakes and voiced the role of Han Solo, will be present for an interview and Q&A session, sharing about his experiences in working on the *Anangong Miigaading* project. Seating for the actor interview and film screening is limited to the capacity of the theater space. Attendees will be admitted on a first come, first seated basis.

**All library events are free and open to the public.**

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A promotional graphic for a family storytime event. On the left, a bright yellow bird with black wings and a black cap is perched on a green, leafy branch. To the right of the bird, the text is arranged in a clean, sans-serif font. The words "OJIBWEMOWIN", "FAMILY", and "STORYTIME" are stacked vertically in a large, bold, green font. Below this, "with Michelle Goose" is written in a smaller, black font. The date and time, "Saturday, January 25" and "10:15-10:45 a.m.", are also in black font. The location, "MAIN LIBRARY", is in a bold, black font.