

Conference/ Conférence

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Theme

In our current age of climate change, habitat destruction, social injustice, and political disinformation, it is vital to recognize that *connection is resilience*. Our ability to adapt, recover, and innovate in the face of challenges depends on how we work together as citizens and scientists of all disciplines. Embracing this perspective, CAG/CARTO 2026 has selected *Resilience* as our theme.

Join the [Canadian Association of Geographers-CAG / Association Canadienne des Géographes-ACG](#) and the [Association of Canadian Map Libraries and Archives-ACMLA / Association des Cartothèques et Archives Cartographiques du Canada-ACACC](#) on Ləkʷəŋən territory, also known as Victoria BC, on June 1-4, 2026 as we work together to wrestle with these issues, offer solutions, and take action.



Logo Purpose & Inspiration

The logo, by artist **Dahlila Charlie**, represents the spirit and theme of the upcoming conference: *Resilience*. Its design draws inspiration from local land, water, and Coast Salish visual language to honour place-based identity and community strength.

"I focused on themes of trees, land, water, interconnectedness, and salmon in a circular design symbolizing unity and the circle of life. This design reflects growth and generational strength, while the river's movement represents life's renewal amidst climate change, social inequity, and political disinformation. Like trees thriving together, we cultivate integrity and a growth mindset. The salmon symbolizes continuous cycles and the importance of respecting all life and land stewardship, connecting communities and sustaining ecosystems for a better future."

Symbolism & Breakdown

Circle:

Unity
(NAH'TSA'MAHT),
wholeness, and
balance

Trees:

Community,
rootedness, growth,
and collective
strength

Salmon:

Playfulness, strength,
protection, respect,
nurturing, and
guidance

River:

Life, renewal, and the
capacity to move
through challenges,
and continuity