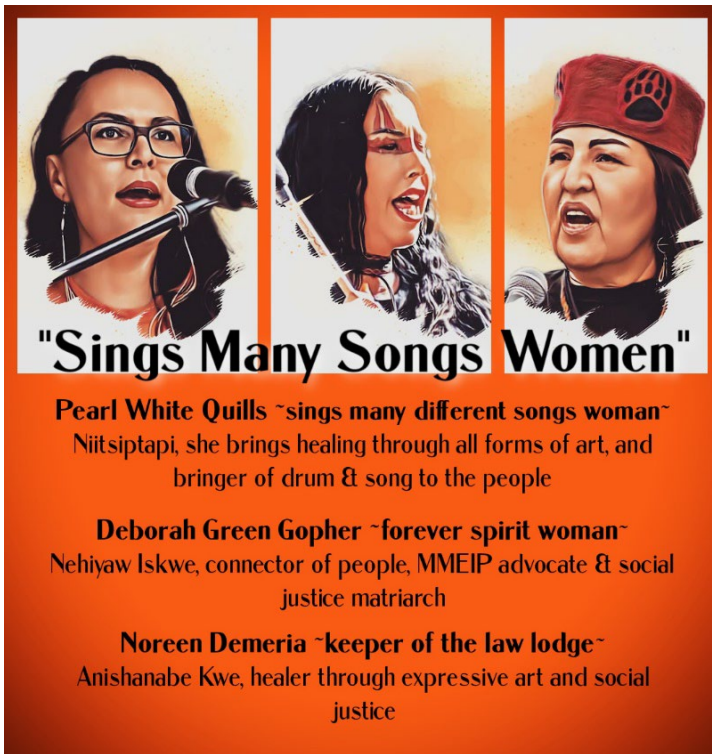


~ **Sings Many Songs Women** ~ **Women's Hand Drum & Songs Group**



Pearl White Quills is Niitsiptapi (Blackfoot) from Kainai and Siksika, a part of the Siksikaitsitapi (Blackfoot Confederacy) in Southern Alberta. Blessed with the name **Aa koa miyanist tsi`nih kiaki** (*Sings Many Different Songs Woman*). Her passion is expressed through all forms of art. Pearl is a pow wow dancer class teacher, beadwork artist, seamstress, and teaches traditional hand drumming and singing for youth, and women and many others.

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Noreen Demeria is Anishanabe Kwe from the Tootinaowaziibeng First Nation in Treaty 4 in Manitoba. She is known by the ancestors as **Kaniidabedng** (*Keeper of the Law Lodge*), **Mahkwa Doodem - (Bear Clan)**. Her passion is in Expressive Arts and she has utilized art to break through the residual effects of intergenerational trauma, challenged systemic barriers by helping people find a creative outlet. She has a strong belief in social justice and empowers people and community through their own creative voice.

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