

The South Island Education Committee presents

Breaking Free:

A History of Institutionalization of People with Disabilities in BC and Canada and the Emergence of the Community Living Movement

with Fred Ford & Peter Bourne

Supports for people with intellectual disabilities have emerged from a long and complicated history of fear and oppression, charitable beliefs, pseudo-science, human rights, and economic priorities. Join us in a conversation about the history, values, and beliefs that guide our movement and are vital to sustaining ourselves – and the vision of community living for all citizens.

Fred Ford has more than five decades of experience working in community living and social services fields including roles as a service provider, administrator, educator, researcher, and advocate.

Peter Bourne is a self-taught musician, active community volunteer, and disability rights advocate. Peter has lived in institutions and feels strongly that all people with disabilities should be supported to live in their own homes in the community.

For 16 years, Peter and Fred were BC's representatives on the National Task Force on Deinstitutionalization.

MAY 29, 2025

9:00AM TO 12:00PM

Doors open at 8:30am

Esquimalt Gorge Pavilion
1070 Tillicum Rd



COST: \$25

Includes a mid morning nutrition break.

REGISTRATION:

Register by
Monday May 19th

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