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University of Lethbridge highlights for the week of May 30 to June 5

The University of Lethbridge has a number of events lined up this week that may be of interest to your readers, viewers and listeners. Members of the media who are interested in covering these events are encouraged to contact the individual event organizer directly.

Opening Reception — Imagined Space Wednesday, June 1, 9 to 10:30 a.m., Main Gallery, W600

Imagined Space, curated by David Smith, will feature abstract artworks of the Canadian Prairies from the U of L art collection. The exhibit will be on display until Thursday, Aug. 18 at 8:30 p.m.

Contact: Art Gallery, artgallery@uleth.ca

First Nations, Métis and Inuit Student Convocation Wednesday, June 1, 6 p.m., Students' Union Ballrooms

The accomplishments of graduating FNMI students will be celebrated at a mini-powwow and an eagle feather presentation.

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Spring 2016 Convocation Ceremonies

Thursday and Friday, June 2 and 3, 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., 1st Choice Savings Centre Family and friends will be celebrating the accomplishments of 1,452 students during convocation ceremonies. The ceremony is the capstone of students' educational experiences, rich with tradition and symbolism, and a formal recognition of students' achievements. This year marks the last ceremonies for Chief Marshal Sheila McManus; she will be handing over the University Mace to a new chief marshal at the end of the last ceremony.

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First Friday Lunch & Listen Concert Series — Romancing the Guitar Friday, June 3, 12:15 to 1 p.m., Casa, ATB Financial Community Room

This concert features the talents of Jason Barron, a faculty member with the U of L Music Conservatory.

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Strings Festival — U of L Conservatory of Music

Saturday, June 4, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., various locations, U of L Centre for the Arts

Strings players of all ages will be on campus for master classes, private lessons and technique classes. The festival is a day-long immersive experience for strings players and gives them access to the facilities and rehearsal spaces U of L music students use and the opportunity to spend the day with strings experts.

Contact: U of L Music Conservatory, 403-329-2304, music.conservatory@uleth.ca

Culture Vulture Saturdays — Marvelous Fingerprints Saturday, June 4, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Centre for the Arts, Atrium

Finger painting and drawing give everyone the chance to get downright messy without having to worry about the cleanup.

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