



### KEYNOTE SPEAKER: LEA ELDER

Lea was inducted into the burn community after she and her brother were burned in a house fire as children. At first Lea thought she and her brother were the worst burned people alive until James Bosch invited them to a burn camp. This burn camp inspired her and changed her perspective on living with burns. Lea is currently serving as the President of the Board of Directors of the Alisa Ann Ruch Burn Foundation in California.

Lea graduated with her Bachelor's in Biology, Anatomy and Physiology from the California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo and then eventually went back to school to obtain her Bachelor's in Nursing from Samuel Merritt University. Lea works as a Registered Nurse in a Burn Unit and an Emergency Department in San Jose, California.



### ABOUT US

We are a registered charity dedicated to supporting burn survivors, their families and caregivers by providing education, financial, and psycho-social support.

### CONTACT US

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THEME:

“Small Steps,  
Big Impact”

BURN SURVIVOR  
CONFERENCE



October 20 and 21, 2023

Canad Inns Polo Park Hotel  
1405 St Matthews Ave  
Winnipeg, MB

## PLEASE RSVP / REGISTER

EMAIL: [registration@mamingwey.ca](mailto:registration@mamingwey.ca)

## STAYING OVERNIGHT

A special room rate of \$149 per night is available. Please call the hotel at 204-775-8791 and quote group ID #301438. Room rate guaranteed to September 18, 2023.

## FEES

### Burn Survivors, family members, friends:

Friday only - \$15.00

Saturday only - \$25.00

Friday & Saturday - \$35.00

### Health care professionals and firefighters:

Friday only - \$25.00

Saturday only - \$35.00

Friday & Saturday - \$55.00

\* This conference is sponsored, and fees do not reflect actual costs to attend.

\* Registration is also available at the door. Cash, cheque or e-transfer to [barb@mamingwey.ca](mailto:barb@mamingwey.ca) will be accepted.

## PROGRAM

### Friday, October 20

\*Please come fed - no lunch provided

12:00 noon - Registration opens

1:15 - Welcome

1:30 - Keynote: Lea Elder  
"The Butterfly Effect... How Conversation Can Alter a Life"

2:30 - Session: TBD

3:15 - Coffee/snack break

3:30 - Session: Grace O'Farrell,  
"Microaggression"

4:30 - Sharing Circles:  
Survivors; Family and Friends;  
Health Care/Firefighters

5:30 - Wrap Up

7:00 - Hospitality Suite

Babysitting is available during the sessions, please email [barb@mamingwey.ca](mailto:barb@mamingwey.ca) to arrange.

Please note there will be a Silent Auction



## PROGRAM

### Saturday, October 21

8:15 am - Registration opens

8:30 - Breakfast

9:00 - Welcome

9:15 - Keynote: Lea Elder,  
"The Opportunity for Growth"

10:15 - Break

10:35 - Panel Discussion

11:45 - Group Photo

12:00 noon - Lunch

1:00 pm - Session: Dr. Natalie Mota  
"The Effects of Trauma"

2:00 - Session: TBD

3:00 - Break

3:15 - Sharing Circles:  
Survivors; Family and Friends;  
Health Care/Firefighters

4:30 - Wrap-up

5:30 - Cash Bar

6:00 - Dinner

7:00 - Entertainment

- Silent Auction Draw

