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Robbie Robertson to Receive Six Nations of the Grand River Lifetime Achievement Award

(Ohsweken, ON) A guitar player since the age of ten, Robbie Robertson was born in 1943 and holds roots in the Six Nations and Jewish communities. Throughout his musical career Robertson has played with industry stars such as Ronnie Hawkins and Bob Dylan.

Over the course of several studio albums recorded with Rock and Roll Hall of Fame's "The Band" Robertson has penned countless musical classics including "Up on Cripple Creek," "The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down," and more. Since The Band's farewell concert in 1976 he has also created music for many Martin Scorsese films such as "Raging Bull" and "The Colour of Money," as well as working with Dreamworks as a creative executive.

Robertson has released five solo albums and been the subject of a PBS documentary called "Making a Noise". In 1980 he produced and co-starred in the movie "Carny". In Canada he has won several Juno awards, been inducted into the Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame, been made an Officer of the Order of Canada, and received the Governor General's Performing Arts Award.

For his lifetime of achievements Robertson has been presented with awards by the Grammy's, the National Academy of Songwriters, and the Native American Music Awards. As a member of the community, Six Nations of the Grand River will also be honouring him with a Lifetime Achievement Award presented by the Six Nations Elected Council.

"We are truly excited to recognize and honour Robbie's many accomplishments," said Chief Ava Hill. "He is truly an inspiration to many artists."

The award will be presented starting 2pm on October 14, 2017 at the new Six Nations Convention Centre (2593 Chiefswood Rd, Ohsweken, ON). All are welcome and encouraged to attend this free event.

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Six Nations of the Grand River is the most populated First Nation within Canada, with more than 26,000 members. Located in Southwestern Ontario, between Brantford, Caledonia, and Hagersville, it is the only First Nation in North America wherein all six Haudenosaunee nations – Mohawk, Oneida, Cayuga, Seneca, Onondaga and Tuscarora – live together. Six Nations Elected Council is committed to building a strong, prosperous and healthy community through key investments in community priorities, including infrastructure, education, health, culture and land rights. Follow Six Nations Elected Council on Facebook or Twitter @SixNationsEC

