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## SITTING BULL, SA VIE, SON HERITAGE (HIS LIFE AND LEGACY) BY ERNIE LAPOINTE

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While growing up Ernie LaPointe's Mother told him not to tell others about his Relationship to Sitting Bull. Before his Mother's Death he was told that a Day might come when it will be important for him to set the Record Straight about his Great-Grandfather, Sitting Bull. In 1992, Ernie spoke Publicly about Sitting Bull's Direct Blood Descendants by speaking at the Induction of Sitting Bull into the Hall of Fame of American Indian Chiefs at Anadarko, Oklahoma. Ernie LaPointe then began writing a Book "Sitting Bull : His Life and Legacy" and speaking to Audiences throughout the Country and Abroad about his Great-Grandfather.

The Sitting Bull Family Foundation (SBFF) is a Nonprofit Corporation founded by LaPointeand its Mission is to offer the Accurate Oral History of Sitting Bull through Storytelling, by sharing his Exemplary Cultural and Spiritual Way of Life, and to awaken Cultural Awareness in the Traditional Lakota Way of Life.

Mr. LaPointe, Author of the Book, "Sitting Bull: His Life and Legacy" (2009) and the Producer of the Documentary Film, "Sitting Bull's Voice" (2013), shares his Lakota Cultural Perspective on both the History of Human Relationships with the Natural World and the Precarious Future facing the Human Race if it does not heed the Wisdom of the Ancient Knowledge carefully curated by the First Nation Peoples and make Changes in order to "Live in Tune with Mother Earth."

"Sitting Bull, Sa Vie, Son Héritage" is the French Version (Now Published in France by Flammarion Editions) of the Famous Book by Ernie Lapointe published in United States of America in 2009 by Gibbs Smith.

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