



**Pakoshayimoohk
/Hope, in steel**

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(A sonnet for the lonely beadworker's heart)

Diet Coke Can, size 10
beaded in
colour-lined Czech seed beads,
with a mixture of vintage and modern size 8
white-hearts
complemented (she thinks)
by modern matte seed beads, size 11
and metallic finishes to evoke
an aluminum can.

Split-stitch embroidery in

steel
grey
curves
from
west
to
east.



Hope, rises.

¹ Hope, in Michif.

Biography

Danielle Lussier, Red River Métis, is mum to three young people growing up as members of the Métis diaspora. An award-winning administrator, professor, researcher, and change leader, she is a passionate advocate and community builder who believes there is room for love and humanity in ethical education.

She holds a Bachelor of Laws, a Bachelor of Civil Law of Quebec, a Master of Laws, and a PhD in Law. Dr. Lussier served as Indigenous Learner Advocate and Director of Community and Indigenous Relations at the University of Ottawa's Faculty of Law from 2018–2022. She now serves as the inaugural Associate Vice-Principal, Indigenous Knowledges and Learning, at the Royal Military College of Canada, as a Fellow of the Institute of Intergovernmental Relations at Queen's University, and as a professor cross-appointed to Queen's Faculty of Law.
