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This volume is dedicated to the memory of Leo Semenovich Berg

Logo design by William E. Bemis inspired by the holarctic distribution of sturgeons and paddlefishes

Numae is Anishnabe for sturgeon, a painting by the Chippewas of Nawash artist Adrian Nadjiwon of Cape Croker, Lake Huron: “In the painting I wanted to depict the balance that one existed between my ancestors and the sturgeon (the sturgeon being symbolic of all the fish species that the Old People subsisted on) with the fishing line symbolising a spiritual link and balancing point between the man and the sturgeon” (1992).