



Canada Day: Learning and engaging with Indigenous communities

**Educational resources
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As National Indigenous History Month comes to an end, and amid ongoing efforts toward reconciliation, many people are asking the question: How can I or my organization celebrate Canada Day while respecting the communities that have been harmed throughout Canadian history? July 1st offers an opportunity to acknowledge, educate, remember, and take action. We have compiled a broad range of resources to inspire you to consider your own role in reconciliation this Canada Day. If you are interested in learning more, you can review our educational guides on [Indigenous inclusion \(PDF\)](#) and [Indigenous History Month](#).

Perspectives to consider

Bilingual

- [Indigenous perspectives on Canada Day / Perspectives autochtones sur la fête du Canada](#), Senate of Canada

English only

- [As an Indigenous person, Canada Day celebrates the start of the worst days of our oppression](#), Toronto Star
- [Can We Celebrate Canada Day Respectfully?](#) University of Guelph
- [Canada Day: A time for reflection](#), Native Child and Family Services of Toronto
- [Cancel Canada Day](#), Idle No More
- [Indigenous leaders call for Canada Day reflection](#), The Globe and Mail
- [This Canada Day, settler Canadians should think about Indigenous nations and 'land back'](#), TVO
- [Why you shouldn't be celebrating Canada Day - and what to do instead](#), The Indigenous Foundation

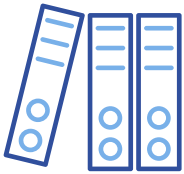
French only

- [« Avoir une célébration, ce n'est pas correct »](#), La Presse
- [Des solutions de rechange à la fête du Canada en solidarité avec les Autochtones](#), Radio-Canada
- [Pensionnats autochtones : une fête du Canada boycottée ou huée](#), l-express.ca
- [Plusieurs personnes ne célébreront pas la Fête du Canada, par respect pour les Autochtones](#), noovo moi

Things to do

- Donate to [Indigenous charities](#).
 - Support Indigenous Works' [Kocihta Charity](#) (Charity #846394922).
- Request a [KAIROS Blanket Exercise](#) for your organization.
- Learn the history of [the land you live on](#) and the [closest residential schools](#).
- Support Indigenous arts:
 - [Indigenous Art at the National Gallery of Canada](#), Ottawa, ON
 - [Indigenous Art Centre](#), Gatineau, QC
 - [Indigenous Arts Collective of Canada](#)
 - [McMichael Canadian Art Collection](#), Kleinburg, ON
 - [The Museum of Anthropology](#), Vancouver, BC
 - [WAG-Qaumajuq](#), Winnipeg, MB

Other resources



ARTICLES, REPORTS, AND TOOLS

Bilingual

- [Indigenous Ally Toolkit / Trousse d'outils pour les alliées aux lutes autochtones](#), Montreal Indigenous Community NETWORK
- [Indigenous history in Canada / Histoire autochtone](#), Government of Canada
- [Whose Land Is It Anyway? A Manual For Decolonization / Après tout, à qui appartient cette terre? Un guide pour la décolonisation](#), Federation of Post-Secondary Educators of BC
- [Residential School History / Histoire des pensionnats autochtones](#), National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation
- [Residential Schools in Canada / Pensionnats indiens au Canada](#), The Canadian Encyclopedia
- [The Road to Reconciliation / La Commission de vérité et réconciliation](#), Indigenous People's Atlas of Canada, Canadian Geographic



BOOKS

CCDI encourages you to check with your local bookstore or municipal library for availability of these publications.

Bilingual

- [#IndigenousReads](#) / [#LecturesAutochtones](#) (Government of Canada)
- 77 Fragments of a Familiar Ruin / Fragments d'un monde en ruine (Thomas King)
- A Short History of Indians in Canada / Une brève histoire des Indiens au Canada (Thomas King}
- First Peoples in Canada / Premiers Peuples au Canada (Alan D. McMillan, Eldon Yellowhorn)
- Five Little Indians / Cinq petits Indiens (Michelle Good)
- This Wound is a World / Cette blessure est un territoire (Billy-Ray Belcourt)

English only

- 21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act (Bob Joseph)
- Blanket Toss Under Midnight Sun (Paul Seesequasis)
- Indigenous Relations: Insights, Tips & Suggestions to Make Reconciliation a Reality (Bob Joseph)
- Our Story: Aboriginal Voices on Canada's Past (various authors)
- Peace and Good Order (Harold R. Johnson)
- Price Paid: The Fight for First Nations Survival (Bev Sellars)
- Seven Fallen Feathers (Tanya Talaga)
- The North-West is Our Mother (Jean Teillet)
- Treaty # (Armand Garnet Ruffo)
- Written as I Remember it - Teachings (ʔəms taʔaw) from the Life of a Sliammon Elder (Elsie Paul, with Davis McKenzie, Paige Raibmon, Harmony Johnson)

French only

- Linge Brisée (Katherena Vermette)
- La force de marcher (Wab Kinew)
- Manikanetish (Naomi Fontaine)
- 5 histoires de personnalités autochtones inspirantes (Michel Noël)
- Nous sommes des histoires (anthologie)



FILM AND TELEVISION

Please note: There may be a cost related to watching this content and CCDI is not responsible for those costs.

Bilingual

- [Indigenous Made Film Catalogue / Films de production autochtone](#) (Reel Canada)
- [Angry Inuk / Inuk en colère](#) (National Film Board of Canada)
- [Atanarjuat: The Fast Runner / Atanarjuat : La légende de l'homme rapide](#) (Netflix)
- [Before Tomorrow / Le Jour avant le lendemain](#) (Netflix, [Amazon Prime Video - EN](#), [Amazon Prime Video - FR](#))
- [Blocus 138 — Innu Resistance / Blocus 138 - La Résistance innue](#) (YouTube)
- [Fighter \(La Battante\)](#) (Vimeo)
- [Indian Horse / Cheval Indien](#) (Netflix, ICI TOU.TV)
- [Kanehsatake: 270 Years of Resistance / Kanehsatake, 270 ans de resistance](#) (National Film Board of Canada)
- [Maïna / Maïna \(FR\)](#) (Available for purchase on DVD)
- [Mohawk Girls / Belles, fières et mohawks](#) (APTN)
- [nîpawistamâsowin: We Will Stand Up / nîpawistamâsowin: Nous nous lèverons](#) (National Film Board of Canada)
- [Rhymes for Young Ghouls / Rimes pour revenants](#) (Netflix, [Amazon Prime](#))
- [The Invisible Nation / Le peuple invisible](#) (National Film Board of Canada)
- [The People of the Kattawapiskak River / Le peuple de la rivière Kattawapiskak](#) (National Film Board of Canada)

English only

- [RUMBLE: The Indians Who Rocked the World](#) (Netflix)
- [The Body Remembers When the World Broke Open](#) (Amazon Prime, [Crave](#))
- [The Secret Path](#) (YouTube)

French only

- [Innu Nikamu : chanter la résistance](#) (CinÉcole)



TED TALKS

Please note: French links are for the original Ted Talk with French subtitles and/or French transcript.

English only

- [Breaking the Silence surrounding Canada's Indigenous Crisis](#) (Qajaq Robinson)
- [Canada's State of Emergency](#) (Pamela Palmater)
- [Forgotten Narrative: the First Nations Reality](#) (Diane Hill)
- [It's Time to Re-imagine Canada's 'nice' Identity](#) (Riley Yesno)
- [Truth and Reconciliation](#) (Kevin Lamoureux)



PODCASTS

Bilingual

- [Residential Schools Podcast Series / Série de baladodiffusion Pensionnats indiens](#)

English only

- [All My Relations](#)
- [APTN Podcasts](#)
- [Canadaland](#)
- [Coffee with My Ma](#)
- [Indigenous Voices](#)
- [MediaINDIGENA](#)
- [Métis in Space](#)
- [Missing & Murdered: Finding Cleo](#)
- [Native Opinion](#)
- [New Fire with Lisa Charleyboy](#)
- [Our Native Land](#)
- [RAVEN \(De\)Briefs](#)
- [Reclaimed](#)
- [Red Man Laughing](#)
- [Secret Life of Canada](#)
- [Telling Our Twisted Histories](#)
- [The Henceforward](#)
- [The Red Nation](#)
- [This Land](#)
- [Toasted Sister](#)
- [Unreserved](#)
- [Warrior Life](#)



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