

Literacy Dates

Poetry Month - April
NWT Literacy Week - April 19-25
National Volunteer Week - April 19-25
World Book and Copyright Day - April 23

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Blog



Three Reasons You Need Ceremony

The world is going through a viral pandemic, and every day still feels surreal. You may feel lost. Ceremony can help you move through changes, challenges, time and space. Ceremony is the act of ritual for a greater purpose...[Read more](#)

Announcements and Events

NWT Literacy Week virtual events

NWT Literacy Council is moving NWT Literacy Week online and hosting virtual events this year. Follow [our website](#) and [Facebook](#) for details of our daily events, including challenges, Facebook Live events, contests, and more!

Stay Away but Keep in Touch Contest

Write and submit your story about keeping in touch with seniors while keeping away from them physically. There will be prizes for three entries. Please email stories to ed@seniorsnwt.ca by May 8. See more information [here](#).

Online courses for nonprofits at a discounted rate

Charity Village has 13 courses including board governance, budgeting, strategic planning, and volunteer management. There's special pricing until April 30 (single course \$10 off with promo code: COURSE10). See more [here](#).

Funding

Canada's COVID-19 Economic Response Plan: Support for Canadians and Businesses

This page from the Government of Canada includes information on income support for individuals who need it most and mortgage default management tools. Please see more information from the Department of Finance [here](#).

GNWT Community Literacy Development Fund

This fund provides financial assistance to community organizations to develop and deliver local programs that will increase literacy skills and raise awareness of the importance of literacy. See more details [here](#).

Collaborating for Inclusion of Older Adults

This four-year project aims to decrease social isolation of seniors and elders by building connections through activities and community engagement in 10 NWT communities. Application deadline is May 22, 2020. See more [here](#).

News, Research, Opinion

Faster tests, a key to easing NWT restrictions, due in 2 to 4 weeks

At a Wednesday news conference, NWT medical director Dr Sarah Cook said the territory was still awaiting two new types of devices that can deliver test results on-site within an hour. Under the territory's current...[Read more](#)

Here's how the NWT can cut greenhouse gas emissions faster and cheaper

The Northwest Territories can reduce its greenhouse gas emissions faster and cheaper than its current plan, according to a feasibility study commissioned by Alternatives North. The study, released Wednesday to coincide...[Read more](#)

NWT's first COVID-19 patient tells their story from test to recovery

The Northwest Territories' first COVID-19 patient felt threatened by online comments demanding to know more about them and thinks it's "a miracle" the disease did not spread further. The patient – who remains...[Read more](#)

Spotlight on Adult Educators



Susan Siddorn, Fort Resolution

Aurora College's Adult Educator in Fort Resolution, Susan Siddorn, taught in several communities in all three territories before joining the Aurora College faculty. She has earned several credentials, including a Certificate in Teaching English as a Second Language from the University of Saskatchewan, a Certificate in Continuing and Adult Education from the University of Alberta, a Certificate in Sustainable Development from the University of Winnipeg and a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Manitoba. As an instructor, and avid learner herself, Susan is deeply passionate about helping others reach their full potential.

Resources and Websites

Poetry resources

[English 120 - Poetry \(NWT Literacy Council\)](#)

[English 130 - Poetry \(NWT Literacy Council\)](#)

[English 140 - Poetry \(NWT Literacy Council\)](#)

[Modern & Contemporary American Poetry \(Coursera\)](#)



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