

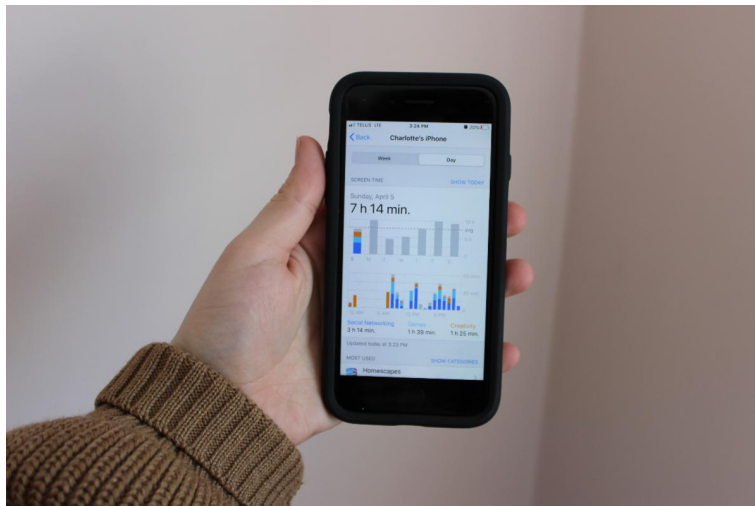
Literacy Dates

Poetry Month - April

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Blog



Screen time guilt during a pandemic

It's been over a month since most of us have been working from home. On top of that, many families have children at home from school and university doing online schooling or learning. We at the Literacy Council are...[Read more](#)

Announcements and Events

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](#).

Games and activities for youth with Beth Hudson

Aboriginal Sport Circle NWT is hosting games and activities for families and kids who are 12 years and older on May 1 at 3:00 pm. This free event will take place online. See the Facebook event page [here](#) and their full list of events [here](#).

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](#).

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

Their world shifted by a pandemic, northern youth find they have time

Ali McConnell is the project director for Northern Youth Leadership, an organization for youth development. To help fight COVID-19 blues, McConnell and her organization launched a campaign that profiles different...[Read more](#)

Students who collect emergency COVID-19 aid must attest they're looking for work

Students who collect emergency financial aid will be required to confirm that they're looking for summer work and will be connected with a government job

bank to help employers struggling with shortages of labour...[Read more](#)

NWT unveils 'emerge stronger' plan for economic recovery

Premier Caroline Cochrane and her Industry and Finance Ministers briefed MLAs about the plan, dubbed Emerge Stronger, at the same time as the NWT's Chief Public Health Officer told reporters more news on easing...[Read more](#)

Spotlight on Adult Educators



Elizabeth Kiy, Ulukhaktok

Elizabeth Kiy, the Community Adult Educator at Aurora College's Ulukhaktok Learning Centre, holds a Bachelor of Journalism from Carleton University and a Bachelor of Education in Adult Education from Brock University. In this role, she teaches adult literacy and basic education, employment skills course and other special interest courses.

Prior to joining the College, she worked in restaurant management and supervision as well as for the Halton Region Health Department in Ontario and the Privy Council Office for the federal government in Ottawa. Her professional interests include resiliency in education, Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR), indigenizing education and individually focused learning. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, writing and relaxing with craft projects.

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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