

June 13, 2019

## Literacy Dates

National Indigenous History Month - June

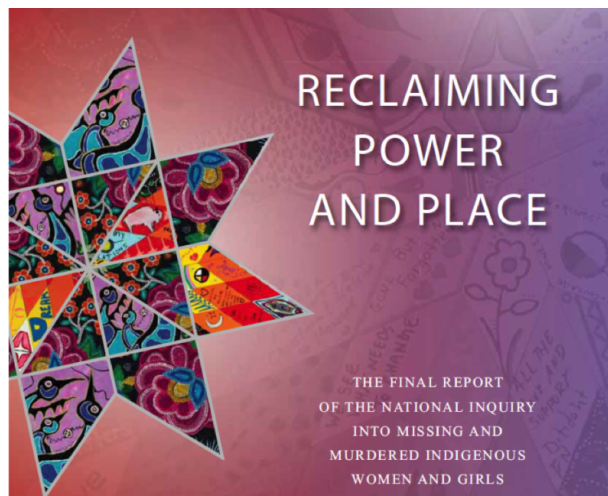
Senior Citizens' Month - June

National Indigenous Peoples Day - June 21

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## Blog



### The role of educators in helping and healing

Many of us in the north took a collective deep breath at the release last week of the report of the National Inquiry into Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women and Girls. The report lays out what Indigenous people and our allies have understood for a long time...[Read more](#)



## Announcements and Events

### Activities to connect newcomers in June

Our Community Connections program is organizing [Speak English Cafes](#) tonight and June 20. There will be a [Ladies-Only Swim](#) on Saturday evening, June 15 in Yellowknife at the Ruth Inch Pool.

### Children's book contest deadline soon

The South Slave Divisional Education Council [Children's Storybook Contest](#) deadline is June 30. All NWT residents are welcome to submit entries. The prize is \$500 and publication of your book in three languages. For information or to submit your entry contact [spruys@ssdec.nt.ca](mailto:spruys@ssdec.nt.ca)

### Call for nominations to the Culture and Heritage Circle

The [Minister's Culture and Heritage Circle Award](#) honours the efforts of residents who work to strengthen the arts, cultures, and heritage of the Northwest Territories. The deadline for nominations is July 31.



## Funding

### Help NWT women get elected

The Yellowknife Community Foundation has a new grant program called the [Get Her Elected Fund](#). Grants from the fund will be awarded to non-partisan organizations working towards greater representation of women in political leadership. The deadline to apply is June 30.

### Apply for a youth community service grant

[TakingITGlobal](#) is looking for young people with ideas and who are ready to take action through youth-led community service projects. Grants range from \$250 to \$1,500. Apply by June 30.



## News, Research, Opinion

### Recent research about fathers for Father's Day

Even in two-parent mother-father families, fathers are more involved in child care than before. These societal changes made researchers consider the diversity of fathers and how their increased role in child rearing contributes to children's positive development...[Read more](#)

## Researching the mental and physical health benefits of learning one's language as an adult

Margaret Erasmus has had a lifelong thirst for language and culture. As a young girl, Erasmus assisted her mother, who taught classes in French...[Read more](#)

## Is French immersion creating a two-tier education system?

Does French immersion create a two-tier education system in which privileged kids learn French while newcomers and students with learning challenges wind up in English-only programs? It's a controversial question the Ottawa-Carleton District School Board is now exploring...[Read more](#)

## NWT authors doing so much, it's 'impossible to keep up'

One of the Northwest Territories' leading authors believes literature in the NWT is operating at its most promising level in many years. Fort Smith writer Richard Van Camp told Cabin Radio: "I think we're living in a time where it's almost impossible, now, to keep up with who's publishing and who has a book deal."...[Read more](#)

## The urgent need for media literacy in an age of annihilation

From fictitious organizations posting polarizing messages on Facebook to robustly researched news stories being labelled "fake," the pervasive power and importance of the media are clear. And yet what is most concerning is the lack of stories about how to thoughtfully address the situation through media regulation and education...[Read more](#)



# Resources and Websites

## 10 editing tips

[To make you a better writer](#)

## National Indigenous history month

[Quiz](#)

## The skills a child really needs

[Before kindergarten](#)

## Six new Indigenous books

[For younger readers](#)



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