

## Literacy Dates

International Pride Month - June  
National Indigenous History Month - June  
Canadian Environment Week - June 1-5  
World Refugee Day - June 20

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## Blog



### Taking Family Literacy to the Garden

With the weather changing and signs of summer on the horizon, my family is excited to be out in our gardens. My husband and I both grew up growing food

on our family farms, and love sharing this with our children. At...[Read more](#)

## Announcements and Events

### Free Virtual Full Strawberry Moon Meditation Hosted by Radiance M-bodied Yoga and Collective Soul Space

Join Maureen this evening, Thursday, June 4 at 7:30 p.m. to celebrate the energy of the Full Strawberry Moon. If you require a copy of the mantra, please [email](#) before June 4. See the full details on the event's Facebook page [here](#).

### FOXY and SMASH Peer Leader Retreats

For youth living in the NWT, aged 13-17. Learn about sexual and mental health using art and on the land learning over 9 days. All expenses paid (including travel). Please [email](#), text 867-444-9108, or apply online ([FOXY](#), [SMASH](#)).

### Indigenous Knowledge Holders on Safe Connection to Water

NWTRPA and Mackenzie Recreation Association are hosting this free event. Registration in advance is required. Click "Interested" or "Going" to this event to get updated when the registration information is posted. See more [here](#).

## Funding

### GNWT - ITI Entrepreneur Support (SEED)

NWT businesses and entrepreneurs are eligible for up to \$25,000 per year to help with startup funding, capital asset acquisition, market and product development, and more. See the full details on the fund's page [here](#).

### Land is Life and Snowchange Grants for Indigenous Peoples

Applications are now open for Indigenous grassroots organizations, communities, leaders and individuals. Each grant is maximum 5000 USD. See more information on their page [here](#) and [email them](#) for applications.

### Queer Kid Stuff Remote Learning Social Justice Course

The Rainbow Coalition of Yellowknife wants to pay for up to eight children to take this course. See more information on the course's website [here](#) and check out RCYK's post [here](#) to learn about how they can support you and your family.

## News, Research, Opinion

### Why music comforts us during trying times

Sometimes it's hard to pinpoint exactly why you love a song. Maybe it's because

of the screeching guitar solo at the bridge, or the shivering harmony throughout. Or maybe it's because of the person behind the music...[Read more](#)

### **Wanted: second-hand computers for NWT students**

Kirby Marshall knows outside of the larger, urban centres in the North, not only is access to the internet limited — so is access to computers. When COVID-19 hit, Marshall said it was clear to him that schools would...[Read more](#)

### **Dehcho leaders say pandemic intensifies food insecurity, but inspires solutions**

As countries across the globe grapple with stressed food supply chains due to COVID-19-related shut-downs, some communities in the Northwest Territories are seeing potential for more local food production. Communities...[Read more](#)

## **Spotlight on Adult Educators**



### **Tatiana Frederickson, Aklavik**

Currently the Aurora College Community Adult Educator in Aklavik, Tatiana Frederickson received her Master of Education in Teaching English as a Second Language from Omsk State Pedagogical University in Russia and also holds an Immigration Consultant Diploma from Herzing College. She is a founder and director of a Russian-German cultural and educational non-profit organization located in Steinbach, Manitoba.

In 2013, while still in Russia, Tatiana embarked on her first Canadian teaching experience as an online e-Tutor volunteer. Later, as a landed immigrant, in 2015, she became the e-Volunteer Coordinator. This experience has helped her innovate by incorporating instructional technologies in class settings and to develop professional webinars for ESL instructors. Tatiana was nominated for the poet of the year in Russia in 2013 and also won a second prize for the best translation of English poetry into the Russian language, presented by the British Council. She likes travelling, cooking and writing short stories.

Tatiana is a lifelong learner whose passion for teaching has tailored many of

her interests and goals. She strives to make the most out of her own immigration experience by supporting others on their way to their success. She is passionate about educational leadership, professional growth and organizational change.

## Resources and Websites

### Resources for the month of June

[National Indigenous Peoples Day: 10 ways to celebrate \(ICT Inc.\)](#)

[When to start your seeds and other germination information \(NFTI\)](#)

[Handouts, brochures, and toolkits \(Rainbow Coalition of Yellowknife\)](#)



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