

Literacy This Week

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Literacy Dates

Learning at Work Week - May 18-24 Canadian Environment Week - June 1-5 National Indigenous History Month - June

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Blog



Camping Without Leaving Home

With the long weekend passed, many of us were left wishing we could go camping as we have so often in the past. Unfortunately, with the parks closed it is not as easy (as if getting the family organized and out to a park...<u>Read more</u>

Announcements and Events

NWT recreation leaders hangout call by NWTRPA

Recreation leaders, youth centre staff, on-the-land leaders, volunteers, coaches, and anyone else involved in recreation is invited to <u>this call</u> on May 22 from 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. If you cannot call long-distance please <u>contact Amanda</u>.

Understanding online exploitation - a workshop for caring adults

Sexual Assault Support Centre of Waterloo Region welcomes you to learn about exploitation in the digital age and ways to broach this difficult topic with youth in your life. Takes place online May 29 1:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m. See more <u>here.</u>

Imagining Indigenous worlds with unity - skins video game workshop by WAMP, IIF, and Dene Nahjo

In this 5-day workshop, participants will be introduced to environmental storytelling and its importance for narratives in video games. Deadline to register is today, May 21. Visit the page to register and to see more details <u>here</u>.

Funding

Creative Industries Economic Recovery Funding

The GNWT - ITI & ECE is providing special funding for film-and-arts-related initiatives. The deadline for applications is May 29 at 5:00 p.m. There is \$250,000 is available in total. Please see the full details <u>here.</u>

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 <u>here</u> and <u>email them</u> for applications.

Funding for Senior Citizens' Month and World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

NWT Seniors' Society would like to support those wishing to celebrate the contributions of older adults in your community. Access up to \$400 by sending in a form by May 31. Please see the application <u>here</u> and the guide <u>here</u>.

News, Research, Opinion

What's the NWT reading to get through a pandemic?

"Reading gives us some place to go when we have to stay where we are." Robyn Scott, president of the NWT's Northwords literary festival, has that mantra on a poster. This year, she is finding that poster more meaningful...<u>Read more</u>

Why on-the-land educators see opportunity in a global pandemic

Most students can identify with the feeling of looking wistfully out a classroom window on a sunny spring day. But for students in northern Canada, where so much of life revolves around being on the land, there's something...<u>Read more</u>

Let the children play: 4 reasons why play is vital during the coronavirus

Now that we're spending so much time at home, I predict that it won't be just our houseplants and pets that will thrive. Upending the tightly scheduled days of parents and children has provided more time for an activity that...<u>Read more</u>

Spotlight on Adult Educators



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Resources and Websites

Resources for home learning

<u>30 Ways to Support Literacy (NWT Literacy Council)</u> <u>21 Sensory Activities for Focus & Calm (Heart-Mind Online)</u> <u>School's Out Survival Guide: All About Birds! (Ecology North)</u>



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