

# Literacy This Week

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## Literacy Dates

Senior Citizens' Month - June

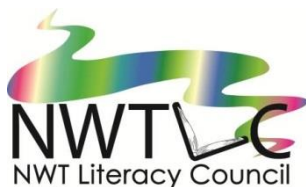
National Aboriginal Day - June 21

Canada Day - July 1

## Our Blog

### Congratulations adult learners

I was honoured to attend the recent Aurora College Developmental Studies completion ceremonies for some very impressive adult learners in Yellowknife...[Read more](#)



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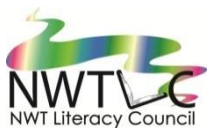
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learn more](#)

## Announcements and Events

### Young Canadians to tell Canada's future story

The [New Canada Conference](#) August 31 to September 3 will help celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Charlottetown Conference. The New Canada

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Conference is bringing together 100 19-24 year olds to produce an Idea Book concerning the choices, forces, and ideas that will shape Canada in the next 150 years. Applicants must apply with two references and a videotaped or written 'Your story of Canada'. The application deadline is July 15, 2014.

## Enter this northern writing contest

NorthWords is seeking entries to the 2014 [Great Northern Canada Writing Contest](#). Entries of fiction or non-fiction of up to 1,000 words will be accepted until September 1, 2014.



Katie and Aggie with the great folks who completed our Financial Literacy Workshop at the Aurora College community learning centre in Tuktoyaktuk this week.

## Basic Income Congress in Montreal

Registration is open for the [15th International Congress of the Basic Income Earth Network](#) in Montreal June 27 to 29. BIEN Congress 2014 aims to explore the role a universal and unconditional basic income could play in re-democratizing our economy.

## Funding

### Call for Aboriginal justice proposals

The Aboriginal Justice Directorate has project funding under the [Aboriginal Justice Strategy Capacity-Building Fund](#). This call for proposals has two priorities: build internal capacity and provide training for Aboriginal community justice programs; and build bridges, foster partnerships and seek opportunities for collaboration. The deadline for applications is June 30, 2014.

### Google for Nonprofits now available in Canada

Charities and nonprofits can apply for access to free Google Apps to cut IT costs, advertising on Google AdWords, and premium features for YouTube and mapping technologies to raise awareness of your cause. [Google for Nonprofits](#) partners with TechSoup Canada on this program.

## News and Research

### **Take a kid gardening program continues to grow**

A whole new crop of students in the South Slave Region is getting an opportunity grow and harvest local produce this summer thanks to the Department of Industry, Tourism and Investment's (ITI) Take a Kid Gardening Program...[Read more](#)

### **Do you talk about books you haven't read?**

*CBC Books, June 16, 2014*

Earlier this month, The New York Times published a piece called "Faking Cultural Literary." In it, writer Karl Taro Greenfeld admitted to faking knowledge and said that, thanks to modern technology, it's easier than ever to pretend to know things...[Read more](#)

### **Preschool daydreaming, lifelong learning**

The theme music to the preschool years is a seemingly never-ending chorus of "Why Mommy? Why? Mommy, why?" Young children are passionate explorers who seek out understanding and revel in the wonders of their world...[Read more](#)

### **Talk your way to the top**

Why old-school communication skills are the competitive edge new grads need...[Read more](#)

## Resources and Websites

### **Canadian Polar Commission**

[Polar knowledge app](#)

### **Accommodation works!**

[A user-friendly guide to working together on health issues in the workplace](#)

### **Children's choices**

[2014 reading list](#)

### **NWT Network**

[to prevent abuse of older adults](#)

### **Young adults in PIACC**

[What will the future skills distribution look like?](#)