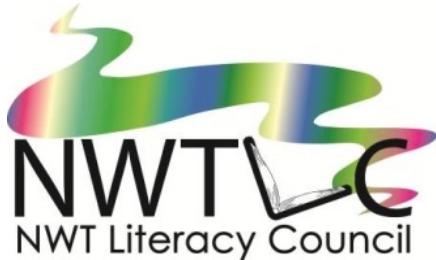


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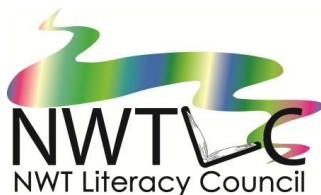
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Financial Literacy Month - November

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Our Blog

Trauma-informed practice essential for more than educators

Kim Barthel delivered a fascinating workshop last week on trauma-informed practice that could impact the work of everyone who attended, including the six of us from the NWT Literacy Council...[Read more](#)



Announcements and Events

Our trick or treaters get books

It's not too late to send a photo of your trick or treater. In return, we'll send a book. Send by email to charlotte@nwtliteracy.ca, or post for us on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram. Thanks to Vina Turner for posting this photo of Beauty and the Beast with Mrs Pots and Gaston. Deadline to send photos is November 6, 2017.

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NorthWords AGM and writing workshop

[NorthWords NWT](#) invites members and supporters to its annual general meeting this Saturday, November 4, 2017 at the Nunasi Building in Yellowknife. The meeting is at 1 pm. In the morning you can attend a Writing for Magazines workshop, delivered by author and editor, Laurie Sarkadi. You can register for the workshop at the Yellowknife Book Cellar.

New Indigenous writing contest has \$25,000 in prizes

The new Indigenous Voices Awards has \$25,000 in prizes in various categories, including one for Indigenous languages. The contest is sponsored by the [Indigenous Literacy Studies Association](#). The deadline to enter is January 31, 2018.

You've got a story, so write it down

The [Sally Manning Award for Indigenous creative non-fiction](#) helps strong Indigenous voices tell their own stories about the North, its land, and people. First prize is \$1,000 and publication in Up Here magazine. Deadline to enter is December 31, 2017.

Funding

Funding for on the land programs

The [NWT On The Land Collaborative](#) is accepting applications from communities, organizations, and individuals in the NWT with great ideas for on the land programs. The collaborative brings together government, charities, corporations, and other partners to make it easier for communities to access money and resources for on the land projects. The deadline to apply for funding is December 8, 2017.

Vote for a chance to win an author visit to your school

Readers between the ages of five and 12 have until November 19, 2017 to vote for their favourite book from among the nominees for the 2017 TD Canadian Children's Literature Award. The winner will be randomly selected from everyone who votes...[Read more](#)

How a kid who didn't read a book until he was 17 grew up to become a literary star

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