

Honouring Indigeneity

A collection of resources for our community to learn and grow together



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Honouring the Land

Sge:no/ Hello,

First, I acknowledge our Mother Earth for gifting us with the natural resources needed to gather together and share in these Indigenous teachings related to our Canadian experience of Truth and Reconciliation. We are currently gathered on the back of Turtle Island also known as Canada that is the original territory of the Mississauga's, Haudenosaunee and Anishinabe First People. These nations gathered in peace many moons ago to protect this land in an agreement called the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Agreement. May their actions of peace influence our choices in the present and positively impact our future.

Nya:weh/ many thanks to our ancestors for bringing us here, and providing us with the tools we need, may we continue to learn and grow from the many teachings our Indigenous communities have to offer us.

-Jaymieson



Teachings from our Acknowledgement

Creation Story: Indigenous creation stories are an essential element to better understanding the principles of one's culture and community. Each nation has their own specific details and characters that play a role in making the story come to life.

Knowing our Land's Ancestry: If you are interested to learn more about the history of the land you are on, the following link will show you the First People's gathering and name for this place.

<https://native-land.ca/>

Creating a Land Acknowledgement:

Understanding the key components of writing a land acknowledgement is a great way to get started on your Truth and Reconciliation journey. As per the (TRC) 94 Call to Actions, conducting a land acknowledgement should occur at ALL community gatherings.



Learning

Community Resources



NATIONAL CENTRE OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

Survivor Dialogue and Panel Discussion available on Friday September 30th, 2022

<https://nctr.ca/national-day-for-truth-and-reconciliation-survivor-stories-panel-discussion/>

FIRST NATIONS UNIVERSITY



A resource that supports professional development and on-line learning

<https://www.fnuniv.ca/>



RECONCILIATION EDUCATION

Resources available related to understanding the TRC's 94 Calls to Actions, finding books, articles and videos to support learning

<https://www.reconciliationeducation.ca/what-are-truth-and-reconciliation-commission-94-calls-to-action>



TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION (TRC)

The National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation's main website to review research and resources

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/truth-and-reconciliation-94-calls-to-action-1.3362258#:~:text=%E2%80%8BThe%20Truth%20and%20Reconciliation,and%20move%20forward%20with%20reconciliation.>



INDIGENOUS WAYS OF KNOWING DIALOGUE

YouTube videos where Indigenous Leaders discuss our relations with the natural environment and moving forward with Truth and Reconciliation in our communities.



learning through dialogue



On-line Resources



On-line learning has become a popular to continue to learn, understand and in some cases heal from our past.

The "Introduction to Understanding Indigenous Perspectives in Canada" is a sponsorship program between First Nations University and BMO that is FREE until December 2022.



Use the QR Code to Access the platform

YouTube pages to follow

National Centre of Truth and Reconciliation

CBC Kids News: Explains Land Acknowledgments, Indigenous History, and Truth and Reconciliation

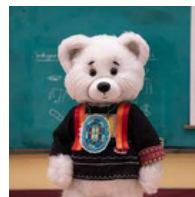
QueensUCanada: Aboriginal Teaching and Learning



Family-Friendly Resources



Use these resources to connect with the young people in your life about Truth and Reconciliation.



Meet Spirit Bear

<https://vimeo.com/518281693>



Watch a Spirit Bear Video

Why the Orange Shirt?



Contribution(s)

Consider making a contribution to one of the many Indigenous organizations that are working hard to create opportunities for learning and creating access for people living in Indigenous communities today.

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/explore/charities/category/indigenous-peoples/>