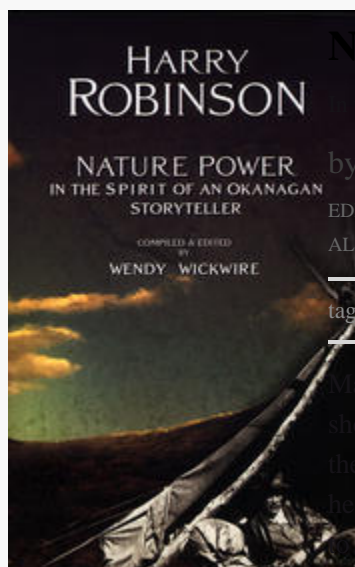


Indigenous Books From BC

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TAGGED: First Nations, BC, indigenous

Books by or about Indigenous peoples in BC.



Nature Power

In the Spirit of an Okanagan Storyteller

by Harry Robinson, edited by Wendy Wickwire

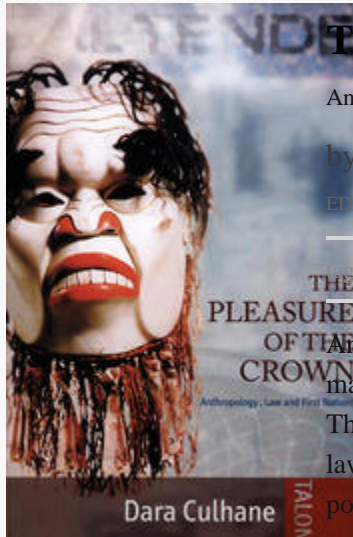
EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : cultural

Many of the stories in Harry Robinson's second collection feature the shoo-MISH, or "nature helpers" that assist humans and sometimes provide them with special powers. Some tell of individuals who use these powers to heal themselves; others tell of Indian doctors who have been given the power to heal others. Still others tell of power encounters: a woman "comes alive" after death; a boy meets a singing squirrel; a voice from nowhere predicts the future.

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The Pleasure of the Crown

Anthropology, Law and First Nations

by Dara Culhane

EDITION: Paperback

Tagged : cultural

Anthropologists have traditionally studied Europe's "others" and the marginalized and excluded within Europe's and North America's boundaries. This book turns the anthropologist's spyglass in the opposite direction: on the law, the institution that quintessentially embodies and reproduces Western power.

The Pleasure of the Crown offers a comprehensive look at how Canadian, particularly British Columbian, society "reveals itself" through its courtroom performances in Aboriginal tit ...

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THE PORCUPINE HUNTER
AND OTHER STORIES
THE ORIGINAL TSMISHIAN
TEXTS OF HENRY TATE



newly transcribed from the original
manuscripts and annotated
by Ralph Maud

The Porcupine Hunter and Other Stories

The Original Tsimshian Texts Of Henry Tate

Edited by Ralph Maud, by Henry W. Tate

EDITION: Paperback

Tagged : cultural

Henry W. Tate (d. 1914) was a Tsimshian informant to ethnographer Franz Boas. Tate first wrote these stories in English before giving Boas the Tsimshian equivalent during the decade of 1903-1913. Boas published the stories in the much-consulted classic of ethnology, *Tsimshian Mythology*, in 1916. Through Ralph Maud's selection of the best of Tate's original stories, we can see the actual creative writer behind Boas' revised texts, now preserved much closer to the way Tate originally intended ...

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Chris Arnett

The Terror of the Coast

Land Alienation and Colonial War on Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands, 1849-1863

by Chris Arnett

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : pre-confederation (to 1867), british columbia (bc), non-classifiable

On April 20, 1863, the British naval gunboat *Forward* attacked a Native village on Kuper Island. The naval officers believed that the village harboured individuals involved in two recent assaults against European transients in the Gulf Islands. The gunboat fired on the village and was repulsed with casualties after a fierce battle with a handful of warriors. Following this defeat, the colonial government responded with one of the largest military operations in the history of British Columbia, whi ...

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The Salish People: Volume I

The Local Contribution of Charles Hill-Tout
Volume I: The Thompson and the Okanagan
Edited with an Introduction by Ralph Maud

The Thompson and the Okanagan

by Charles Hill-Tout, edited by Ralph Maud

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : cultural, native americans, british columbia (bc), indigenous studies, non-classifiable

Charles Hill-Tout was born in England in 1858 and came to British Columbia in 1891. A pioneer settler at Abbotsford in the Fraser Valley, he devoted many years of fieldwork to his studies of the Salish and published in the scholarly periodicals of the day. He was honoured as president of the Anthropological Section of the Royal Society of Canada and as a fellow of the Royal Anthropological Institute of Great Britain. In *The Salish People*, his field reports are collected for the first time.

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The Salish People

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Volume II: The Squamish and the Lillooet
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The Salish People: Volume II

The Squamish and the Lillooet

by Charles Hill-Tout, edited by Ralph Maud

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The Salish People: Volume IV

The Sechelt and South-Eastern Tribes of Vancouver Island

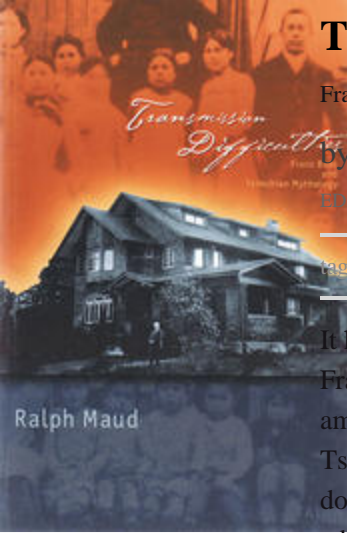
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Transmission Difficulties

Franz Boas and Tsimshian Mythology

By Ralph Maud

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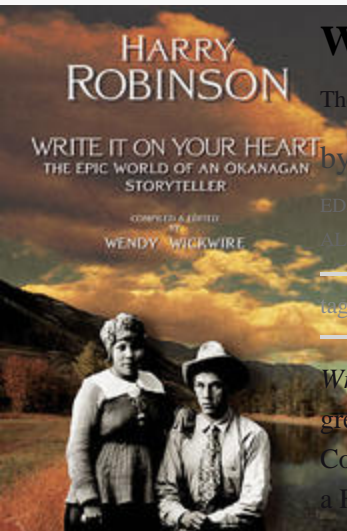
tagged : native american studies

It has been well known since Marius Barbeau's review of the first edition of Franz Boas's *Tsimshian Mythology* in 1917, that something was seriously amiss with Boas's alleged "translations" of the stories gathered by his chief Tsimshian informant, Henry Tate. But what, exactly, was it that Boas was doing with Tate's stories? It is this question that Ralph Maud sets out to address in *Transmission Difficulties*.

Boas's original misrepresentations of the more than 2,000 pages of material

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Write It on Your Heart

The Epic World of an Okanagan Storyteller

by Harry Robinson, edited by Wendy Wickwire

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : cultural

Write It on Your Heart is a celebration of the late Harry Robinson, one of the great storytellers of the Interior Salish people of North America.

Collected over a ten-year period, the stories selected for this volume tell from a First Nations point of view about the origin of the world; the time of the animal people; the time before the coming of the white man; the stories of power; the prophet cult and its predictions of profound cultural and economic change; and the post-contact world. The co ...

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A Story as Sharp as a Knife

The Classical Haida Myhtellers and Their World

by Robert Bringhurst

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : fairy tales, folk tales, legends & mythology, folklore & mythology, non-classifiable

A seminal collection of Haida myths and legends; now in a gorgeous new package.

The linguist and ethnographer John Swanton took dictation from the last great Haida-speaking storytellers, poets and historians from the fall of 1900 through the summer of 1901. Together they created a great treasury of Haida oral literature in written form.

Having worked for many years with these century-old manuscripts, linguist and poet **Robert Bringhurst** brings both rigorous scholarship and a literary voice to the ...

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Grandpère

by Janet Romain

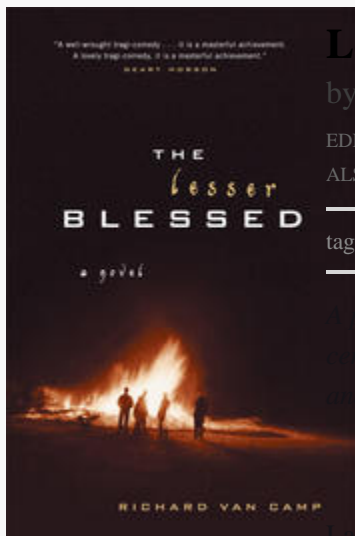
EDITION: eBook

tagged : contemporary, contemporary women, literary

Anzel, a widow in her sixties, lives quietly on her small farm with her ninety-eight-year-old grandfather, a Carrier elder from Northern BC. Grandpère and Anzel pass the time playing fierce cribbage games, cutting firewood and tending the vegetable garden.

As the days pass Grandpère tells Anzel his life story, sharing heartbreaking memories: the death of his family in a devastating epidemic, growing up alone within a white community, his son's murder at the hands of a horse thief, and his battl ...

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Lesser Blessed

by Richard Van Camp

EDITION: Paperback

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : literary, native american studies

A powerful coming-of-age story -- edgy, stark, and at times, darkly funny that centers around Larry, a Native teenager trying to cope with a painful past and find his place in a confusing and stressful modern world.

Larry is a Dogrib Indian growing up in the small northern town of Fort Simmer. His tongue, his hallucinations and his fantasies are hotter than the centre of the sun. At sixteen, he loves Iron Maiden, the North and Juliet Hope, the high school tramp.

In this powerful and very fun ...

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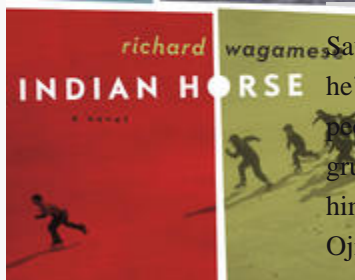
Indian Horse

by Richard Wagamese

EDITION: Paperback

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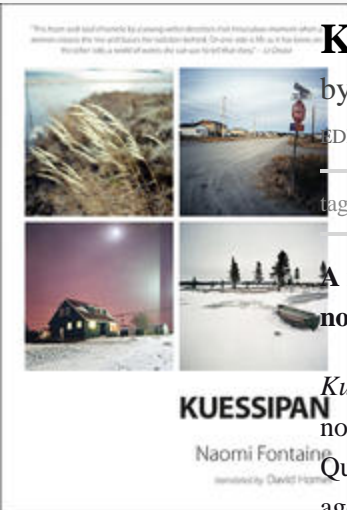
tagged : literary, media tie-in, native american & aboriginal



Saul Indian Horse has hit bottom. His last binge almost killed him, and now he's a reluctant resident in a treatment centre for alcoholics, surrounded by people he's sure will never understand him. But Saul wants peace, and he grudgingly comes to see that he'll find it only through telling his story. With him, readers embark on a journey back through the life he's led as a northern Ojibway, with all its joys and sorrows.

With compassion and insight, author Richard Wagamese traces through ...

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Kuessipan

by Naomi Fontaine, translated by David Homel

EDITION: Paperback

tagged :

A fictionalized, meditative chronicle of life among the Innu in rural northeastern Quebec.

Kuessipan ("to you" in the Innu language) is an extraordinary, meditative novel about life among the Native Innu people in the wilds of northeastern Quebec. Naomi Fontaine, herself an Innu, wrote this novel (in French) at the age of twenty-three; with grace and perfect pitch, she depicts a community of nomadic hunters and fishers, and of hard-working mothers and their children, enduring a harsh, sometimes c ...

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The 500 Years of Resistance Comic Book

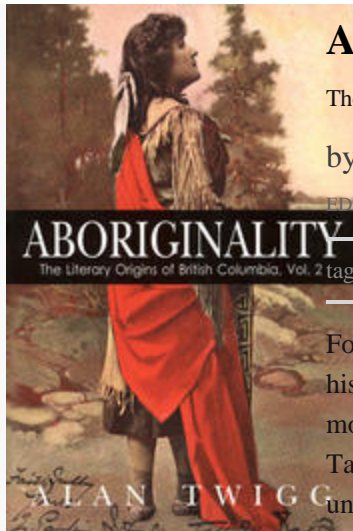
by Gord Hill, foreword by Ward Churchill

EDITION: Paperback

tagged :

The 500 Years of Resistance Comic Book is a powerful and historically accurate graphic portrayal of Indigenous resistance to the European colonization of the Americas, beginning with the Spanish invasion under Christopher Columbus and ending with the Six Nations land reclamation in Ontario in 2006. Gord Hill spent two years unearthing images and researching historical information to create *The 500 Years of Resistance Comic Book*, which presents the story of Aboriginal resistance in a far-reaching ...

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Aboriginality

The Literary Origins of British Columbia, Volume 3

by Alan Twigg

EDITION: eBook

tagged :

Following the success of *First Invaders* (Ronsdale, 2004), Alan Twigg turns his attention to First Nations writers, unearthing more than 300 books by more than 170 mostly unheralded British Columbia aboriginal authors. Taking the reader from residential schools to art galleries, this lively and unprecedented panorama of British Columbia includes trailblazer Pauline Johnson, political organizer George Manuel and Haida carver Bill Reid. Equally important, *Aboriginality* sheds new light on fascinatin ...

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Bad Medicine

A Judge's Struggle for Justice in a First Nations Community

by Hon. John Reilly

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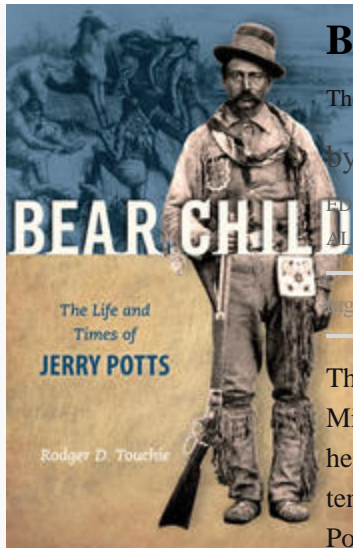
ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook

tagged : lawyers & judges, native american studies, indigenous peoples

Early in his career, Judge John Reilly did everything by the book. His jurisdiction included a First Nations community plagued by suicide, addiction, poverty, violence and corruption. He steadily handed out prison sentences with little regard for long-term consequences and even less knowledge as to why crime was so rampant on the reserve in the first place.

In an unprecedented move that pitted him against his superiors, the legal system he was part of, and one of Canada's best-known Indian chie ...

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Bear Child

The Life and Times of Jerry Potts

by Rodger D. Touchie

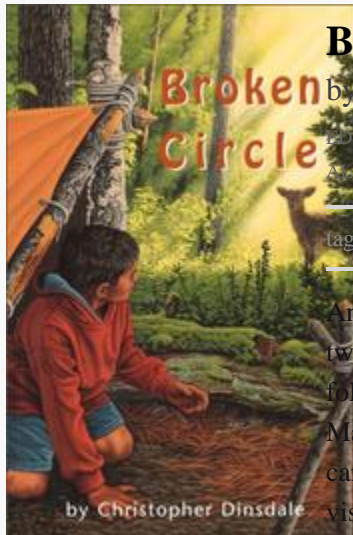
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tagged :

The West was a lawless domain when Jerry Potts was born into the Upper Missouri fur trade in 1838. The son of a Scottish father and a Blood mother, he was given the name Bear Child by his Blood tribe for his bravery and tenacity while he was still a teen. In 1874, when the North West Mounted Police first marched west and sat lost and starving near the Canada-U.S. border, it was Potts who led them to shelter. Over the next 22 years he played a critical role in the peaceful settlement of the Canad ...

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Broken Circle

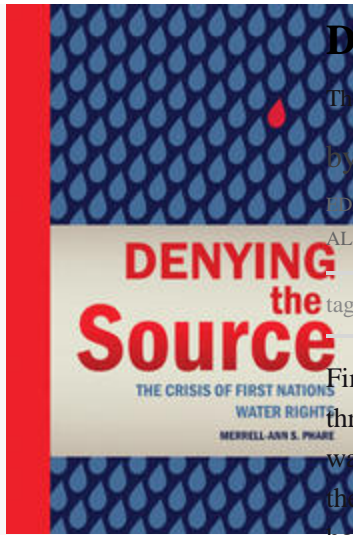
by Christopher Dinsdale

EDITION: eBook

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tagged : fantasy & magic, native canadian

Angry at missing a week of summer video game entertainment, Jesse, a twelve-year-old boy of European/Native American descent, grudgingly follows through with his deceased father's request that he join his Uncle Matthew and cousin Jason at Six Islands, on Georgian Bay, for a special camping trip. Uncle Matthew explains that Jesse's father wanted Jason's vision quest to be his introduction to their native culture. During their first night around the camp-fire, it is Jesse who has a vision, a ...



Denying the Source

The Crisis of First Nations Water Rights

by Merrell-Ann Phare

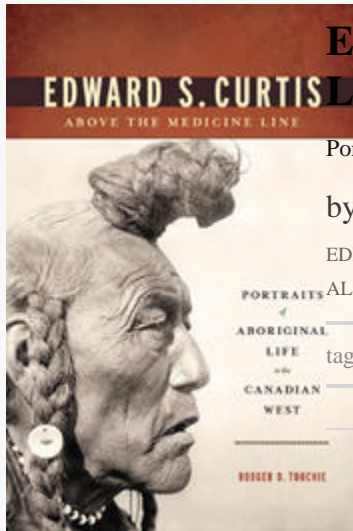
EDITION: Hardcover

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tagged : environmental conservation & protection, environmental policy

First Nations are facing some of the worst water crises in Canada and throughout North America. Their widespread lack of access to safe drinking water receives ongoing national media attention, and yet progress addressing the causes of the problem is painfully slow. First Nations have had little say in how their waters are, or are not, protected. They have been excluded from many important decisions, as provinces operate under the view that they own the water resources within provincial boundari ...

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Edward S. Curtis Above the Medicine Line

Portraits of Aboriginal Life in the Canadian West

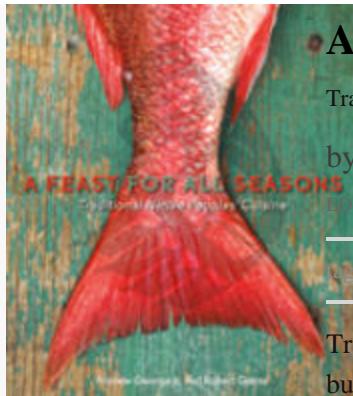
by Rodger D. Touchie

EDITION: Hardcover

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tagged : native american, portraits, artists, architects, photographers

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A Feast for All Seasons

Traditional Native Peoples' Cuisine

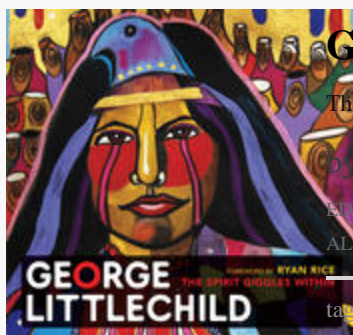
by Andrew George Jr. & Robert Gairns

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : native american

Traditional North American Native peoples' cuisine has existed for centuries, but its central tenet of respecting nature and its bounty have never been as timely as they are now. Andrew George, of the Wet'suwet'en Nation in Canada, is a well-respected aboriginal chef and instructor who has spent the last twenty-five years promoting the traditions of First Nations food. In *A Feast for All Seasons*, written with Robert Gairns, he has compiled aboriginal recipes that feature ingredients from the lan ...

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George Littlechild

The Spirit Giggles Within

by George Littlechild, foreword by Ryan Rice

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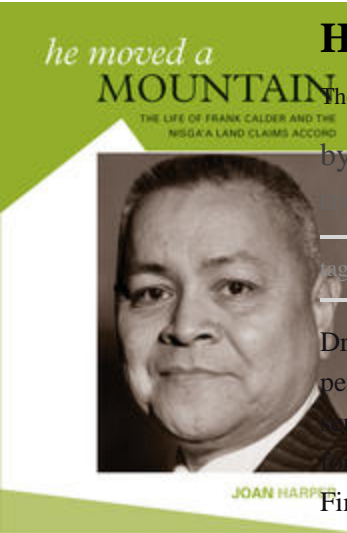
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tagged : canadian, native american, artists' books

George Littlechild: The Spirit Giggles Within is a stunning retrospective of a career that has spanned nearly four decades. Featuring more than 150 of the Plains Cree artist's mixed-media works, this sumptuous collection showcases the bold swaths of colour and subtle textures of Littlechild's work.

Littlechild has never shied away from political or social themes. His paintings blaze with strong emotions ranging from anger to compassion, humour to spiritualism. Fully embracing his Plains Cree ...

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He Moved A Mountain

The Life of Frank Calder and the Nisga'a Land Claims Accord

by Joan Harper

EDITION: eBook

tagged : native americans, native american studies, political

Dr. Frank Arthur Calder of BC's Nisga'a First Nation was the first indigenous person to be elected to any Canadian governing body. For twenty-six years he served as an MLA in the legislature of British Columbia. He was the driving force behind Canada's decision to grant recognition of indigenous land title to First Nations people throughout the country. He accomplished this goal by guiding the controversial request through a series of court cases, finally to the Supreme Court of Canada, ac ...

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Indigenous in the City

Contemporary Identities and Cultural Innovation

edited by Evelyn Peters & Chris Andersen

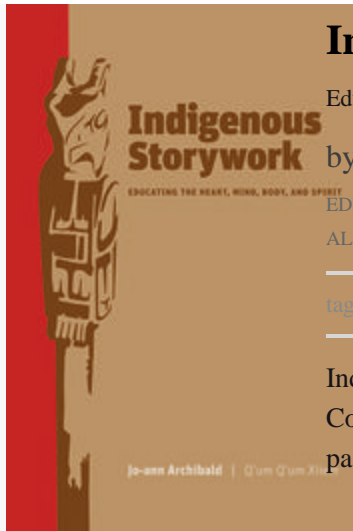
EDITION: Hardcover

ALSO AVAILABLE: eBook Paperback

tagged : native american studies, urban

Research on Indigenous issues rarely focuses on life in major metropolitan centres. Instead, there is a tendency to frame rural locations as emblematic of authentic or "real" Indigeneity. While such a perspective may support Indigenous struggles for territory and recognition, it fails to account for large swaths of contemporary Indigenous realities, including the increased presence of Indigenous people in cities. The contributors to this volume explore the implications of urbanization on the ...

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Indigenous Storywork

Educating the Heart, Mind, Body, and Spirit

by Jo-Ann Archibald

EDITION: [Paperback](#)

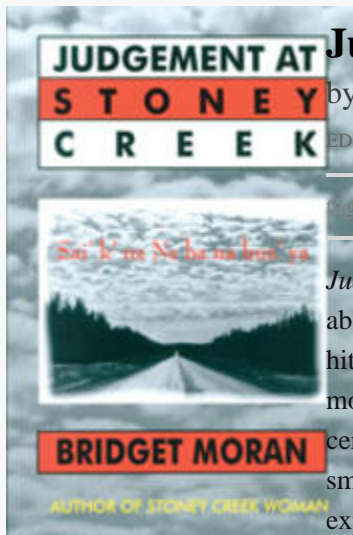
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tagged : professional development, native american studies, social science

Indigenous oral narratives are an important source for, and component of, Coast Salish knowledge systems. Stories are not only to be recounted and passed down; they are also intended as tools for teaching.

Jo-ann Archibald worked closely with Elders and storytellers, who shared both traditional and personal life-experience stories, in order to develop ways of bringing storytelling into educational contexts. *Indigenous Storywork* is the result of this research and it demonstrates how stories have ...

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Judgement at Stoney Creek

by Bridget Moran

EDITION: [Paperback](#)

tagged : native american studies

Judgement at Stoney Creek has been released in a new edition of an aboriginal studies classic: an engrossing look at the investigation into the hit-and-run death of Coreen Thomas, a young Native woman in her ninth month of pregnancy, at the wheels of a car driven by a young white man in central BC. The resulting inquest into what might have been just another small-town tragedy turned into an inquiry of racial tensions, both implicit and explicit, that surfaced not only on country backroads but i ...

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Let the Drums Be Your Heart

New Native Voices

edited by
Joel T. Maki



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EDITION: eBook

Tagged : native american, native american studies

Let the Drums be Your Heart brings together the work of more than forty aboriginal writers from all over Canada. concerned with family and days gone by, romance and adventure, tragedy and danger, these poems, short stories, articles and life stories ring with native pride and determination.

As editor **Joel T. Maki** points out in his introduction, storytellers and historians have always played a vital role in aboriginal communities, ensuring that individual cultures, languages, legends and customs ...

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A Little Rebellion

by Bridget Moran

EDITION: Paperback

Tagged : native american studies

In 1964, social worker Bridget Moran attracted widespread attention and the wrath of the BC government with her open letter to Premier W.A.C. Bennett, charging the welfare department with gross neglect in addressing the problems of the province's needy. This very public dispute formed a small part of Bridget Moran's "little rebellion" against a system she felt did not, and does not, respond to the needs of those it was designed to help. *A Little Rebellion* is a moving portrait of a fiery and out ...

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Maskepetoon

Leader, Warrior, Peacemaker

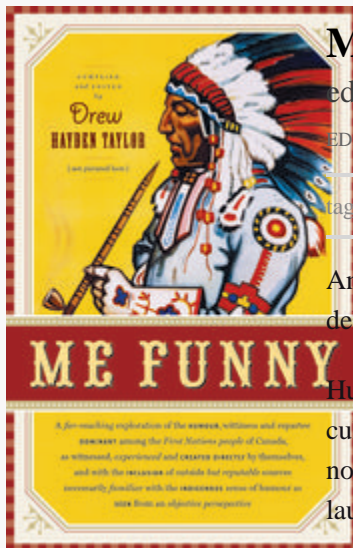
by Hugh Dempsey

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : native american, pre-confederation (to 1867), native americans

As a leader, Maskepetoon was respected for his skill as a hunter, his generosity and his wisdom. He was considered a “lucky” chief, a man who found buffalo on the edge of the plains, who avoided unnecessary conflicts with enemies, but protected his camp like a mother grizzly with her cubs. And in the turbulent mid-1800s, that’s exactly the kind of leader the Rocky Mountain Cree needed. Maskepetoon followed his own inclinations for peace and friendship. He formed allegiances with missionari ...

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Me Funny

edited by Drew Hayden Taylor

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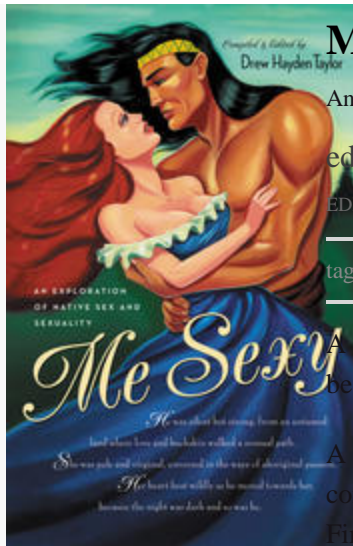
tagged : native american studies

An irreverent, insightful take on our First Nations’ great gift to Canada, delivered by a stellar cast of contributors.

Humour has always been an essential part of North American Aboriginal culture. This fact remained unnoticed by most settlers, however, since non-Aboriginals just didn’t get the joke. Indians, it was believed, never laughed. But Indians themselves always knew better.

As an award-winning playwright, columnist and comedy-sketch creator, Drew Hayden Taylor has spent fifteen years ...

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Me Sexy

An Exploration of Native American Sexuality

Edited by Drew Hayden Taylor

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : native american studies, gender studies

A moving and often funny look at Native sexuality from some of Canada's best First Nations and Inuit writers.

A sequel to the highly successful Me Funny, Me Sexy is an anthology containing thirteen contributions from leading members of North America's First Nations writing communities. The many highlights include Lee Maracle's creation story, Salish style; Tomson Highway explaining why Cree is the sexiest of all languages; Marius P. Tungilik looking at the dark side of Inuit sex; and Marissa Craze ...

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Native Chiefs and Famous Métis

Leadership and Bravery in the Canadian West

by Holly Quan

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : historical, native canadian

These inspiring true stories illuminate the courage and wisdom of five 19th-century Native leaders and famous Métis who fought against impossible odds to preserve the culture and rights of their people. The visionary Cree leader Big Bear sought peace and a better life, only to be hunted mercilessly and imprisoned unjustly. Jerry Potts, the legendary North West Mounted Police guide and interpreter, helped smash the whisky trade and negotiate treaties. Persevering through sorrow and defeat, brave ...

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NESA Activities Handbook for Native and Multicultural Classrooms, Volume

by Don Sawyer; Art Napoleon & Native Education Services Associates

EDITION: Paperback

tagged : native american studies

VOLUME TWO



Compiled by
DON SAWYER and
ART NAPOLEON

This is the second of three volumes of educational activities for use in First Nations and multicultural classrooms. The activities stress the importance of culture in students' lives, and teaches them basic personal and community-related skills so they may become more self-reliant and culturally responsible.

The Native Education Services Associates are a group of teaching professionals with extensive experience in Native and multicultural education. Their materials provide educators with meani ...

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A Night for the Lady, A

by Joanne Arnott

EDITION: eBook

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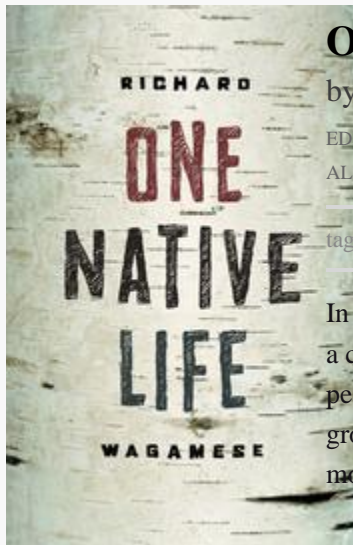
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On July 11, 1990, tension between white and Mohawk people at *Oka*, just west of Montreal, took a violent turn. At issue was the town's plan to turn a piece of disputed land in the community of Kanasatake into a golf course. Media footage of rock-throwing white residents and armed, masked Mohawk Warriors facing police across barricades shocked Canadians and galvanized Aboriginal people from coast to coast. In August, Quebec Premier Robert Bourassa called for the Canadian army to step in.

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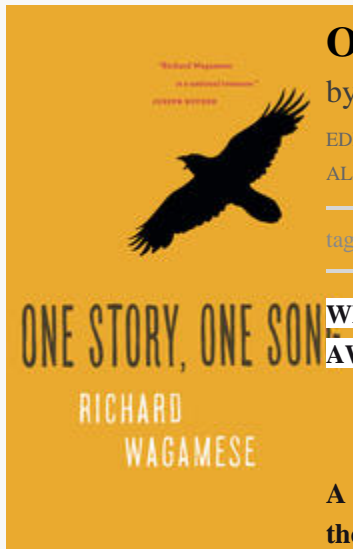
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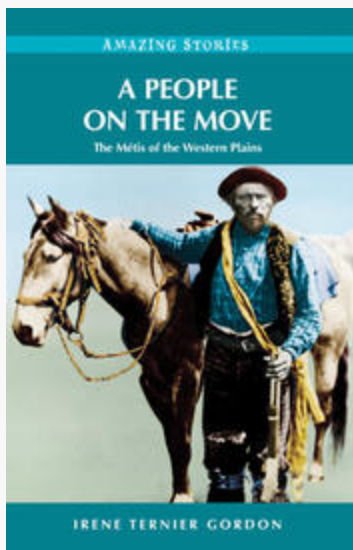
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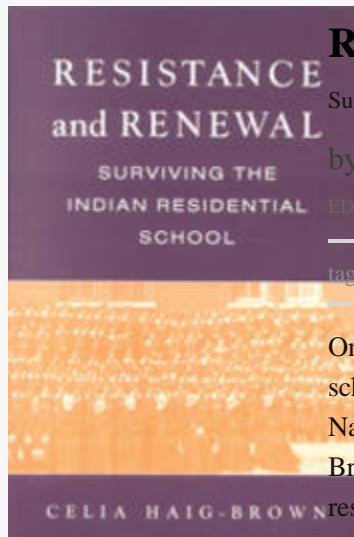
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The blossoming of Métis society and culture in the 19th century marked a fascinating and colourful era in western Canadian history. Drawing from journals and contemporary sources, Irene Ternier Gordon presents a vivid account of Métis life in the area that is now Saskatchewan and Alberta. Here are the stories of the masters of the plains—Métis buffalo hunters, traders and entrepreneurs like Louis Goulet, Norbert Welsh and the legendary Gabriel Dumont. Many enjoyed lives of freedom and adven ...

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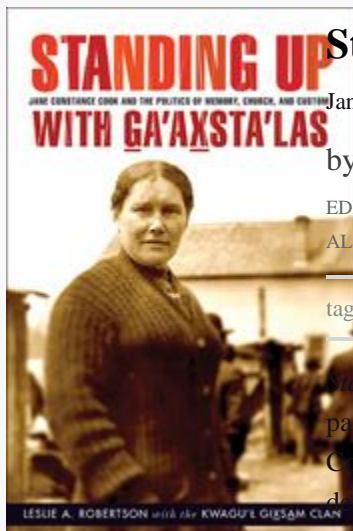
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When their grandfather suddenly dies, the twins learn that the deed to the precious spring in Wild Horse Creek Canyon is missing. When Liv discovers that the shady owner of the neighbouring ranch, Sam Regis, is planning to build a big retirement village on their land, she takes action. With only a few clues to go by, she and Brady secretly set out to find a mysterious old friend of Granddad's who might know where the deed is.

Meanwhile, Sophie, Mark, and Shane discover that Mystery, the elu ...



Standing Up with Ga'axsta'las

Jane Constance Cook and the Politics of Memory, Church, and Custom

by Leslie A. Robertson & the Kwagu'l Gixsam Clan

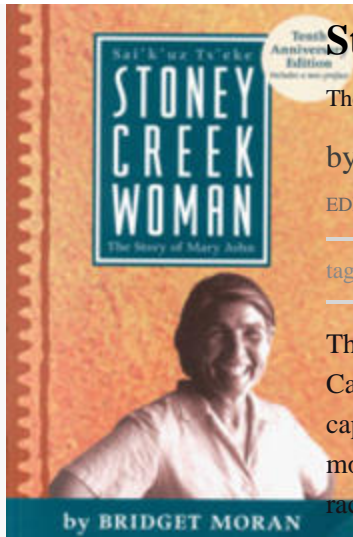
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Standing Up with Ga'axsta'las is a compelling conversation with the colonial past initiated by the descendants of Kwakwaka'wakw leader and activist, Jane Constance Cook (1870-1951). Working in collaboration, Robertson and Cook's descendants open this history, challenging dominant narratives that misrepresent her motivations for criticizing customary practices and eventually supporting the potlatch ban. Drawing from oral histories, archival materials, and historical and anthropolo ...

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The captivating story of Mary John (who passed away in 2004), a pioneering Carrier Native whose life on the Stoney Creek reserve in central BC is a capsule history of First Nations life from a unique woman's perspective. A mother of twelve, Mary endured much tragedy and heartbreak--the pangs of racism, poverty, and the deaths of six children--but lived her life with extraordinary grace and courage. Years after her death, she continues to be a positive role model for Aboriginals across Canada. I ...

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Strangers in Blood

Fur Trade Company Families in Indian Country

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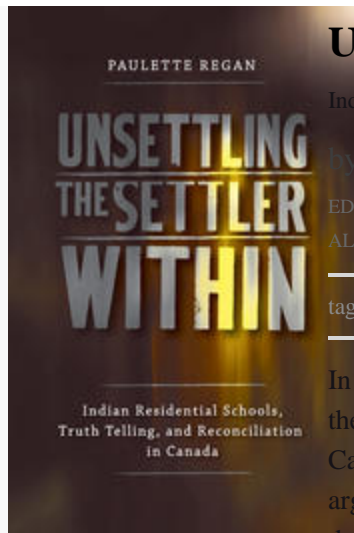
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Unsettling the Settler Within

Indian Residential Schools, Truth Telling, and Reconciliation in Canada

by Paulette Regan, foreword by Taiaiake Alfred

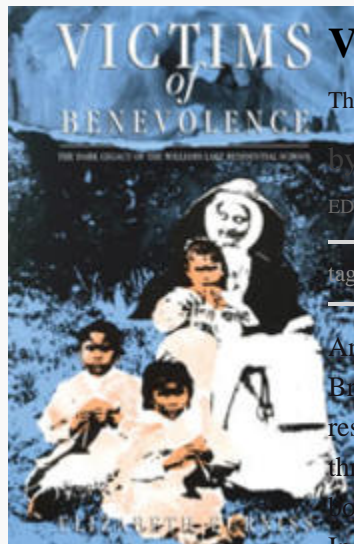
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In 2008, Canada established a Truth and Reconciliation Commission to mend the deep rifts between Aboriginal peoples and the settler society that created Canada's notorious residential school system. *Unsettling the Settler Within* argues that non-Aboriginal Canadians must undergo their own process of decolonization in order to truly participate in the transformative possibilities of reconciliation. Settlers must relinquish the persistent myth of themselves as peacemakers and acknowledge the dest ...

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Victims of Benevolence

The Dark Legacy of the Williams Lake Residential School

by Elizabeth Furniss

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An unsettling study of two tragic events at an Indian residential school in British Columbia which serve as a microcosm of the profound impact the residential school system had on Aboriginal communities in Canada throughout this century. The book's focal points are the death of a runaway boy and the suicide of another while they were students at the Williams Lake Indian Residential School during the early part of this century. Imbedded in these stories is the complex relationship between the Dep ...

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Jacob's Prayer

by Lorne Dufour

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In 1974 Lorne Dufour moved to Alkali Lake Reserve, a Shuswap community near Williams Lake in British Columbia, to help reopen the local elementary school. Like many First Nation communities across Canada, Alkali Lake had been ravaged by decades of residential schools and forced religion. Colonialism had robbed them of their language and culture and had left a legacy of abuse and alcoholism. But in 1972, Chief Andy Chelsea and his wife Phyllis took it upon themselves to lead their community on a ...

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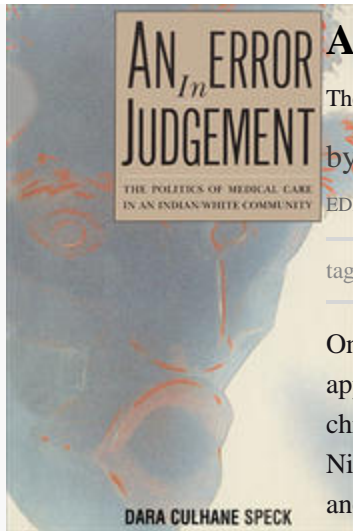
by Ralph Maud

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Boas, Teit, Hill-Tout, Barbeau, Swanton, Jenness, the luminaries of field research in British Columbia, are discussed here in *A Guide to B.C. Indian Myth and Legend*, and their work in Indian folklore evaluated. Other scholars, amateurs and Native informants of the past and present are given ample consideration, making this book a comprehensive survey of myth collecting in B.C. The aim is to reveal the true extent of this neglected body of world literature, and to begin to sort out the more valua ...

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The Politics Of Medical Care in an Indian/White Community

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On January 22, 1979, an eleven-year-old Native girl died of a ruptured appendix in an Alert Bay, B.C. hospital. The events that followed are chronicled here by Dara Culhane Speck, a member by marriage of the Nimpkish Indian Band in Alert Bay. She has relied mainly on interviews, anecdotes and public records to describe how this small, isolated Native community took on the local hospital, the College of Physicians and Surgeons, provincial and federal ministries of health and national media, becau ...

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Indian Myths & Legends from the North Pacific Coast of America

A Translation of Franz Boas' 1895 Edition of Indianische Sagen von der Nord-Pacifischen Küste Amerikas

by Franz Boas, edited by Randy Bouchard & Dorothy Kennedy

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tagged : cultural

Franz Boas (1858-1942), geographer, linguist, physical anthropologist and ethnologist, is considered the father of modern North American anthropology.

The 1895 German publication of

Indianische Sagen von der Nord-Pacifischen Küste Amerikas

gathered together in a single volume his earliest research in British Columbia, consisting of 250 B.C. First Nations myths and legends which had been previously serialized in German periodicals between 1891 and 1895. In 1973, the B.C. Indian Language Project ...

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