

## READING and Other MATERIALS ON INDIGENOUS ISSUES

Purchase at <http://goodminds.com/>

### ESSENTIAL BOOKS

1. **Truth and Reconciliation Commission: Executive Summary** “Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future”, “Principle of Truth & Reconciliation”, “The Survivors Speak and, particularly, “*Calls to Action*” June 2015 **Final TRC Report December 2015**  
<http://nctr.ca/assets/reports/Final%20Reports>  
[http://nctr.ca/assets/reports/Final%20Reports/Executive\\_Summary\\_English\\_Web.pdf](http://nctr.ca/assets/reports/Final%20Reports/Executive_Summary_English_Web.pdf)  
BUY: [www.lorimer.ca](http://www.lorimer.ca), and read at <http://www.theredeemer.ca/Page/AIWG.html#TRC>
2. **The Inconvenient Indian; The Truth about Stories**, Thomas King, plus all his others such as **The Back of the Turtle** and **A Coyote Solstice**
3. **The Comeback**, John Ralston Saul
4. **Buffalo Shout Salmon Cry**, Steve Heinrichs ed, Mennonite Church
5. **Children of the Broken Treaty**, Charlie Angus MP
6. **Indian Horse**, {The People’s Choice Award for Canada Reads}; **Keeper’n Me; To Joshua; Medicine Walk**, Richard Wagamese, PLUS all his other writings such as **Finding Father** <http://www.cbc.ca/books/2015/08/finding-father.html> and **everything else + Facebook page**
7. **The Reason You Walk**, Wab Kinew 2015
8. **Wrongs to Rights**, MCC, Common Word  
<http://www.commonword.ca/ResourceView/2/18343>
9. **Indigenous Healing: Exploring Traditional Paths**, Rupert Ross, and also **Dancing with a Ghost: Exploring Indian Reality**, and **Returning to the Teachings**,
10. **Unsettling Canada: Rebuilding Indigenous Nations**, by Arthur Manuel
11. **In This Together: Fifteen Stories of Truth and Reconciliation**, Danielle Metcalfe-Chenail, editor  
[http://muskratmagazine.com/in\\_this\\_together\\_fifteen\\_stories\\_of\\_truth\\_and\\_reconciliation/](http://muskratmagazine.com/in_this_together_fifteen_stories_of_truth_and_reconciliation/)
12. **I Am Not a Number** by Jenny Kay Dupuis
13. **Red Power: A Graphic Novel** by Brian Wright-McLeod
14. **Red Skin, White Masks**, Glen Coultard SEE for a discussion of this & the Comeback at <http://reviewcanada.ca/magazine/2015/01/dont-call-it-a-comeback/> and in Geist Magazine #96 <http://www.geist.com/subscribe-online/geist-96>
15. **Enabling Cross Culture Dialogue**, Herman J. Michell

### ESSENTIAL STUDIES & REPORTS

**Feathers of Hope Report “A First Nations Youth Action Plan”**, 2014

<http://digital.provincialadvocate.on.ca/i/259048-foh-report>

**Legal Strategy Coalition on Violence against Indigenous Women**

An executive summary of the report is [here](#).

The full report analysing the implementation of past recommendations is [here](#).

A spreadsheet summarizing the previous reports is [here](#).

A list of the recommendations contained in the previous reports is [here](#).

## **IMPORTANT STUDIES & REPORTS**

**Toronto Has No History** , Victoria Freeman (especially Intro & Conclusion)

[https://tspace.library.utoronto.ca/bitstream/1807/26356/1/Freeman\\_Victoria\\_J\\_201011\\_PhD\\_thesis.pdf](https://tspace.library.utoronto.ca/bitstream/1807/26356/1/Freeman_Victoria_J_201011_PhD_thesis.pdf)

**We were so Far Away: the Inuit Experience** - -exhibit, book Legacy of Hope Fndn

<http://weweresofaraway.ca/>

**RCMP & the IRS**

<http://nctr.ca/assets/reports/Modern%20Reports/RCMP-role-in-residential-school-system-Oct-4-2011.pdf>

**United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)**

[http://www.fafia-afai.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/CEDAW\\_C\\_OP-8\\_CAN\\_1\\_7643\\_E.pdf](http://www.fafia-afai.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/CEDAW_C_OP-8_CAN_1_7643_E.pdf)

**Aboriginal Healing Foundation**, From Truth to Reconciliation

<http://www.ahf.ca/downloads/from-truth-to-reconciliation-transforming-the-legacy-of-residential-schools.pdf>

**Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples** Recommendations, 1996

[http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/webarchives/20071213040634/http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ch/rcap/sq/cka5a\\_e.pdf](http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/webarchives/20071213040634/http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/ch/rcap/sq/cka5a_e.pdf)

**Manitoba Aboriginal Justice Inquiry** <http://www.ajic.mb.ca/volumel/toc.html>

## **LISTS from CBC & Muskrat Magazine and Toronto & Saskatoon Libraries**

**Your picks for the best Indigenous books**

<http://www.cbc.ca/radio/unreserved/celebrating-indigenous-book-club-month-1.3624136/indigenous-reads-your-picks-for-the-best-indigenous-books-1.3624580>

**12 books by indigenous women you should read**

<http://www.cbc.ca/books/mobile/touch/2015/08/12-books-by-indigenous-women-you-should-read.html>

**5 books by indigenous authors to read**

<http://www.cbc.ca/beta/news/aboriginal/5-books-by-indigenous-authors-to-read-over-the-holidays-1.3379751>

**15 books to read**

<http://www.cbc.ca/books/mobile/touch/2016/06/carolyn-bennett-marks-june-as-indigenous-book-club-month.html>

**15 books by Indigenous Authors**

<http://muskratmagazine.com/fifteen-books-by-indigenous-authors-you-should-read/>

[http://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/books-video-music/books/booklists/booklist.jsp?listTitle=Aboriginal+History+Month+Read+Alikes&listId=1674ez6j8z8eXgT-LE8ZoGEMm1A5\\_i3tWNI7v90Xck-M&sheetId=oz1xnrb](http://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/books-video-music/books/booklists/booklist.jsp?listTitle=Aboriginal+History+Month+Read+Alikes&listId=1674ez6j8z8eXgT-LE8ZoGEMm1A5_i3tWNI7v90Xck-M&sheetId=oz1xnrb)

<http://saskatoonlibrary.ca/read-for-reconciliation>

<http://www.mprnews.org/story/2016/06/02/books-indigenous-book-club-month>

## **IMPORTANT and RECENT BOOKS**

**A Fair Country**, John Ralston Saul (Theory of being a “metis nation” in more depth)

**The Farm**, Stevie Cameron

**Unsettling the Settler Within**, Pauline Regan

**The Orenda**, Joseph Boyden, Plus all his other books and articles

**Residential schools, with the Words & Images of Survivors**, Larry Loyie (Cree),  
Constance Brissenden and Wayne K Spear (Mohawk)

**The Right to be Cold**, Sheila Watt-Cloutier

**The Unjust Society**, Harold Cardinal

**First Nations 101**, Lynda Grey

**Anishnabe 101**, Circle of Turtle Lodge, Aimee Bailey

**Birdie**, Tracy Lindberg

**Burning in this Midnight Dream**, Louise Bernice Halfe

**Canada's First Nations: A History of Founding Peoples from Earliest Times**, Olive  
Patricia Dickason

**3 Plays**, Alanis King

**The Stone Collection**, Kateri Akiwenzie-Damm

**The Gift is in the Making**, by Leanne Simpson, and **Dancing on Our Turtle's Back**

**Up Ghost River** by Edmund Metatawabin with Alexandra Shimo

**Legacy** by Waubgeshig Rice whose collection of stories, **Midnight Sweatlodge**, was  
the gold-medal winner of the Independent Publisher Book Awards

**The Moons Speak Cree: A Winter Adventure**, L. Loyie & Constance Brickenden

**Halfling Spring: An Internet Romance**, Joanne Arnot

**Walking in Balance: Meeyau-ossaewin** by Basil Johnson

**The Truth That Wampum Tells:** by Lynn Gehl

**The Harmony Tree** by Randy Woodley

**Honouring Indigenous Women**

<https://ipsmo.wordpress.com/2012/11/25/online-book-hiw-hon-v2/>

**God and the Indian**, Drew Hayden Taylor

**Bridging two Peoples**, Allan Sherwin

**Life Among the Qallunaat** is [Mini Aodla Freeman's story](#)

**Moonshot**, Hope Nicholson edited this [collection of indigenous stories](#)

**The Education of Augie Merasty** by David Carpenter and Joseph Merasty;

**First Wives Club**, Lee Maracle also **Ravensong**, **Bobbi Lee: Indian Rebel**, and

**Daughters Are Forever**

**Hiawatha and the Peacemaker**, [Robbie Robertson](#)

**Back to the Red Road**; Kaefer & Gamblin

**Prison of Grass: Canada from a Native Point of View** Harold Adams

**Stolen Sisters** by Emmanuelle Walter

## IMPORTANT BOOKS (Continued)

**Resource Rulers:** Fortune & Folly on Canada's road to resources, Bill Gallagher  
**Ambassadors of Reconciliation**, Vol. I: New Testament Reflections on Restorative Justice and Peacemaking, Ched Myers,

**Monkey Beach**, [Eden Robinson](#)

**The Redemption of Oscar Wolfe**, James Bartleman

**They Called Me Number One**, Bev Sellars

**Trail of Tears:** The Rise and Fall of the Cherokee Nation, John Ehle,

**History of the Ojibway People**, William Whipple Warren

**Lakota Woman** by Mary Crown Dog (Mary Brave Bird) & Richard Erdoes

**Many Tender Ties:** Women in Fur-Trade Society, 1670-1870, Sylvia Van Kirk

**The Queen at the Council Fire** by Nathan Tidridge

**Disrobing the Aboriginal Industry:** The Deception Behind Indigenous Cultural Preservation, [Frances Widdowson](#)

**Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants** by Robin Wall Kimmerer

**The Winter We Danced:** Voices from the Past, the Future and Idle No More Movement by The Kino-nda-niimi Collective

**Lightfinder** by Aaron Paquette

**Love Medicine**, by Louise Erdrich, 1984

**A National Crime: The Canadian Government and the Residential School System, 1879 to 1986**, [John S. Milloy](#).

**Bear Bones and Feathers** by Louise Halfe

**The Outside Circle**, Patti LaBoucane-Benson

**Tsawalk:** A Nuu-chah-nulth-Worldview by Umeek

**Louis:** The Heretic Poems, Metis poet Gregory Scofield

**Red:** A Haida Manga, by Michael Nicoll Yahgulanaas,

**The Outside Circle** by [Patti Laboucane-Benson](#) Illustrated by [Kelly Mellings](#)

**Suffer the Little children:** Genocide, Indigenous Nations and the Canadian State, Tamara Starblanket

**Uqalurait: An Oral History of Nunavut (McGill-Queen's Native and Northern Series, No. 36)** Bennett, John R.; Rowley, Susan

**Voices of Our Athletes** is a new book, written by students from Hagersville Secondary.

**The Pemmican Eaters**, Marilyn Dumont

## SERIES

**W. Michael Gear and Kathleen O'Neal Gear**, fiction based on American archeology (People of the Wolf to start & then the 3 or so that deal with Canada territory)  
**Tony Hillerman**, Mysteries (Navajo)

## Books about residential schools to read with your kids

**10 books about residential schools to read with your kids - Aboriginal - CBC**

<http://www.cbc.ca/beta/news/aboriginal/10-books-about-residential-schools-to-read-with-your-kids-1.3208021>

**Shi-shi-etko**, by Nicola Campbell (Ages 4-8)

**Shin-chi's Canoe**, by Nicola Campbell (Ages 4-8)

**Arctic Stories**, by Michael Kusugak (Ages 4-8)

**Kookum's Red Shoes**, by Peter Eyvindson (Ages 4-8)

**Fatty Legs: A True Story**, and **"Not My Daughter"** by Christy Jordan-Fenton and Margaret Pokiak-Fenton (Ages 9-12)

**A Stranger at Home: A True Story**, by Christy Jordan-Fenton and Margaret Pokiak-Fenton (Ages 9-12)

**Mikomosis and the Wetiko** <http://ifls.osgoode.yorku.ca/tag/mikomosis-and-the-wetiko/>

**No Time to Say Goodbye: Children's Stories of Kuper Island Residential School**, by Sylvia Olsen (Ages 9-12)

**As long as the Rivers Flow**, by Larry Loyie (Ages 9-12)

**My Name is Seepeetza**, by Shirley Sterling (Ages 9-12)

**We feel good out here** = Zhik gwaa'an, nakhwatthaiitat qwiinzii (The Land is Our Storybook) by Julie-Ann André and Mindy Willett (Ages 9-12)

**MUST READ INDIGENOUS CHILDREN'S BOOKS LIST - MUSKRAT Magazine**

<http://muskratmagazine.com/must-read-indigenous-childrens-books-list/>

## Articles

**Canadian Encyclopedia**

**Wiebe:** <http://ufvcascade.ca/2015/03/06/rudy-wiebe-discusses-mennonitecanadian-aboriginal-relations-in-peace-and-conflict-studies-lecture/>

**Macdonald-Laurier Institute Studies and Articles**

<http://www.macdonaldlaurier.ca/category/issues/aboriginal-affairs/>

**Anything by Prof. Pamela Palmater**

## **ESSENTIAL PAMPHLETS, and publications by Kairos Canada**

**Strength for Climbing: Steps on the Journey of Reconciliation**

[http://www.kairoscanada.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/KAIROS\\_StrengthForClimbing.pdf](http://www.kairoscanada.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/KAIROS_StrengthForClimbing.pdf)

**Winds of Change Campaign: Education for Reconciliation**

<http://www.kairoscanada.org/what-we-do/indigenous-rights/windsofchange-overview/>

## **IMPORTANT PAMPHLETS**

**Paths for Peacemaking with Host Peoples, [www.mennonitechurch.ca](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca)**

**United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People (UNDRIP) from Kairos or Friends House**

## **Magazines and Newsletters**

**Streams of Justice <http://presbyterian.ca/?wpdmdl=1427>**

**Mandate <https://www.ucrdstore.ca/magazines/mandate>**

[urbannativemag.com](http://urbannativemag.com)

[musktratmagazine.com](http://musktratmagazine.com)

[mediaindigena.com](http://mediaindigena.com)

[firstperspective.ca](http://firstperspective.ca)

[Redrisingmagazine.ca](http://Redrisingmagazine.ca)

## **LINKS: Anglican Residential Schools; The TRC and the National Centre for Truth & Reconciliation**

<http://www.anglican.ca/relationships/trc/newsarchive#2>

<http://www.anglican.ca/relationships/trc>

<http://www.anglican.ca/about/departments/cir/video/>

[Trc.ca](http://Trc.ca)

<http://umanitoba.ca/nctr/>

## FILM & VIDEO

Policy Baby

After the Last River,

The Wolverine,

Tony: Back From the Brink

The Story of the Jingle Dress

Haida Gwaii: On the Edge of the World

Highway of Tears

Trick or Treaty

Stolen

Finding heart on YouTube

Fractured Land

The Pass System

1200+

Fire Song

Le dep

The Pass System

Vanishing Point

The Grandfather of All Treaties

FrontRunners: Niigaanibatowaad

CBC - 8th Fire - TV Series

Kajutaijuq: The Spirit That Comes, [Nyla Innuksuk](#),

The Activist

[Kanehsatake: 270 Years of Resistance](#)

Muffins For Granny <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H6ziYYLL4Dw>

Maq and the Spirit of the Woods

[https://www.nfb.ca/film/maq\\_spirit\\_woods?utm\\_campaign=ad\\_hoc&utm\\_source=facebook&utm\\_medium=social-media&utm\\_content=film](https://www.nfb.ca/film/maq_spirit_woods?utm_campaign=ad_hoc&utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social-media&utm_content=film)

Where Do We Stand

*Bishop Mark MacDonald* on YOU TUBE:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TY71fKFKpes>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KnR536oGN9M>

Walk a Mile Project, Thunder Bay (Copy of DVD available from [aiwg.redeemer@gmail.com](mailto:aiwg.redeemer@gmail.com))

Heather Rae: **Trudell**, Sundance Film Festival Grand Jury Prize winner **Frozen River**, and the horror flick, **Wind Walkers**.

**The Search for Healing** (23 minutes) <http://vimeo.com/34890621>

**The Seventh Fire** (30 minutes) <http://vimeo.com/34867664>

**Topahdewin: The Gladys Cook Story** <http://www.vimeo.com/20480305>