

ATN NEWSLETTER

Teach acceptance, not hate.



DATES OF NOTE FOR JUNE

All Month:

National Indigenous History Month
Filipino Heritage Month
Start of Pride Season

June 14th to 16th - Eid al-Adha

June 16th to 22nd - [Aboriginal Awareness Week](#)

Theme: Inspiring Our Youth for Change

June 18th - International Day for Countering Hate Speech

June 19th - Juneteenth

June 20th - World Refugee Day

June 21st - National Indigenous History Day, Summer Solstice

June 27th - Canadian Multiculturalism Day

June 28th - Stonewall Riots Anniversary

NO PRIDE FOR SOME WITHOUT PRIDE FOR ALL - MARSHA P. JOHNSON

From the desks of the Antiracist Teachers Network:

Diverse communities across the globe have welcomed what in our modern context we would describe as LGBTQ+ individuals for centuries. As we move forward, it is important to recognize how colonization altered or erased these identities and histories in favour of a colonial binary and construct. Thanks to the efforts of individuals, communities and organizations we are beginning to uncover some of these histories to share, such as

[Independent Lens' A Map of Gender-Diverse Cultures](#). However, reclamation cannot happen until we acknowledge the reality that Pride continues to be presented and shared as a predominately Eurocentric event.

In this month's issue, we hope to connect you with more intersectional resources to acknowledge the diversity within the LGBTQ+ community along with community organizations you can connect with to help support this learning. After all:



Alberta Teachers' Association
@albertateachers

Delegates have passed a resolution that states: "Be it resolved that teachers are able to demonstrate support for safe spaces for all students and teachers through the utilization and display of Pride materials in their classrooms." [#ARA2024](#) [#abed](#)

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PODCAST RECCS.

From the ATN!



We recommend [Listen to minorities and thank them feat. Ra Ra Rollins \(Replay\)](#).



We recommend [Transformative Justice for Self](#).



We recommend [Etymology](#) from this young local podcast (be warned, there is swearing)



We recommend [Margaret Cho: Comedian, actor, activist and inspiration!](#)

COOL STUFF!

- Looking to start a SAGA/GSA group at your school? Here is an [easy 10-step guide](#) along with the [PRISM Elementary](#) and [Secondary](#) guides for safe and caring conversations
- **The Canadian Centre for Gender + Sexual Diversity** has a [Queer History Project](#) and [Resources](#) for a wide range of intersectional identities
- **The Canadian Pride Historical Society** provides a [wide range of resources and ready-made lessons](#) for different age ranges
- [The ArQuives](#) is Canada's LGBTQ2+ Archive, independently gathering primary sources for public access along with [Resources](#) to advocate for and share LGBTQ2+ history
- **Welcoming Schools** has [lesson plans](#) for creating affirming classrooms for elementary students
- **Teaching LGBTQ History** provides [lesson plans](#) for creating brave and affirming spaces for elementary classrooms as well!
- Unsure how to approach LGBTQ+ topics with Newcomers or EAL spaces? Check out these [LGBTQ Inclusion Resources](#)
- **International Day of Pink** isn't just an awareness day! They are one of the organizations leading efforts in capturing stories and preserving LGBTQ+ history in Canada. Check out their [Resources](#) for first hand history lessons and lesson plans!
- Connect with [Calgary Gay History](#) or [The Edmonton Queer History Project](#) for more local history and city specific resources
- **Canadian Museum of History** has a section highlighting [2SLGBTQIA+ History and Identities in Canada](#)
- Love attending Pride in Calgary in September but don't know why it is so important? Learn more with **Calgary Pride's [History Timeline](#)**
- Looking for resources to support LGBTQ+ students but none of these seem to fit? Consider connecting with: [Centre for Sexuality](#), [Skipping Stone](#), [Calgary Queer Arts Society](#), [OUTReels](#), [Calgary Outlink](#), [End of the Rainbow Foundation](#), [Rainbow Elders Calgary](#), [Centre for Newcomers](#), [YYC Voices](#)
- **Aboriginal Awareness Week Calgary** is hosting a [National Indigenous Family Day & Powwow](#)

OUR MONTHLY BOOK RECCS



From the ATN Resource Bank!

K-4

- [Téo's Tutu](#) by Maryann Jacob Macias
- [Julián Is a Mermaid](#) by Jessica Love
- [Pride: An Inspirational History of the LGBTQ+ Movement](#) by Stella Caldwell

5-9

- [Lunar Boy](#) by Jes and Cin Wibowo
- [My Aunt is a Monster](#) by Reimena Lee
- [Hurricane Child](#) by Kacen Callender
- [Queer Heroes: Meet 53 LGBTQ Heroes from Past and Present!](#) by Arabelle Sicardi and Sarah Tanat-Jones
- [What's the T?](#) by Juno Dawson

10-12

- [Laura Dean Keeps Breaking Up With Me](#) by Mariko Tamaki
- [Disintegrate/Dissociate](#) by Arielle Twist
- [Spectrums: Autistic Transgender People in Their Own Words](#) edited by Maxfield Sparrow
- [Nate Plus One](#) by Kevin van Whye
- [Last Night at the Telegraph Club](#) by Malinda Lo

For Educators

- [Read This, Save Lives: A Teacher's Guide to Creating Safer Classrooms for LGBTQ+ Students](#) by Sameer Jha
- [Burning My Roti: Breaking Barriers as a Queer Indian Woman](#) by Sharan Dhaliwal
- [We Have Always Been Here: A Queer Muslim Memoir](#) by Samra Habib



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