

ATN NEWSLETTER

Anniversary Issue: Gender Equity, Again.



DATES OF NOTE FOR MARCH

All Month:

International Women's History Month

Theme: Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

Irish Heritage Month

Francophonie Month

March 1st - Zero Discrimination Against AIDS Day; St. David's Day; Bahá'í Nineteen Day Fast Begins; International Wheelchair Day

March 3rd - World Hearing Day

March 8th - International Women's Day

Theme: [Inspire Inclusion](#)

March 10 to April 9th - Ramadan

March 15th - International Day to Eliminate Islamophobia, International Day Against Police Brutality

March 17th - St. Patrick's Day March 18th

- Clean Monday March 18th to 24th -

Neurodiversity Week

March 19th - Spring Equinox, Nowruz (Persian New Year)

March 20th - Motoyi (Blackfoot Spring Equinox), International Francophone Day

March 21st - International Day for the

Elimination of Racial Discrimination World Down Syndrome Day; Omnisexual Awareness Day

March 22nd - World Water Day March

23rd - Earth Hour

March 23rd to 24th - Purim

March 24th - Palm Sunday

March 25th - Holi

March 25th to 27th - Hola Mohalla

March 26th - Purple Day (Epilepsy Awareness)

March 28th - Holy Thursday March 29th - Good Friday

March 30th - World Bipolar Day

March 31st - International Transgender Day of Visibility, National Indigenous Languages Day

THE WORK DEEPENS.

From the desks of the Anti-Racist Teachers' Network:

As this newsletter celebrates another anniversary edition (!!), I'm thinking more about fragility than celebration. Because every time we highlight advancements for women, something occurs that serves as a reminder of how contingent those advancements can be. The recent controversy surrounding Olympic hockey is not unique. It is a reminder that representation alone does not dismantle culture. Institutions are still remarkably skilled at protecting themselves, especially when their accountability threatens their reputation.

We can and **should** celebrate milestones. But if harm is still minimized, then we have not moved the needle. We have only adjusted the optics.

Anniversaries invite reflection, not just on what we have said, but on what has actually changed. If our commitment to equity falters the moment it becomes uncomfortable, then it was never equity to begin with.



PODCAST RECCS.

From the ATN!



Check Out:
[Gender Equity in the Classroom](#)



Check out:
[How To Be A Girl](#)

COOL STUFF!

- **Media Smart** has curated a collection of resources on **gender representation** in the media.
- A ton of **cool lessons and toolkits** from **SOGI123**.
- **Conversation cards** from **IWD** that spark inclusivity and inspire conversation.
- **National Film Board of Canada's mini lesson** on Our Maternal Home and Stories Are in Our Bones.
- From the **Government of Canada**, a timeline of **Women in Canadian History**.
- A **visual exploration** of gender inequality statistics from **Flourish**.
- **IWD's Challenging Stereotypes Facilitators guide** for International Women's Day.
- **Lean In Girls** provides a **curriculum** to equip girls to be self-assured, resilient, and inclusive everyday leaders.
- **YYC Local Event!**
 - March 7th - **Women's Health Symposium** at the Calgary Public Library
 - March 7th - **A Conversation on Womanhood**
 - March 28th - **Break the Pattern – A Women Techmakers Calgary Experience**



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Come see the ATN at:

DEHR PRESENTS: NAVIGATING DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & HUMAN RIGHTS IN EDUCATION



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OUR MONTHLY BOOK RECCS

From the ATN Resource Bank!

K-4

My Shadow Is Pink by Scott Stuart
Angus All Aglow by Heather Smith
Calvin by Jr Ford and Vanessa Ford
I Am Jazz by Jessica Herthel and Jazz Jennings
It Feels Good to Be Yourself by Theresa Thorn
Julián Is a Mermaid by Jessica Love

5-9

We Should All Be Feminists by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
Melissa by Alex Gino
The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros
Pet by Akwaeke Emezi
This Book Is Gay by Juno Dawson

10-12

The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas
Gender Outlaw by Kate Bornstein
Stone Butch Blues by Leslie Feinberg
The Poet X by Elizabeth Acevedo
All Boys Aren't Blue by George M. Johnson

For Educators

We Should All Be Feminists by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
Beyond the Gender Binary by Alok Vaid-Menon
Teaching to Transgress by bell hooks

