



Stories of Decolonization Film Series



Dear Friends, Partners, and Allies,

We welcome you to learn more about pathways to decolonization alongside the Stories of Decolonization film project and curriculum series. The films share personal stories in exploring colonialism and its continued impact on those living on the lands now called Canada and explores notions and actions towards decolonization.

We are honoured to share these films with you and hope you view and consider the materials as you develop classroom content, professional development sessions, or learning groups. The films and resources are free to access on the Stories of Decolonization website. Be sure to check out the curriculum guides and learning tools to build awareness and to support deeper engagement with concepts of decolonization.

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Dr. Gladys Rowe



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About the Series

Stories of Decolonization is a multi-film interview-based documentary project created by Elizabeth Carlson-Manathara, Teddy Zegeye-Gebrehiwot, and Gladys Rowe. The series shares personal stories in order to explore accessible understandings of colonialism and its continued impacts on those living on the lands now called Canada. The films are meant to offer a learning space for everyone – and will be a good resource for those who work with or look to engage with Indigenous peoples.

The curriculum guides provide activities and discussion prompts to learn about terminology, personal reflections, and resources to support ongoing conversations. The guides are tailored for individual and/or group learning and provides facilitators with tools to support meaningful experiences in classrooms and workshops.

Storytellers in the Series include:

Leah Gazan, Joy Eidse, Steve Heinrichs, Monique Woroniak, Murray Angus, David Bleakney, Chickadee Richard, Niigaanwewidam James Sinclair, Leanne Betasamosake Simpson, Tasha Hubbard, Clarissa Lassaline, Niizhoosake Saagimakwe (Sherry Copenance), Tasha Spillett, Warren Cariou, Mathieu Paille, Darryl Leroux, Leona Star, Darnel T. Forro, Adam Barker, David MacDonald, Shaista Aziz Patel, Chelsea Vowel, Victoria Freeman, Bilan Arte, Aimee Craft, Kimberly Hart, Gladys Rowe, Elizabeth Carlson-Manathara and Teddy Zegeye-Gebrehiwot.

Film 1: Stories of Decolonization: Land Dispossession and Settlement

Running Time: 27:02 minutes

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7xOrUo-SoJw&t=3s>

This is the first film of the series, that focuses on stories of personal and ancestral connections to the lands that some people refer to as Canada. Come experience this film, build awareness, participate in dialogue, and take action!

Curriculum Guide (English):

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/13eBfDv0SWxL1ksLHc8M8OkhquNvsLmkk/view>

Curriculum Guide (French):

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ueVU_lpiMVvCYU6nPPqsR7li4zWSOfd/view

Film 2: Stories of Decolonization: (De)Colonial Relations

Running Time: 58:56 minutes

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CHlo8LX-ebo>

This is the second film in the series, is the project's newest release. In this bilingual film (French and English, with subtitles), personal stories are woven into key insights about ongoing processes and structures of colonialism in Canada and the relationships and social locations carried by diverse peoples living on lands occupied by the Canadian state. With sensitivity to the intersectional oppressions experienced by diverse groups and the challenges these present, the film illuminates pathways forward toward solidarity, deeper relationality, and decolonization.

The film is available in English, English & French, French subtitles, and Anishinaabemowin subtitles here: <https://www.storiesofdecolonization.org/film-two.html>

Curriculum Guide (English):

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1V-vZgiYcGTR-3NbAJC_JVW8r8RtCcNA/view

Curriculum Guide (French):

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/10-MwL9yk-5Jx5qfjFwcdJF60JANWiMJ4/view>

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