

THE COMMUNITY'S YW



National Day for Truth & Reconciliation

The [Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada Call to Action #80](#) states: "We call upon the federal government, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, to establish, as a statutory holiday, a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to honour Survivors, their families, and communities, and ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process"

Friday, September 30 marks the 2nd annual National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in honour of the survivors of residential schools and those who continue to feel the impact.

Truth & Reconcili-action Challenge

Here at YW Calgary, for the month of September we have been committed to Truth & Reconcili-action.

A group from across YW have developed a toolkit, complete with several resources and activities to help keep the reconciliation conversation going all year long.

You can download the [YW Toolkit for Truth & Reconciliation Learning](#) if you are looking for ideas on how to participate



Truth & Reconciliation Week Events in Calgary

[Métis Memories of Residential School](#)

University of Calgary | September 27

Join Métis scholars, Dr. Yvonne Poitras Pratt and Billie-Jo Grant, in this important presentation shedding light on the Métis experience and addressing the historical biases and racism they have encountered.

The Importance of Language to Young People with Storytelling through Rock Painting

Trellis | September 29

"Áísínai'pi" means to write on stone. Rock painting provides exceptional testimony to the living cultural traditions of the Blackfoot People. You and your family are invited to learn through traditional rock painting as you hear stories, humour and traditional teachings from an Elder and community leaders.

Indigenous Storytelling

YW Calgary | September 29

Join YW Calgary's Family Resource Network and Elder Randy Turning Robe as he shares stories with little ones ages 0-6.

Reviving Our Spirit with Language

Trellis | September 30

Join Trellis for a rich cultural experience on the importance of language reclamation, as we tackle the struggle, the hopes, and the actions that we may all take on our journeys to language reclamation and reconciliACTION.

Indigenous Awareness: The Blanket Exercise

Calgary Public Library | September 30

The KAIROS Blanket Exercise is an experiential exercise that looks at the lived experience of Indigenous people within Canadian history. Join to be part of this immersive experience and examine our shared colonial legacy.

Orange Shirt Day Walking Tour

Fort Calgary | September 30

This National Truth and Reconciliation Day (Orange Shirt Day), join a free walking tour where we will confront the colonial history of Fort Calgary, discuss our ongoing work to decolonize the stories we tell, and share insights about what we have learned about reconciliation so far.

Pokaiks - The Children: Orange Shirt Day Event 2022

Prince's Island Park | September 30

Calgarians are invited to participate in the walk to honour and stand in solidarity with survivors and victims of the residential school system.

Orange Shirt Day: Afternoon Panel Discussion

UCalgary & Calgary Public Library | September 30

Join UCalgary's Office of Indigenous Engagement for a panel discussion revisiting the commitments of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in light of the unmarked graves, and our path forward.

Night Raiders Film Screening and Discussion

Calgary Public Library | September 30

Set in a post-war future that follows the journey of a mother trying to rescue her daughter from a state-run institution, this dystopian sci-fi film digs deep into Canada's painful past and examines the forced assimilation of Indigenous peoples.

Remembering the Children

Government of Canada | September 30

A 1-hour national commemorative gathering will be broadcast live from Ottawa's LeBreton Flats. Check your local listings.

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