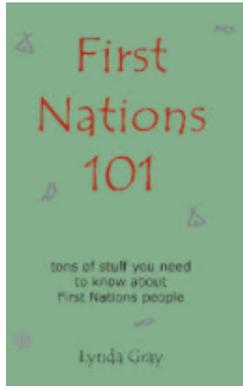


NLPS Book Recommendations for Feb. 2017

Non- Fiction:

First nations 101

Lynda Gray



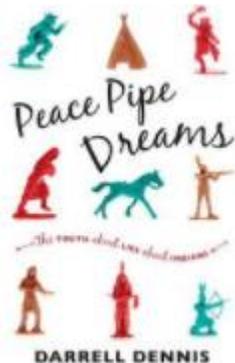
<http://www.firstnations101.com/>

First Nations 101 is an easy to read primer that provides readers with a broad overview of the diverse and complex lives of First Nations people. It is packed with more than 70 subjects including education, youth, child welfare, urbanization, appropriate questions to ask a First Nations person, feminism, the medicine wheel, Two-spirit (LGBTQ), residential schools, the land bridge theory, and language preservation.

Peace Pipe Dreams: The Truth about lies about Indians

Darrell Michael

Dennis

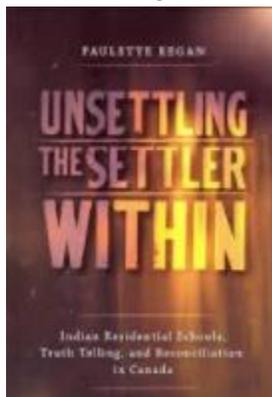


<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/23360084-peace-pipe-dreams>

With a large dose of humour and irreverence, Darrell Michael Dennis looks at European-Native interactions in North America from the moment of first contact, discussing the fur trade, treaty-signing and the implementation of residential schools. Addressing misconceptions still widely believed today, Dennis explains why Native people aren't genetically any more predisposed to become alcoholics than Caucasians; that Native religion doesn't consist of worshipping rocks, disappearing into thin air, or conversing with animals; and that tax exemptions are so limited and confusing that many people don't even bother.

Unsettling the Settler Within

Paulette Regan



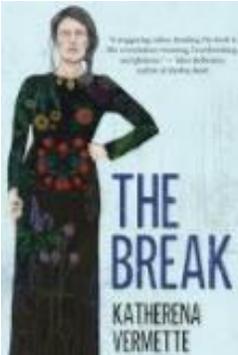
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Paulette Regan is the director of research with the TRC. In her book, Unsettling the Settler Within, she provides a useful summary of the government's response to the legacy of the residential schools and an explanation of how the TRC came to be established, then plunges into its real subject, which is the need to address the myths of Canadian history.

Fiction:

The Break Katherena Vermette

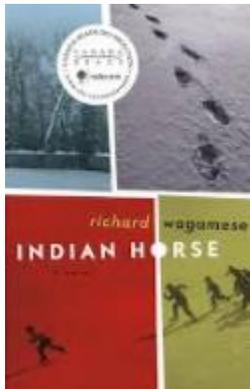


<https://houseofanansi.com/products/the-break>

When Stella, a young Métis mother, looks out her window one evening and spots someone in trouble on the Break — a barren field on an isolated strip of land outside her house — she calls the police to alert them to a possible crime.

In a series of shifting narratives, people who are connected, both directly and indirectly, with the victim — police, family, and friends — tell their personal stories leading up to that fateful night.

Indian Horse ~ Coming to Theatres this SPRING!! Richard Wagamese

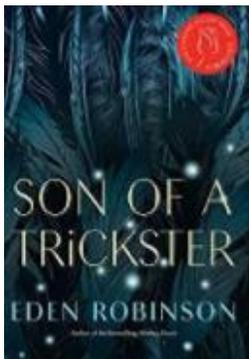


<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/11994903-indian-horse>

Movie: <https://www.tiff.net/tiff/indian-horse/>

Saul Indian Horse has hit bottom. His last binge almost killed him, and now he's a reluctant resident in a treatment centre for alcoholics, surrounded by people he's sure will never understand him. But Saul wants peace, and he grudgingly comes to see that he'll find it only through telling his story. With him, readers embark on a journey back through the life he's led as a northern Ojibway, with all its joys and sorrows. With compassion and insight, author Richard Wagamese traces through his fictional characters the decline of a culture and a cultural way.

Son of a Trickster Eden Robinson



<https://penguinrandomhouse.ca/books/532532/son-trickster#9780345810793>

Jared can't count on his mom to stay sober and stick around to take care of him. He can't rely on his dad to pay the bills and support his new wife and step-daughter. Jared is only sixteen but feels like he is the one who must stabilize his family's life, even look out for his elderly neighbours. But he struggles to keep everything afloat...and sometimes he blacks out. And he puzzles over why his maternal grandmother has never liked him, why she says he's the son of a trickster, that he isn't human. Mind you, ravens speak to him—even when he's stoned.