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# Why Are We Here?

# Who Are We?

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In 2018, a group of interested individuals from the First Nations and Indigenous Studies Program, UBC Library, and the Centre for Teaching and Learning Technology at the University of British Columbia came together to develop the first #HonouringIndigenousWriters Wikipedia Edit-a-thon.



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# Why Wikipedia?

Wikipedia is a multilingual, web-based, free encyclopedia based on a model of open community generated knowledge. The community driven nature of Wikipedia is meant to support Wikipedia's goal of providing "...every single person on the planet is given free access to the sum of all human knowledge." <sup>2</sup> However, well documented systematic bias including information gaps, exclusions, diversity of articles and editors, and assumptions about neutrality and notability greatly impacts the information that can be found in an information source with millions of views per day.

The #HonouringIndigenousWriters Wikipedia Edita-thon sought to improve the coverage of Indigenous writers on Wikipedia and to encourage diverse community editors to actively work to dissuade assumptions about Indigenous literature by raising their profile in this increasingly influential information source.

### GOALS

- Increase the visibility of Indigenous writers in Wikipedia
- Engage the community in open education practices using Wikipedia
- Improve the quality of Indigenous writers
   Wikipedia pages
- Ensure the planning processes and practices work in good faith with the Indigenous writers identified for article editing



#### WEEKS BEFORE THE EVENT

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- Create an Event Dashboard using the <u>Wikipedia Programs and Events</u>

  <u>Dashboard</u> (<a href="https://outreachdashboard.wmflabs.org/">https://outreachdashboard.wmflabs.org/</a>).
- Create a Wikipedia meetup page with:
  - Date, Time, and Location
  - Event Preparation Materials, including: Creating an account; Sign-in to the edit-a thon Dashboard
  - List of articles to edit
  - Resources, including: Videos on learning to edit; Advanced tutorial resources
- Create a Communication Plan announcing the event. This should include email, social media (e.g. Tumblr, Facebook, Twitter), and print sources.
- Identify listservs and sites to advertise your event
- Engage with Community
  - Identify local Wikipedians and invite them to the event
  - Identify organizations and community groups that may be interested in participating
- Optional Secure computers for guests and/or notify guests that laptops are required
- If possible, secure food and/or refreshments for the event
- Secure a volunteer to photograph the event. Remember to secure permissions before taking any images.



#### DAY BEFORE THE EVENT

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- Print out attendance list
- Optional Ensure computers for guest are available
- Send out event reminder to registrants

#### DURING THE EVENT

- Arrive early to set up equipment and greet guests
- Make sure every attendee signs the registration sheet and a release form
- Take pictures or confirm that a photographer is present
- Use social media to document the event as it is happening (e.g. Twitter)
- Remind attendees to sign into the dashboard before editing

#### WEEK AFTER THE EVENT

- Develop a short event recap with dashboard metrics to show impact
- Gather anecdotes from attendees to include in the re-cap or screen-cap social media posts related to the event



You will need to communicate about your event through social media outlets and perhaps through press releases. You will also need to communicate to participants for the event. Feel free to copy, edit, and use the following templates messages for your communication plan.

#### EMAIL PARTICIPANTS

Subject line: #HonouringIndigenousWriters Wikipedia Edit-a-thon

Dear Name of Recipients,

On Date, we will be hosting #Honouring Indigenous Writers Wikipedia Edit-a-thon, built out of Daniel Heath Justice's #HonouringIndigenousWriters hashtag. The event is designed to support and celebrate Indigenous writers while empowering participants to share their knowledge and ideas with Wikipedia.

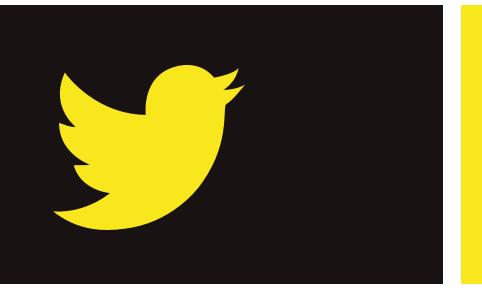
No experience--or tech savvy--is necessary. Volunteers will be on hand to guide participants through every step of the process. Everyone is welcome and you are not required to attend the full session. Drop-in or come by with a group and work together on an article. The atmosphere will be fun and community-oriented with lots of opportunities to learn and share.

We want this event to be a big success. Please consider attending and/or sharing this event your students/colleagues/friends/social media networks.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me at anytime.

Sincerely, Name

Event details can be found at: Link to Event Details



Use Twitter to reach out to the community using the #HonouringIndigenousWriters hashtag.



Securing the local media to write your event is s a great way to get more folks to participate. Here's an email template to help you in reaching out to writers for the help in making your event a success.

#### EMAIL FOR MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

Dear Name of Recipient,

I hope this email finds you well!

My name is Name and I am organizing #HonouringIndigenousWriters Wikipedia Edit-a -Thon at Location on Date & Time.

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We are hoping to raise awareness about this work and encourage additional partnerships across interested institutions and organizations.

I really like the writing you've done about Give A Specific Example and I think this project is a good fit for your publication. I'd be delighted to talk more about it at your convenience.

Thanks for your time and all best wishes,

Name

**Contact Information** 



Ohaegbu, C. (March 6, 2019). "Indigenous Writers Edit-a-Thon creates online change through Wikipedia edits." The Ubyssey
<a href="http://bit.ly/Ubyssey\_HIW">http://bit.ly/Ubyssey\_HIW</a>



The #HonouringIndigenouswriters Wikipedia Edit-a-thon group had a number of discussions around ensuring this project was working in good faith with Indigenous writers. At the core of our discussions was the desire to ensure the project respected cultural integrity and to ensure Indigenous perspectives and experiences guided the decision-making processes.

With this in mind, the following processes were integrated into the event development:

- Emails were sent to writers to inform them of the event to ask for permission to create or improve their Wikipedia article
- Requests were also made for the kind of information they would like to see represented in their article. All information received was cited using Wikipedia rules of reliable sources.
- If the writers declined or did not respond to the email, they were respectfully removed from the editing list

We encourage all event organizers to follow this process.

#### EMAIL TO AUTHORS

Subject Line: Indigenous Writers Edit-a thon - Seeking Permissions Hello Name of Author,

I am organizing an event focusing on Indigenous writers. Our goal is to raise the profile of Indigenous writers in Wikipedia, a multilingual, web-based, free encyclopedia based on a model of open community-generated knowledge. Working originally from Daniel Heath Justice's #HonouringIndigenousWriters list, we have collated a number of articles to improve and expand in hopes of increasing the diversity of knowledge and voices within this open space. Before we begin editing, we would like to gain your permission to make improvements to your Wikipedia article.

Please let us know if we can move ahead with editing your article and any areas that you may want to see improved. If we do not hear from you, we will respectfully remove you from our list of articles to edit.

Thank you for considering.

Name

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## #HonouringIndigenousWriters Poster (printable)

Created by Robin Mitchell Cranfield for the Indigenous Literary Studies Association 2017

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## #HonouringIndigenousWriters Wikipedia Edit-a Thon Logos

Logos for planning this event can be found at:

https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:Honouring\_Indigenous\_Writers\_Logos

# Wikipedia Programs & Event Dashboard

Create your event registration through the dashboard: <a href="https://outreachdashboard.wmflabs.org/">https://outreachdashboard.wmflabs.org/</a>

Create a Wikipedia event page with resources and articles to edit: <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Meetup">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Meetup</a>

For example, review the main meet-up page:

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