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## #RisingYouth Grantee Newsletter: July Edition

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Hello #RisingYouth Grantees,

Welcome back for another edition of the #RisingYouth Grantee Newsletter! This month, we are focusing on “Bonds Between Cultures”. We will be highlighting grantee projects that speak to the beauty of cultural diversity. We will also be bringing you resources you can check out to learn more about different cultures. Don’t forget to check the newsletter for this month’s giveaway winner and news about upcoming events!

The #RisingYouth Grantee Support Team

## GRANTEE STORIES



### North African Queer Film Festival / Bouchra, QC

*The North African Queer Film Festival (NAQFF) is organized and curated by Dhakira Collective and is set to take place from August 13th to the 20th, 2021.*

It will include screenings of award-winning films by filmmakers from the North African region and its diasporas that explore queer identity and sexuality in North Africa. It will also include workshops, panel discussions as well as a virtual closing party in collaboration with Blush. Dhakira Collective is a Montreal-based archival, curatorial and research platform that foregrounds art and cinema outside the western canon.

Photo credit: My Name Is Not Ali (2011) dir. Viola Shafik

This LGBTQ+ Two-Spirit group is hosting an evening event where local artists teach youth how to make traditional beaded feathers. The intention is to bring the youth in the community together for a fun, interactive, and inclusive event where they can learn more about their culture and find pride in their own Two-Spirit identities.



### Two-Spirit Beaded Feather Workshop / Pasha, NB



Homecoming is a poetry program for Asian-identifying Canadian Youth to explore their dual identity through poetry.



### Homecoming: Youth Poetry Program / Ivy, ON

With four workshops accumulating in a spoken word expo and digital publication, this program is a call-to-action for all Canadians to come together to combat all forms of anti-Asian racism and discrimination by celebrating and developing Asian voices. Homecoming's goal is to create a ripple effect of story-telling in the immigrant experience.

## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

### July 15th, 2021: Grantee Support Webinar

The #RisingYouth team would like to invite you to join us for another Grantee Support Webinar! This time, we will be showcasing a new budgeting resource that is now available for download on the Grantee Support Hub. We will also be walking you through the process of submitting your report and discussing some exciting opportunities that will become available to you once you become a #RisingYouth Alumni! There will also be a Q&A period where you can ask your Grantee Support Coordinator questions!

[Register Here for the Webinar!](#)

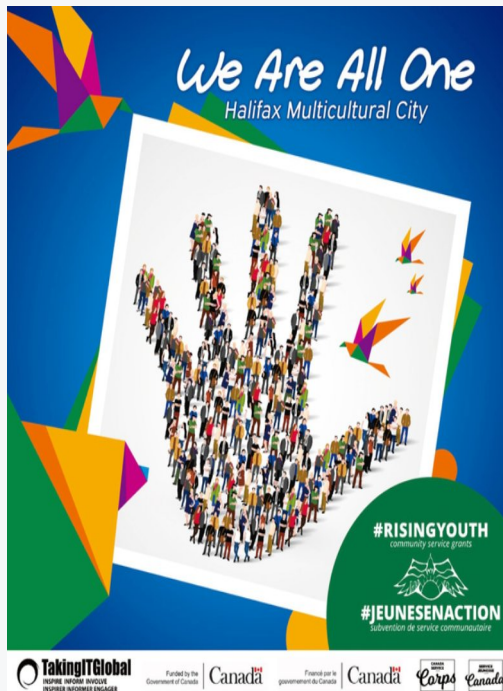
*The Grantee Webinar will also be available in French LIVE on July 22, [please click here to register for the French webinar.](#)*



Add YOUR event to our [#RisingYouth Calendar!](#)

You can check out the Calendar on the Grantee Support Hub for upcoming #RisingYouth events in the month of June! Watch this [quick tutorial video](#) to learn how!

## Recommendations of the Month



**E-BOOK: We Are All One: Halifax Multicultural City by Aseel Mohammed Ali, #RisingYouth Alumni**

[Free Download Here >>](#)

“The Multiculturalism of Halifax has inspired me to create this book. I believe that all the cultures and religions are based on love and everyone has their own way to practice it. In this book, you will learn about different cultures from youth who choose Halifax to be their new home and you will be surprised by the number of the different communities living here in Halifax as one big Family.”

Excerpt From: Aseel Mohammed Ali. “We Are All One.” Apple Books.

“We Are All One” is a book showing the beautiful multiculturalism in Halifax, NS and written by 17 youth from many different communities and backgrounds.



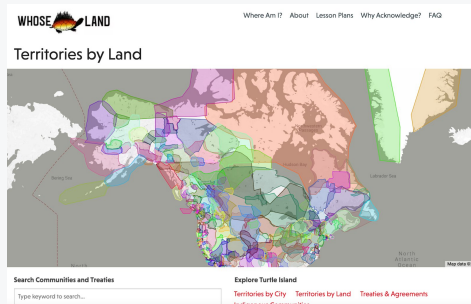
**FILM: Canadian Residential Schools: The Survivors & Their Descendants by the Ballantyne Project**

It was produced as an educational tool, in conjunction with Orange Shirt Day 2020 and was shared with educators and administrators in several provinces across Canada. Since January 2020, thousands of students have attended Dwight’s live presentations. Dwight offers a live version of this same

*This film was created by Dwight Ballantyne who is a #RisingYouth Alumni.*

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presentation for School District Professional Days and other organizations who would also like to gain a deeper understanding of Canada's history that still affects youth and young adults living in remote First Nations today.



### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT RESOURCE: Whose Land

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“As we engage in processes of reconciliation it is critical that land acknowledgements don't become a token gesture. They are not meant to be static, scripted statements that every person must recite in exactly the same way. They are expressions of relationship, acknowledging not just the territory someone is on, but that person's connection to that land based on knowledge that has been shared with them.”  
Lindsay DuPré - Metis Nation

## AND THE WINNER IS... MICHAEL CARROLL!

Congratulations on receiving a gift card to [SnackMagic](#) - a 100% customizable snack box with over 500 menu options!

Every month, we will randomly select a grantee to win a prize!

Feel free to share your prize & tag @risingyouthtig on Instagram!

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# GRANTEE SUPPORT HUB

The Grantee Support Hub is full of resources created by the #RisingYouth team to help you succeed in your community project.

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## PROJECT REPORT

**You could be one step away from becoming an Alumni!**

If your project is completed, please take a few minutes to submit your Project Report on the [web form](#) OR by using the [#RisingYouth Mobile App](#).

As a #RisingYouth Alumni, you can become ambassadors for our program and see all kinds of doors and opportunities open to you. To learn about the importance of submitting your Project Report, read our [blog post!](#)

ALUMNI CHAMPION - TERENCE D'SOUZA



Terence is the leader of Young Ontarians United which is a project funded by #RisingYouth to unite youth voices in Ontario regarding the challenges faced due to COVID-19 amidst marginalized groups on the provincial stage. This project served to highlight the youth's voices, their passions and their leadership in the present as well as the future.

Terence's passion towards youth engagement translated to many #RisingYouth projects that he took leadership roles in, such as being a host for the #RisingYouth video capsule series. He conducted interviews with #RisingYouth Alumni and Grantee to showcase and learn of their projects, their passions and what makes them a true community leader. If this is something you're interested in being involved in as a Grantee, you can let your Grantee Support Coordinator know!

He also facilitated a focus group discussion for Visible Minorities, gathering their feedback on the #RisingYouth program and how to provide better support for the community. This led to him being a speaker in one of our recent events, Perspectives from Coast to Coast: Round Table with Researchers, where he came forward as a youth researcher to share his expertise with other community experts on how to engage youth as future changemakers.

Throughout all his engagements, he holds the firm conviction that youth must be authentically engaged in the present democracy, especially in the making of decisions that directly impact their lives.

There is still more to look forward to even after you have finished your project. Once you complete your project report you can unlock access to the various Alumni opportunities.

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