Spirit of the Children Society

TEACHINGS

Red Dress Day



MAY 5TH IS NATIONAL DAY OF AWARENESS FOR MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN AND GIRLS (MMIWG)

The REDress Project by Jaime Black (Métis) is a public art installation that was created in response to the missing and murdered Indigenous women (MMIWG) in Canada and the United States. The on-going project began in 2010 and commemorates missing and murdered indigenous women from the First Nations, Inuit, Métis, and Native American communities by hanging empty red dresses in a range of environments. The project has also inspired other artists to use red to draw attention to the issue of MMIWG, and prompted the creation of **Red Dress Day**.

In the 14-year period from 2001 to 2015, Statistics Canada reported the homicide rate for Indigenous women was nearly six times higher than that for non-Indigenous women.







MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN, GIRLS AND TWO-SPIRIT PEOPLE (MMIWG2S+) WILL BE REMEMBERED

You can help make our communities safer for women, girls, and gender diverse individuals by doing one of the following:

1. Educate yourself and others on MMIWG.
2. Spend time with an Elder connecting with your culture.
3. Donate to an Indigenous Organization.
4. Support Indigenous Business.
5. Spend time with you mother, grandmother, aunty, daughter, and/or niece and tell them you love them.

By raising our voices together, we honor the missing and murdered and help to make the changes needed for our communities to be safe for everyone.

#NationalDayofAwareness #MMIW #MMIWG #NoMoreStolenSisters