

ACTIVITY SHEET



UNDERSTANDING AND BUILDING OUR WORLD AND OUR STORIES TOGETHER

At the McCord Museum, we use objects, stories and shared experiences to help our visitors better understand the world around them, no matter their age or background.

With our **participatory approach** and our **civic perspective**, we prioritize **observation**, **interrogation**, and **dialogue** in our virtual activities.

Type of activity: Workshop

Activity title: Truth and reconciliation: My allyship in action toward Indigenous nations

Target audience: Secondary, CEGEP, university, adult

Educational area: Social sciences – Personal development (Ethics and Religion) – History and civilizations – Arts – Sociology – Philosophy – Indigenous studies

Length: 45 minutes

Description of the activity

Reconciliation must be achieved through dialogue, and that is the reason why reconciliation actions aim to include non-Indigenous people in this process. It is a call for action and reflection on the participants' ability to take concrete steps toward reconciliation. The process starts right here and now, with you!

This activity focuses on sharing the message that reconciliation is everyone's responsibility and that there are straightforward actions everyone—even high school students—can take. It is a call for action and reflection on the participants' ability to take concrete steps toward reconciliation.

Through the workshop, participants will better understand how to be allies in Indigenous struggles. The activity will spark reflection on the individual and collective actions to prompt dialogue rather than speak on others' behalf. Participants are invited to consider the impacts of colonization and contribute to an intercultural approach that initiates a conversation for future generations.

Strategies

- Questions and discussions

Attitudes developed

- Self-actualization
- Intercultural perspective

Major themes addressed

• Open-mindedness

In the effervescence of large city centres, cultures mix and mingle. Ways of living, being and doing enrich each other. From this diversity, emerge curiosities that are the source of renewed dialogue.

• Transforming the world

Humans have always wanted to control their environment by creating machines, devices, objects and new techniques. These inventions enrich our daily lives and transform our relationship to the world.

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WORKSHOP – *Truth and reconciliation: My allyship in action toward Indigenous nations*

Required materials and preparation

- 1 computer with an Internet connection, speakers, a microphone and, ideally, a webcam.
- 1 projector, when the activity takes place in classroom

The video should be projected on a large screen (IWB, large television, screen, etc.)

When the reservation is confirmed, the Museum will provide the teacher with a **detailed PDF document containing the list of actions required for the workshop**. This list should be shared with participants by the group leader.

The group will be divided into smaller groups of 3 to 5 participants to facilitate discussion.

Sign in

The cultural mediator will interact with the group through **Zoom**.

Once your reservation has been confirmed, you will receive detailed sign in information for the platform Zoom. It is strongly recommended that you acquaint yourself with the sign in process before the start of the virtual activity.

Workshop – Process

Participants are invited to learn more about 20 of the 150 reconciliation actions selected based on their age group. These actions aim to spark a reflection on allyship.

The *Truth and reconciliation: My allyship in action toward Indigenous nations* workshop will raise participants' awareness of individual actions toward reconciliation.

In small groups, participants will select three priority actions and discuss their impacts.

The group leader must remain connected on Zoom and / or close to the computer at all times during the activity to intervene if need be.

INFORMATION

Museum address: 690 Sherbrooke Street West, Montreal QC H3A 1E9
The group entrance is located at 2175 Victoria Street.

Rate for online activities: 5 \$

Minimum number of participants required: 4 people

Reservation

Reservations must be made online using the form.

For more information on our programming or activities, contact the education department by email at reservations@mccord-stewart.ca or by phone at 514-861-6701, Ext. 2234.

Requests must be sent **at least 3 weeks** before the desired date of your visit. It will not be possible to modify requests sent after this deadline.

Reservation confirmation and preparation

You will receive a reservation confirmation by email, along with all the documents providing useful information to prepare for your visit or your activity.

Payment

Activities with a Museum mediator must be paid upon invoicing, by cheque, credit card or bank transfer.

It is possible to pay before the visit upon request.

Payment on site is only possible for self-guided groups.

Cancellation or modification

It is possible to cancel the reservation free of charge **at least 1 week** before the date of the visit.

No cancellation will be accepted after this deadline, and you will be invoiced the full rate.

Modifications to reservations are subject to availability, and must be requested by email at least 2 weeks before the desired date of the visit.

Requests sent after this deadline will be treated on a case-by-case basis depending on availability.

You will receive a confirmation email if your request for change has been accepted. All changes must be confirmed by email to be valid.