

Rogues & Waves: a Northern Bay disaster

John W. Goodland

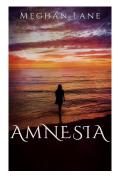
It's September 1775, and the greatest hurricane to ever pummel eastern Newfoundland has forced a massive rogue wave into Northern Bay, a quiet inlet on the western side of Conception Bay. The wave destroys everything and everyone in its path except for one boy who barely survives, tied to the mast of a small boat. That's where the history ends. This is the story of that boy. Before the wave, Cormac Mullally had an idyllic life growing up with his family in Northern Bay. The Mullallys made a meagre living from fishing cod and squid in the waters of Conception Bay and picked blueberries in the hills above their shoreside home. As Irish Catholics living in an English Protestant world, with all the prejudices and penal laws that came with it, the Mullallys kept themselves to themselves except when life required they set sail for St. John's Town to sell their catch and barter for goods with the fish merchants. Discovered days later still tied to the beached boat, hungry and dehydrated, Cormac is 'rescued' and taken to St. John's by William English, a fish merchant out from Town. Ever the opportunist, William, or Ol' Billy as he is known to most, presses Cormac into a contract of servitude to satisfy the debts of his father. But trouble plagues Cormac, and his contract is bartered away to end up in the hands of the Mullally family in Limerick, back in the Old Country. Ireland holds little comfort for Cormac, and he quickly understands why his parents left in the first place. Not all family is good family. Combined with the discovery that Catholic prejudice is not limited to the New World but is ripe and aged in the Old World as well, Cormac struggles to find the one thing he desires most a place to belong.



Ladies in the Lane

Chris Ryan 2023

There hasn't been a murder in the small, rural community of Bay Bulls, Newfoundland, since the British fought the French in the seventeenth century, but now there have been four in just two years. And the killer is getting bolder with each new victim. It's going to take every bit of ingenuity of three experienced RCMP detectives to catch Newfoundland's first serial killer.



Amnesia

Meghan Lane 2023

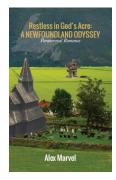
I remember loving him so much it hurts. Who is he? This is the question Jennifer Eveleigh asks herself when her memory partially returns and she remembers loving a man who is a stranger to her. What makes it worse is she is living with Jase Collins, and she loves him too! Jennifer and Jase meet and fall in love, pretty much at first sight. It would have been a fairy-tale romance if Jennifer hadn't been engaged to Sam. Obviously that situation has to be resolved, and it is, but not before Jennifer and Jase end up sharing some passionate nights together in her house beside the Atlantic Ocean in eastern Newfoundland. When circumstances finally allow Jennifer to break up with Sam, who lives an hour away, Jennifer and Jase are excited to be able to finally move on with their life together, but she hits a moose with her car, and ends up with broken bones, a severe concussion, and amnesia. Jase brings Jennifer back home and nurses her back to physical health, but her amnesia persists. Although her brain refuses to remember Jase, her body remembers her response to him, so with a little encouragement from Jase, she falls in love with him all over again, and it appears that they will be able to resume their romance. Then the memories start. The man at the centre of all of them is not Jase or Sam, but Jennifer knows she is wholeheartedly in love with him. How can that be when she loves Jase? With a little digging, which coincidently involves Jase's previous love interest, they discover that the man in the memories is Greg, Jennifer's high school sweetheart. They had lived together during her last year of university while he was in medical school, but had broken up when Greg had cheated on her. Jennifer couldn't remember the pain of the betrayal, only that she loved Greg deeply. What will she do?



How to Be Alone

Heather Nolan Goose Lane Editions, 2023

Heather Nolan returns with How to Be Alone, a pair of novellas that depict the euphoric highs of a Queer awakening and the crushing lows of feeling Othered in a world that isn't built for you. In this short but weighty book, Nolan explores themes such as isolation, trauma, and loss against the vibrant streets of Montreal. Here, in a city famous for bringing people together, the streets serve as a palette with a different purpose: a foil for those struggling to connect with the world around them.



Restless in God's Acre: a Newfoundland odyssey

Alex Marvel 2022

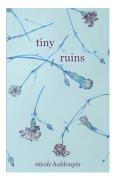
It was a done deal. Derek will return to Bombay from his Newfoundland sojourn. Get married to his lady love he has been romancing for years. Have a Newfoundland honeymoon and settle down to cozy family life. His wife-to-be is already two months pregnant. He wished for a daughter to be his firstborn child. Derek was crestfallen when that didn't happen. He refused to accept the shattering of his dream on the eve of its impending reality. Fate can't be that cruel. He has a bounden duty towards his loved ones to ensure their wellbeing. He is not going to the astral home; not until he finds a way to redeem at least a semblance of the sublime life vision he has conjured up. Years roll by. His sweetheart is married and delivers an angelic baby girl. Mother names her Geeta. She grows up to be a stately beautiful lady. There's now an urgency developing propelling Derek to act; do or die he has to act fast. But, he is already dead. A dastardly, sophisticated womanizer plans to violate Geeta, make her his mistress, and devastate and scar her for life. Derek has to speedily find a way to save Geeta and, ensure her protection for all time. His only recourse for help is his childhood buddy Dr. Saxena, a highly evolved spiritual being endowed with shamanic faculties. Dr. Saxena has strong misgiving. The only way out is the difficult-to-sustain process of transfiguration. Derek implores Dr. Saxena to go for it together. Will it work? Will Geeta be saved, the rogue punished and Derek's rambling soul get peace? Ends where it began; in scenic Newfoundland.



The Last of the Dragons

Paul Carberry Engen Books, 2022

Parents tell their children fairy tales of brave knights who slay the dragon and save the kingdom. Then children grow up and tell themselves that they are brave enough to explore the deep marshes and humid swamps that surround their community, because they believe the stories are simply that: stories and fables. They tell themselves that they are safe. But there is no 'safe'. Now an ancient evil has risen, a legendary beast, a fiercely hungry creature larger than anything humans have ever imagined. A sea monster of gnashing teeth pulled up from the depths of the past, that has never evolved since its conception... Because, as the most fearsome apex predator to ever roam the Earth, it is already perfect.



Tiny Ruins

Also available as a digital audiobook. **Nicole Haldoupis**

Radiant Press. 2020

Tiny Ruins is a coming-of-age and coming out story that follows Alana, as she grows up, discovers, and tries to understand her bisexuality. Small windows offer us a glimpse of Alana's memories, often fragmentary, fleeting, and touching. When she confides in her sister that she is attracted to girls, she is met with disbelief, and so the secret is kept and Alana continues as the outsider looking in.



The Boarding House on Brazil Square: volumes 1 and 2

Jim Morrissey 2013, 2014

This is the ongoing story of a boarding house in St. John's, in the late 1940's and the assortment of unique characters that make up its clientele. The culture and social norms of the day are interwoven into the story-line. Sometimes dramatic, sometimes romantic, often humorous, and always interesting, the interactions between the various boarders parallels that of a large family as the story progresses day by day.



The Mystery on Madrock

Barry Goldthorpe

2023

Set in the beautiful region of Newfoundland, Canada, a middle-aged couple try to come to terms with a marital problem as result of his obsession from an unwelcome visitor from the past. As their world is turned upside down by an eerie turn of events, compelling him into unravelling an odious mystery, he must ignore the taunts, defy the odds, justify his self-sacrifice and find the truth. Only then, has he any chance of regaining any happiness, and... his sanity.



The Case of the Old Man With the Hat

Marshall Godwin

Felsenmeer Word, 2021

Charlie and Mary, at the end of the book *Charlie Freake from Scilly Cove*, decide to start a private investigator agency called Charlie and Private Eyes. This is the first book in a series that details the cases they work on and the trouble they get into. **The Case of the Old Man with the Hat**, tells of an early case they take on which is somewhat humorous, and the main case about a man who stole a winning lottery ticket, sewed it in the lining of his fedora, but then had it blown off his head by his brother wielding a shotgun. It goes from there and ends up down near the town of Trepassey with a truckload of something loaded on a boat and headed out to sea; likely to South America.



The Lost Letter from Morocco

Adrienne Chinn

Harper Collins, 2019

High in the Atlas Mountains, Hanane's love for Irishman Gus is forbidden. Forced to flee her home with the man she loves, Hanane is certain she's running towards her destiny. But she has made a decision that will haunt her family for years to come. When Canadian photographer Addy discovers a mysterious letter in her late father's belongings, she journeys to Morocco in search of answers. But instead, she finds secrets - and is quickly pulled into a world that she doesn't understand. And when history starts to repeat itself, it seems her journey might just change the person she is.



Witch Kin Chronicles (series)

E.M Graham OneEar Press, 2019-2023

Dara was born with natural power, but it'll be her death sentence if she's caught.

The aristocratic Witch Kin hold the monopoly on all things magic. Dara's half-blood status excludes her from their ranks, yet her deepest desire is to be accepted by the Kin. What she really needs however, is to realize her own strength and power.

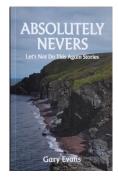
This **six book series** follows Dara's journey from despised outsider through her acceptance into the Kin as she proves her worth to them, then full circle to her ultimate rejection of their values.



Roxy Buckles and the Flight of the Sparrow

Nicole Little Engen Books, 2022

Exterminator Roxy Buckles, a bounty hunter-cum-mercenary, lives on Aurora, a highly advanced Earth-2 planet in a solar system on the flip side of the Milky Way. At the helm of Buckles & Associates, Roxy takes down space thugs and alien lawbreakers with relish. Her longsuffering best friend, Suki Kwan, runs the office with an iron fist. She desperately wants Roxy to let go of the past. But Roxy is consumed by a need for revenge... Ten years ago, Roxy's fiancé, Sam Sparrow, a high-ranking fly-guy at The Academy for Intergalactic Law Enforcement, stood accused of a heinous crime – setting a bomb that destroyed The Academy, killing hundreds of innocent people and leaving Suki Kwan with near fatal injuries. Sparrow insisted his innocence but then he escaped custody, disappearing from the authorities' eyes... That day, Roxy swore she would bring him to justice, one way or another. Perhaps her time has finally come.



Absolutely Nevers: let's not do this again stories

Gary Evans Black Lamb Press

That's enough of that! Three never to be repeated misadventures!



Stowaway's Luck & Other Tales

Peter J. Foote Engen Books, 2023

Just beyond the edges of the map, where dragons dwell... Peter J. Foote exists as one of the most prolific short-form genre writers in Canada, with dozens of credits to his name nationally and internationally. He has been featured in collections featuring the best new fiction in science-fiction, fantasy, mythology, and horror. Collected here are twenty-six of those incredible tales, celebrating the breadth of Foote's career from his first story ever printed to his most recent.



The Fairies of Foggy Island

Melissa Bishop, Nicole Russel & Kyle Callahan

Engen Books, 2023

The Fairies of Foggy Island is a collection of photographs, sketches and stories surrounding the research of Professor Eleanor Russ and Dr. Simon Burridge, as they attempt to find the origins of fairy folklore. Their journey takes them to Foggy Island, a land shrouded in both mist and secrecy. Gaining a grant to study the Island's link to fairy folklore, the two researchers spend a year exploring the uncharted terrain, searching for forgotten relics to illuminate the origins of fairy belief. What they discover is much more magical. Fairies exist on Foggy Island.



St. Jude Undone

Also available as an ebook.

Liz Graham

OneEar Press, 2022

When a competition is announced, a crazed carnival atmosphere seizes St. Jude Without. The residents dust off their rusty social skills in an attempt to encourage tourism to this hither-to forgotten cove. Carmel can only watch in horror and hope that the ghost of Captain Jeremy Ryan will overcome his agoraphobia and intervene with his descendants before they spread their warfare across the water to neighbouring Bell Island, their deadliest rivals.

Madness descends as the competitive spirit spirals out of control, but will Phonse and the crowd really go so low as to kill for the prize?

Book 4 in the Carmel McAlistair Mystery series.

POETRY



A Turn for the Worse: epigrams and other short poems

Gary Evans

Black Lamb Press

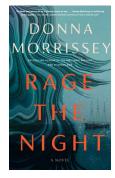
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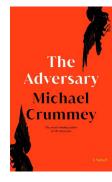


Rage the Night **Donna Morrissey**

Also available as an ebook. Also available as an electronic audiobook.

Penguin Random House, 2023

When a deathbed confession uncovers secrets about his birth, twenty-year-old Roan—who has always believed himself an orphan, with no last name—sets off on a quest to discover the truth of his origins. His journey takes him across the snow-covered landscape of Newfoundland from the remote Northern Peninsula to St. John's and then onto the Newfoundland, one of the rickety and poorly equipped ships heading out to the sealing grounds for the spring hunt. Between his farewell to Dr. Grenfell, the man who raised, educated, and cared for Roan since his toddlerhood, and the final discovery that will alter his life forever, Roan is tossed both emotionally and physically into harrowing situations that he could never have imagined. The people Roan meets along his journey are vivid and unforgettable, from young Ila, isolated and desperate as her mother coughs her life away in a frigid cabin, to the hulking, volcanic, unknowable Ashur Genge, whose own heartbreaking secret may hold the key to Roan's deepest desire. As Roan's personal story entwines with the historical tale of the Newfoundland disaster, it is "the b'ys"—the simple men who risk their lives year after year on the ice—their brotherhood, their resilience, their heart, and their humour that carry him through tragedy and beyond.



The Adversary

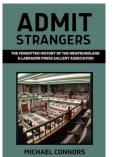
Also available as an ebook. Also available as an electronic audiobook.

Michael Crummey

Knopf Canada, 2023

In an isolated outport on Newfoundland's northern coastline, Abe Strapp is about to marry the daughter of a rival merchant to cement his hold on the shore when the Widow Caines arrives to throw the wedding and Abe's plans into chaos. That ruthless act of sabotage is the opening salvo in a battle between the man and woman who own Mockbeggar's largest mercantile firms, each fighting for the scarce resources of the north Atlantic fishery, each seeking a measure of revenge on the person they despise most in the world. As their unshakeable animosity spirals further each year into vendettas and violence, the community is increasingly divided and even the innocents in Mockbeggar find themselves forced to take sides, with devastating consequences. Through merciless seasons of uncertainty and want, through predatory storms and pandemics and marauding privateers, it is the human heart that reveals itself to be the most formidable and unpredictable adversary for each person drawn, inevitably and helplessly, into that endless feud. Compulsively readable and uncompromising, The Adversary is a masterful evocation of a lost time, and a shadowed mirror to our modern politics of grievance and retribution.

NON-FICTION

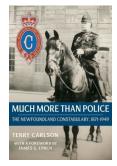


Admit Strangers: the forgotten history of the Newfoundland & Labrador Press Gallery Association

Michael Connors After Books, 2023

Offering unique insights into the mercurial relationships among media and politicians, Admit Strangers combines information gleaned from records and reports with first-hand accounts from the major players of the day.

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Much More Than Police: the Newfoundland Constabulary, 1871-1949

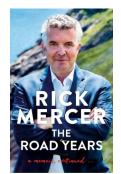
Terry Carlson Flanker Press, 2023

Terry Carlson's thoroughly researched history offers a detailed account of the activities and evolution of the Newfoundland Constabulary from 1871, when the force was founded, to 1949, when Newfoundland became the tenth province of Canada. It is a compelling portrait of the responsibilities and experiences of Constabulary members of all ranks in St. John's, across the island, and on special assignments in Labrador—and, importantly, shows the influence on police operations of the tumultuous political, economic, and social conditions that prevailed during these years.

The Newfoundland Constabulary was formed and led by a series of inspectors—all profiled here—and each put their own stamp on the organization. Their work guided the rank and file who not only enforced the law on land and sea but provided health, welfare, and social services to the public—roles that extended well beyond those of traditional police work. Encompassing a detective division, a mounted unit, and the fire department in St. John's, the Newfoundland Constabulary also kept the peace in outports such as Botwood, Brigus, and Bonavista and the industrial centres of Bell Island, Corner Brook, and Grand Falls. Few people today are aware of the breadth of the Constabulary's contributions.

As in our own era, the Constabulary was forced to respond to ever-changing demands beyond even the vagaries of politics, including massive fires in St. John's, epidemics, the Depression and two World Wars, the appearance of new technologies, and the advances and events of—even integration with—other contemporary law enforcement agencies.

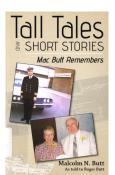
Much More than Police collects this remarkable history in one place. It comprehensively documents the impressive challenges and achievements of the Constabulary during the relatively unknown pre-Confederation years, promoting a legacy of solid policing that deserves to be celebrated.



The Road Years: a memoir, continued... Also available as an ebook. Also available as an electronic audiobook.

Rick Mercer Doubleday Canada, 2023

At the end of his #1 bestseller **Talking to Canadians**. Rick Mercer was poised to make the biggest leap yet in his extraordinary career. Having overcome a serious lack of promise as a schoolboy and risen through the showbiz ranks -- as an aspiring actor, star of a surprisingly successful one-man show about the Canadian constitution, co-founder of 'This Hour Has 22 Minutes,' creator and lead of the dark-comedy sitcom Made in Canada -- he was about to tackle the most ambitious undertaking of his professional life. The Road Years picks up the story at that exciting point, with the greenlighting of what would become 'Rick Mercer Report.' Plans for the show, of course, included political satire and Rick's patented rants. But Rick and his partner, Gerald Lunz, were also determined to do something that comedy tends to avoid: emphasize the positive. Rick would travel from coast to coast to coast in search of everything that's best about Canada, especially its people. He found a lot to celebrate, naturally, and was rewarded with a huge audience and a run of 15 seasons. The Road Years tells the inside story of that stupendous success. A time when Rick was crisscrossing the country to try his luck at dogsledding, chainsaw carving, and bear tagging; hanging from a harness (a lot); riding the 'Train of Death'; and partaking in countless other joyous and/or reckless assignments. Added to the mix were encounters with the nation's great. Every living prime minister (including strangely secretive Stephen Harper). Rock and roll royalty from Rush to Randy Bachman. Olympians and Paralympians. A skinny-dipping Bob Rae. And Jann Arden, of course, who gets a chapter to herself. Along the way he even found the time to co-found and champion the charity Spread the Net, which has gone on to protect the lives of millions. Join the celebration, and revive a wealth of happy memories, with what is Rick Mercer's funniest, most fascinating book yet.



Tale Tales and Short Stories: Mac Butt remembers

Malcolm N. Butt as told to Roger Butt

2021

Malcolm Butt has worked in the marine engineering field for all of his professional life, moving from artificer on a United States Air Force tug, to Chief Engineer on gulf and coastal vessels in the Atlantic, to General Manager of the Newfoundland Dockyard Corporation. His non-professional life, shared with Shirley Jean (Antle), his wife for over 57 years, has been equally eventful. These are his stories

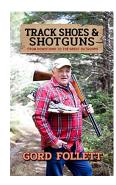


Hurricane Fiona: after the storm

Rosalyn Roy

Wreckhouse Press. 2023

On September 24, 2022, the Southwest coast of Newfoundland and Labrador experienced the region's worst natural disaster. But resilience and unity emerged from the chaos and devastation that defied the odds. **Hurricane Fiona: After the Storm** is an unforgettable journey through the heart of a disaster, a testament to the human spirit, and a poignant reflection on the impact of climate change. Never-before-seen photographs, firsthand accounts, and in-depth reporting reveal the terror and destruction Hurricane Fiona wrought with roaring winds, torrential rains, and the relentless power of nature that left no stone unturned and no life untouched. But amidst the wreckage, a different story began to emerge. The response of government agencies, the selfless dedication of volunteers, and the unwavering strength of communities rallying together showed the world the resilience of the human spirit. The scars remain one year after the storm, but so does the unyielding determination to rebuild. **Hurricane Fiona: After the Storm** paints a vivid picture of the ongoing efforts to heal and move forward while highlighting the harsh lessons learned from the storm's devastation and the ongoing impact of climate change on these fragile coastal ecosystems.



Track Shoes & Shotguns: from downtown to the great outdoors

Gord Follett

Engen Books, 2021

Famed outdoorsman Gord Follett shares over thirty years of life in sport and hunting in this incredible memoir, starting with his early days in speed walking through his storied career as a Newfoundland & Labrador sportsman, to his passing of the love of all things sport onto the next generation of Newfoundlanders & Labradorians.

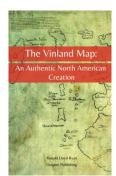


From the Shadows: surviving the depths of mental illness

E. Pauline Spurrell

Friesen Press, 2022

After a joyful early childhood, E. Pauline Spurrell suffered trauma that led to unhinged teenage years and a turbulent adult life. She was diagnosed, and misdiagnosed, with numerous mental illnesses. She endured a seemingly endless cycle of prescription treatment, and failure, until one day, enough was enough! Following years lost to the depths of despair, she fostered ideologies of self-discovery. Spurrell created tools to understand her disorders and their resultant impacts on her life. She reclaimed clarity, found the inner child she had left behind, and emerged from the shadows, a puzzle portrait of perfect imperfections. This exquisite memoir is sure to appeal to anyone suffering mental illness, as well as those who live with, work with, or love someone with mental illness.

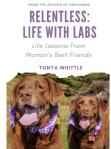


The Vinland Map: an authentic North American creation

Ronald Lloyd Ryan

Outport Publishing, 2022

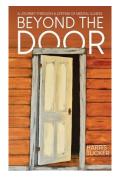
The authenticity and provenance of the so-called Vinland Map must surely be the source of one of the most controversial issues in recent world history. Almost universally declared to be a fraud, a hoax, by some of the world's most prominent scientists and academics, the considered opinions have been repeated in almost every media in the Western World. To challenge that historical and scientific gospel is at a minimum fool-hardy. However, the paradigm in which most of the experts and commentators labour is one that has no Medieval civilization in North America. In contrast, a ten-year independent research project has revealed that there was such a civilization – primarily a Christian civilization, mind you, one in regular communication with the Holy See - in North America and that it was the likely source of the now-infamous cartographic artifact. But, why take our word for it? Read the evidence for yourself. Check out the references. Then, make up your own mind.



Relentless: Life with Labs: life lessons from woman's best friends

Tonya Whittle LLH Publishing, 2023

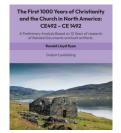
This is a remarkable story of a life well lived because of dogs. Join Tonya as she shares the lessons she learned from raising and adventuring with her two chocolate Labradors, Tetley & Lexie. Unlikely gurus on life, unruly and wild, Tetley & Lexie come to life on the pages as their explorations outside lead to powerful lessons in how to live life well. During their countless adventures, mishaps abound, they bring us to laughter and tears with their antics and larger-than-life personalities. Blended together with stories from everyday life, **Life With Labs** explores how dogs teach us to be better people. Wild, heartwarming and insightful, **Life with Labs** is a modern love story explored through the unbreakable bond between a woman and her dogs as they embrace an unconventional life.



Beyond the Door: a journey through a lifetime of mental illness

Harris Tucker Tellwell Talent, 2022

My whole life has been plagued with a mental illness: a silent killer, a shameful secret, a broken mind. As a form of healing and therapy, I began to blog my thoughts and feelings. My lifetime with mental illness has provided me with vast knowledge and experience that I would never have learned or gained otherwise. Follow my journey as I struggle to make my way along this winding road, one blog at a time.

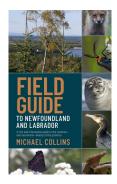


The First 1000 years of Christianity and the Church in North America: CE492-CE1492

Ronald Lloyd Ryan

Outport Publishing, 2022

The prevailing paradigm of the history of North America is that there is no history for the Medieval period as understood for Europe, that North American history began in 1492. According to numerous documents that paradigm cannot be sustained. Indeed, the history of North America, even history in the academic sense, seems to have begun as early as BCE 2000 or before. Moreover, Christianity was likely introduced to North America by around CE 400. Moreover, the so-called myth of the Iberian Christians and the Island of Many Cities is consistent with the many "ancient" (pre-Columbian) stone-built cities that have been found in northeast North America along with numerous small towns and villages, most of which have a parish church, some of which still have the roof intact. The other astonishing aspect of Christianity in North America is that almost every Indigenous group has numerous indicators that they had access to and practiced Christianity long before the European invasion. That has been over-determined by the numerous records that exist in Europe, especially in the Vatican Archives, as well as records acquired from the Indigenous groups themselves. Be prepared for some "almost unbelievable" revelations as this evidence-based document provides details of how the Indigenous peoples acquired biblical stories and Christian principles, recorded as early as the 1600s by Jesuit missionaries who recognized the Christian concepts of the Aboriginal peoples but had no idea where they were acquired.



Field Guide to Newfoundland and Labrador

Michael Collins

Breakwater Books, 2023

The most comprehensive guide of its kind on the market today, the **Field Guide to Newfoundland and Labrador** features more than 900 photographs and illustrations: from flora and fauna to icebergs and weather, no stone is left unturned in this perfect introduction to the province's life and landscape. Compiled and edited by Memorial University biologist Michael Collins, with contributions from over twenty renowned experts, the guide is accessible, durable, perfectly sized, and indexed for ease of use in the field. You're ready. Now explore.



Away From My Island: the true story of Eliza Gill

Gary Collins Flanker Press, 2032

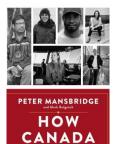
Born on Silver Fox Island in 1914, Eliza Gill was working "in service" before she was eight years old. By the age of eleven, she was informed by her father she would be sailing on a fishing schooner to the "wild Labrador," where she would cook for a crew of five as well as care for her younger brother. For this, she received no pay, but she didn't complain. Eliza liked the island way of life, but she wanted more for her family. When her husband, Jacob, lost his teaching position due to a Church law, she persuaded him to leave their island home before the Resettlement program began. Jacob worked first as a logger and then as a butcher on Joey Smallwood's pig farm in Gander, while war raged across the world. The end of the war saw Smallwood's piggery shut down. At Eliza's insistence, the family moved to Toronto. There she met a Jewish neighbour, who was a Polish survivor of the Holocaust. She told Eliza about the horrors of a war she could not even fathom. It would haunt Eliza for all of her days. When Jacob developed a sudden debilitating illness, the family was forced to move back to Newfoundland, where Eliza's island home was now vacated. There, she endured a burdensome, subsistence way of life to raise a family on her own. This is the true account of one woman's fortitude and bravery, neither of which shone more brightly than the day of her tragic—and heroic—death.



Off Panel: a history of NL comix

Elizabeth Whitten Engen Books, 2023

Newfoundland has a rich storytelling tradition, one that translates easily into the visual medium of comics. For years, the history of underground comix and visual art has gone untold... until now! Journalist Elizabeth Whitten uncovers the hidden depths of Newfoundland's comix scene, featuring creatives like Wallace Ryan (Toxic!), Paul Tucker (Image's Stringer), Andrew Hawthorn (Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles), Kelly Bastow (Quirk Books' Manfried the Man) and many more!



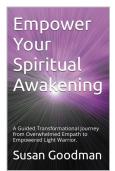
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How Canada Works: the people who make our nation thrive

Peter Mansbridge with Mark Bulgultch

Simon & Schuster, 2023

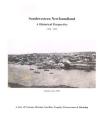
From #1 bestselling authors Peter Mansbridge and Mark Bulgutch comes a new book of first-person stories about the unique people and professions that make Canada work. In this latest collection of personal stories, Mansbridge and Bulgutch shine a light on the everyday jobs that keep our nation running and the inspiring people who perform them with empathy and kindness. Meet the 911 operator in British Columbia who sends help to callers in crisis and stays on the line, steadying them as they wait. Hear from the chief of the Neskantaga First Nation in northern Ontario, who sacrifices his personal time to fight for better resources for his community, which has had a boil water advisory since the mid-1990s. From the air traffic controller who ensures people get to where they need to go, to the midwife in Saskatchewan who guides families through pregnancy and the birthing process, these are the jobs that connect Canadians on both a logistical and personal level. Though Canada is still very much a work in progress, this enlightening book celebrates how we are greater than the sum of our parts by championing the people that make our country great.



Empower Your Spiritual Awakening: a guided transformational journey from overwhelmed empath to empowered light warrior

Susan Goodman Self-published, 2023

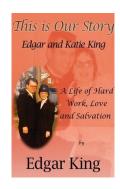
This book will give you the tools to empower your spiritual awakening. It's not uncommon to encounter entities and lost spirits on an awakening journey. This book teaches psychic protection techniques that will empower you to set and maintain strong energetic boundaries. You will learn how to balance your chakra system, so that you will be able to connect more deeply in meditation. Learn to channel spirit, angels, and guides for yourself and others. With practice, you will be able to drop into meditation more quickly and to maintain a semi-meditative state while you are channeling spirit. Learn to remember, understand, and interpret your dreams. Create consciously by understanding the moon cycles and learning how to work with them. Through journaling practices, your dreams will help you to create a language through which your guides can communicate.



Southwestern Newfoundland: a historical perspective, 1500-2022

Dwight Anderson Self-published, 2023

Being an island in the North Atlantic comes with its challenges. Over the years, the number of deaths on the ocean is staggering, especially in the days of schooners and dories. Virtually every family has lost someone to the sea. Newfoundland took a punch in the gut during World War One. 35% of the men aged nineteen to thirty-five enlisted. In many cases, they left the family fishing businesses for aging parents to run. Some of the brightest young minds in Newfoundland at the time were buried in France. Many of those who returned were permanently scared by PTSD. It was a generation lost and the Newfoundland government eventually went broke after supporting the war effort. Confederation with Canada had a strong impact on Southwestern Newfoundland. CNR became a major employer. Fishermen gave up the sea to become railroad men. Many outport people lived in isolated communities and wouldn't have it any other way. They made a living from the sea. They enjoyed the freedom, tranquility and a close knit community. When government introduced relocation, it took a piece of fabric from Newfoundland. In 1992 Newfoundland and Labrador had the largest layoff in Canadian History. The cod moratorium took away fifty thousand jobs. Despite the struggles, Newfoundlanders have prevailed. Resilience is in the blood, passed down from generations. For the most part, visitors to Newfoundland give rave reviews on our scenery, hospitality, history and culture. There are a few that will say the island is about ten years behind the times. Is that such a bad thing?



This is Our Story: Edgar and Katie King

Edgar King Plashmill Press, 2023

This is Our Story: Edgar and Katie King, tells the narrative of a life of service, love and salvation. Edgar and Katie King were brought up in Newfoundland and fell in love. They decided to join the Salvation Army and worked as a team together for decades. Tragically, Katie was taken by cancer. This is a moving story of love and salvation.



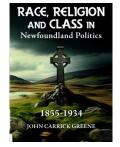
Deux filles à Terre-Neuve : itinéraire coup de cœur pour découvrir une des plus belles provinces du Canada

edited by Johanne Morse

2022

Vous rêvez de visiter Terre-Neuve, mais devant cette immensité vous ne savez pas par où commencer la planification de votre voyage? Ou tout simplement, vous souhaitez connaître toutes les informations pertinentes avant de vous y rendre? Ce guide est parfait pour vous! Il sera votre accompagnateur de tous les jours et répondra pratiquement à toutes vos questions pendant votre périple. Il suivra vos déplacements et vous donnera tous les trucs et astuces pour rendre votre aventure facile et agréable.

Do you dream of visiting Newfoundland, but given this immensity you don't know where to start planning your trip? Or simply, do you want to know all the relevant information before going there? This guide is perfect for you! It will be your daily companion and will answer practically all your questions during your ney. It will track your travels and give you all the tips and tricks to make your adventure easy and enjoyable.



Race, Religion and Class in Newfoundland Politics: 1855-1934

John Carrick Greene Self-published, 2023

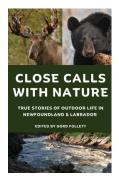
This book is a comprehensive analysis of the period of responsible government in NL politics.



Written in Stone: cannabis chronicles an accidental journey to awakening

Tina Maddigan

There's no way I was born just to pay bills and die! My menopausal body began feeling the effects from the lifelong, repetitive rat race of work, home and everything else in between. Then, in a timely manner, I accidentally discovered a blissful escape! As a Reiki Master and budding Psychic Medium, a new can of worms had been cracked open when I decided to try a little weed. Cannabis has been used as a sacred spiritual plant by shamans for thousands of years to achieve inner exploration and enlightenment. Like a shaman, I soon reached this untouchable world of inner landscapes that await us within the mind's eye. Jump inside, tap into your own intuition and explore this magical and sometimes funny place of life-changing realizations and transformation. Enjoy a few unexpected Hippie trips, but above all, join me as I find peace.



Close Calls With Nature: true stories of outdoor life in Newfoundland & Labrador

edited by Gord Follett After Books, 2023

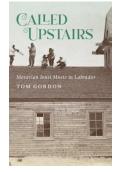
What defines a close call? In this anthology, editor Gord Follett along with writers from across Newfoundland and Labrador present stories of dangers both actual and perceived. Includes full colour photos.



Behind the Dress: one woman's life in a religious cult and the healing that came later

Christine Faour 2022

A patriarchal, fundamentalist and abusive cult that was hidden in plain sight. This is the story of a Canadian woman who was in the Advanced Training Institute, run by Bill Gothard, for fourteen years. The amazing thing is that she never knew she was in a cult until several years after she was out. That's what happened to Christine in 2014. She has spent the past nine years trying to deprogram and change the way she sees the world. The Advanced Training Institute had all the hallmarks of a cult, it even fit Bill Gothard's definition of a cult, but Christine and her family believed they were God's cream of the crop. Join her as she navigates the cult, goes through a divorce, finds out she was in a cult and subsequently has to unlearn all she believed to be true.



Called Upstairs: Moravian Inuit music in Labrador

Tom Gordon

McGill-Queen's University Press, 2023

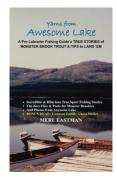
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A silent clapboard church on a barren Arctic landscape is more than just a place of worship: it is a symbol that can evoke fraught reactions to the history of Christian colonization. In the Inuit homeland of Northern Labrador, however, that church is more likely to resonate with the voices of a well-rehearsed choir accompanied by an accomplished string orchestra or spirited brass bands. The Inuit making this music are stewards of a tradition of complex sacred music introduced by Moravian missionaries in the late 1700s - a tradition that, over time, these musicians transformed into a cultural expression genuinely their own.

Called Upstairs is the story of this Labrador Inuit music practice. It is not principally a story of forced adoption but of adaptation, mediation, and agency, exploring the transformation of a colonial artifact into an expression of Inuit aesthetic preference, spirituality, and community identity. Often overlaying the Moravian traditions with defining characteristics drawn from pre-contact expressive culture, Inuit musicians imbued this once-alien music with their own voices. Told through archival documents, oral histories of Inuit musicians, and the music itself, Called Upstairs tracks the emergence of this Labrador Moravian music tradition across two and a half centuries.

Tom Gordon presents a chronicle of Inuit leadership and agency in the face of colonialism through a unique lens. In this time of reconciliation, this story offers a window into Inuit resilience and the power of a culture's creative expressions.

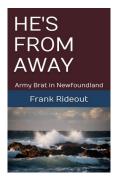
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Yarns from Awesome Lake

Merl Eastman Self-published, 2023

I was a Fishing Guide for 10 years at the former Awesome Lake Lodge in Labrador. **Yarns from Awesome Lake** is a collection of hilarious, exciting, and remarkable true fishing stories from that time. The stories are filled with humorous events, wonderful adventures, and of course... Monster Brook Trout, and tips to Land 'Em. I have included over 30 photos, a Caribou Hunting Story, and as a bonus read my multigenerational Eastman Family Ghost Stories! I end the book, with a very emotional and personal story of the loss of my youngest son, Ronnie, to a fishing accident. I have also included a song I wrote in memory of him. Ronnie loved fishing and hunting, and I am sure he continues to in Heaven.



He's from Away: Army brat in Newfoundland

Frank Rideout 2023

This nonfictional work reflects the recollections of an octogenarian, fortunate enough to have lived & experienced the delights and challenges of a bygone era, long past in mainstream North America, in a fabled land where for generations time stood still. Born into tumultuous times, he witnessed the protracted struggle to recover from the great depression, the strategic role his little country played in WWII and the cold war and the sometimes-contentious debate to join the Canadian confederation. It is a tale of humor, greed, joy, fear, suffering, piety, hypocrisy, compassion, endurance, bravery and the indomitable spirit, ingenuity and resilience of the people of the diverse Newfoundland communities where he grew up. Disasters at sea, the ever-present threat of communicable disease, acts of God and man-made calamities took a devastating toll on close-knit communities that were profoundly aware of the fragility of life. On the lighter side, the telling of the tale is interspersed with anecdotes of everyday life, the storied dry wit of a persevering people and the antics of the author and his siblings, perpetual new kids in the parish, who would do anything to fit in. There is something in this book for everyone.



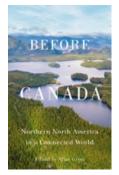
Tales from Harbour Divine

Ronald Lloyd Ryan

Outport Publishing, 2022

- Volume 1: The oral and folk story tradition of Western Notre Dame Bay, north east coast of Newfoundland
- Volume 2: Genuine folk stories from the oral tradition of western Notre Dame Bay.
- Volume 3: The oral and folk story tradition of outport fishing villages of Newfoundland and Labrador

The folk stories in this series of books have been selected from a corpus of stories that were collected from the people along the Beothuck Coast—the north east coast of the Island of Newfoundland, from White Bay to the Exploits River— over a 50 year period. Some of the stories the author remembered because he heard them many times; others were acquired by means of various audio recording devices.



Before Canada: northern North America in a connected world

edited by Allan Greer

McGill-Queen's University Press, January 2024

Long before Confederation created a nation-state in northern North America, Indigenous people were establishing vast networks and trade routes. Volcanic eruptions pushed the ancestors of the Dene to undertake a trek from the present-day Northwest Territories to Arizona. Inuit migrated across the Arctic from Siberia, reaching Southern Labrador, where they met Basque fishers from northern Spain. As early as the fifteenth century, fishing ships from western Europe were coming to Newfoundland for cod, creating the greatest transatlantic maritime link in the early modern world. Later, fur traders would take capitalism across the continent, using cheap rum to lubricate their transactions. The contributors to **Before Canada** reveal the latest findings of archaeological and historical research on this fascinating period. Along the way, they reframe the story of the Canadian past, extending its limits across time and space and challenging us to reconsider our assumptions about this supposedly young country. Innovative and multidisciplinary, **Before Canada** inspires interest in the deep history of northern North America.



Drink in the Summer: a memoir of Croatia

Tony Fabijančić

Athabaska University Press, 2023

Since childhood, Tony Fabijančić has travelled frequently to Yugoslavia and Croatia, the homeland of his father. He spent time with his peasant family in the village of Srebrnjak in the north and escaped to the Adriatic islands in the south where he could break free from the constraints of everyday life. Those two worlds—the north, marked by the haunting saga of family life, its history and material practices, and the south, a place defined by travel and escape—formed the two halves of Fabijančić's Croatian life. Over time, he observed Srebrnjak become a white-collar weekend retreat, the community of peasants of the 1970s, to which he was first introduced, only a distant memory. From the continental interior of green valleys and plum orchards to the austere and skeletal karst coast, **Drink in the Summer** is a unique record of a place and people now lost to time, a description of a country's varied landscapes, and a journey of discovery, freedom, beauty, and love.



The Naval Government of Newfoundland in the French Wars: 1793-1815

John Morrow 2023

This book is currently available in ebook format only.

Exploring the professional and political ideas of Newfoundland naval governors during the French Wars, this book traces the evolution of the Naval Governorship and administration of the region, shedding a light on a critical period of its early modern history. Contextualising Newfoundland as part of Britain's broader Atlantic Empire, Morrow focuses on the years 1793-1815 as it transitioned from a largely migratory fishery and 'nursery of seaman' to a colonial settlement with a resident British and Irish population. With a diversifying economy and growing demography amidst the French Revolutionary and Napoleonic Wars, the governors of Newfoundland faced a unique set of challenges. Drawing upon various primary and secondary sources, Morrow provides a comprehensive account of their responses to the perceived needs of those they governed - both settler and indigenous - and reveals the professional attitudes and attributes they brought to bear on both their civil and military responsibilities.



The NFLD Railway Art Exhibit

paintings by Clayton Hann

2000-2023

Hann comes by his interest in trains honestly. His grandfathers, uncles, and some of his aunts worked for the Newfoundland Railway. His mother grew up in the station house in Princeton, Bonavista Bay, where her father was the stationmaster. In Port aux Basques, where he grew up, Hann's house overlooked the train yard. "Ever since I was a little kid I was around trains. As a baby I was listening to the rhythm of the steam locomotive." He's painted many trains—many of them travelling along the tracks of the Gaff Topsails on the west coast. One of those hangs in the Gander town hall as well.



Not a Hope in Hell for Newfoundland and Labrador

Mercedes Benoit-Penney

Self-published, 2023

Even today, Newfoundland and Labrador has the potential of being the richest of the 10 provinces of Canada, writes this Indigenous author from Southwestern Newfoundland. Yet our political leaders continue to fail us. Mercedes Benoit Penney attempts to go where no one has gone before, into the mindsets of those who have influenced the governance of the land. She paints a vivid and disturbing picture of life in the strikingly different cultures that comprise Newfoundland and Labrador. The country could have grown to become an economic powerhouse but she unravels how the ruling political merchant mentality never allows prosperity to prevail, beyond the Avalon.











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Bizzie Tizzie in the Christmas Catastrophe

Yvonne Bryant

Bizzie Tizzie Books & Stuff, 2023

On Christmas Eve night, Bizzie Tizzie snuggles in bed feeling both excited and restless. When BAM!!! something strange happens, and Bizzie Tizzie and her family find themselves outside on a cold night in an unfamiliar place and in an unpredictable situation. Here they are surrounded by peculiar characters and smack dab in the middle of Christmas catastrophe! Will a solution be found in time? Can this really be happening, or is this all just a bad dream?

Illustrated by Kevin and Jessica Tobin.



The Witch, Her Dog, and the Unicorns

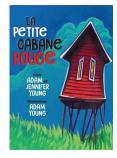
April Harvey

Self-published, 2023

Newfoundland Witch Millicent Hartery is happy to help her German Shepherd find a unicorn, but silly Lance Larry doesn't know what a unicorn looks like! What is a witch to do when her beloved rescue dog tries to play with sensational creatures that aren't all as nice as Lance Larry?

Illustrated by Amelia Jackman and April Harvey.

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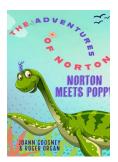
La Petite Cabane Rouge

Adam Young Breakwater Books, 2023

Un beau matin, une petite cabane se réveille et s'aperçoit qu'elle n'est plus tout à fait la même. Elle n'est pas sûre pourquoi et elle ne se sent plus à sa place alors elle décide de partir et elle se met en route. Toute seule sur l'immense océan, elle rencontre une nouvelle amie extraordinaire qui voit combien elle est vraiment spéciale. La petite cabane rouge reprend alors confiance en elle-même et elle retourne chez elle, inspirant ainsi chacune et chacune à apprécier ce qui les rend différents.

Once upon a fine morning, a little shed awakens to discover she isn't quite the same as she used to be. Uncertain and feeling as if she no longer fits in, she decides to leave home and sets out to sea. All alone on the wide, wide ocean, she meets an extraordinary new friend who sees how special she really is, and with newfound confidence, the little red shed returns home and inspires everyone to cherish their differences.

Illustrated by Jennifer Young.



Norton Meets Poppy

JoAnn Goosney & Roger Organ

2000-2023

The Adventures of Norton is a series of books inspired by stories told to our grandchildren about a friendly sea creature named Norton. He becomes lost and finds a friend who is a seaweed farmer who helps him, together they have many adventures exploring the ocean. The adventures share the importance of caring for our ocean and all the life that lives there. As well, how important it is to be kind, positive and informed about our surroundings. They share adventures with other sea life, visit ship wreaks, meet new friends, we get to know about Norton's family and so many other adventures!



Norton Finds a Home

JoAnn Goosney & Roger Organ

2000-2023

Norton is a friendly sea creature who is lost, he meets a kind seaweed farmer "Poppy" who becomes his friend. In this adventure - **Norton Finds A Home**- Poppy helps Norton find a new home, they explore caves under the ocean searching for the perfect home for Norton.



Chirp's West End Wander

Rebecca Gladney

Independently Published, 2024

A board book for kids 0-8 years old, about making new friends while exploring Newfoundland and Labrador sights. Chirp is off to make friends around the west end of St. John's and in Mount Pearl! Travel and learn with us!