

JUST REPRESENTATION? INVESTIGATING THE VISIBILITY OF INDIGENOUS CULTURES AT MUSEUMS IN NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

Ongoing PhD Project at Memorial University

Supervision

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Study Purpose & Methods

- The purpose of the study is to explore the representation of Indigenous cultures at non-Indigenous led museums throughout Newfoundland and Labrador.
- Methods include visits to museums (exhibit analysis), reviews of museums' digital heritage (digital media analysis), & interviews with museum professionals.

Interviews

- You are invited to answer questions regarding your museum's practices for engaging with and presenting Indigenous exhibits.
- Participation in the interview will require approximately 45 minutes of your time and will be held at a mutually agreed time and location (in-person) or via WebEx or telephone (virtually).
- Please note that these interviews can be conducted one-on-one with the researcher.

Participation Criteria

- Must speak English.
- Must be Museum Professionals, who are working at (or have had worked) at a non-Indigenous-led community, provincial, or federal museum in Newfoundland and Labrador.
- Indigenous people working at non-Indigenous-led museums are eligible to participate, as Indigeneity is not a factor of interest in this study.
- Participation in this study is not a requirement of the Museums Association of Newfoundland and Labrador (MANL).

Memorial University Ethics

The proposal for this research has been reviewed by the Interdisciplinary Committee on Ethics in Human Research and found to be in compliance with Memorial University's ethics policy. If you have ethical concerns about the research, such as your rights as a participant, you may contact the Chairperson of the ICEHR at icehr.chair@mun.ca or by telephone at 709-864-2861.

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