

African Heritage Month 2023

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This year's African Heritage Month provincial theme, Seas of struggle – African Peoples from Shore to Shore, outlines the struggles of people of African Decent faced from the shores of Africa to the shores of Nova Scotia. Recognizing that the one thing that has remained constant in our history is the Atlantic Ocean. The long-standing history of people of African Descent in the development of Canada, the sea has played a vital role. This theme explores the struggle and adversity that was overcome and examines the effects of slavery and sea faring of African Nova Scotians. The theme also aligns with the United Nations' International Decade for People of African Descent (DPAD) 2015-2024. The goal of DPAD is to strengthen global cooperation in support of people of African descent, increase awareness and the passage towards presence in all aspects of society.

Nova Scotia has 52 historic African Nova Scotian communities with a long, deep and complex history dating back over 200 years. African Heritage Month provides us with another opportunity to celebrate our culture, legacy, achievements and contributions of our people – past and present.

<https://ansa.novascotia.ca/african-heritage-month>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Watch the Virtual Provincial Launch for African Heritage Month. 1	Kids explain what is African Heritage month? 2	What do you know about Africa? 3	How did African Heritage Month come to be? 4
How did Lift Every Voice & Sing inspire generations? Sing a Song 5	African Heritage Month is celebrated all across Canada. What is the National Theme this year? 6	Who wrote the poem, " Our Crowns "? 7	Listen to a song about Black Canadian History . 8	Who are the Black Loyalists ? 9	Listen to a read aloud of Africville by Shauntay Grant 10	Read about 5 Canadian settlements at the end of the Underground Railroad . 11
Check out some famous Black communities across Canada. 12	Listen to a read aloud of Viola Desmond Wont Be Budged 13	This Nova Scotia basketball player plays for the Milwaukee Bucks 14	We are all special and unique. Listen to a read aloud of Hair Like Mine 15	This North Preston singer won an award for his album "King". 16	Read to find out about about the historical home on the Cobequid Road. 17	This famous Nova Scotian singer once sang for Queen Elizabeth 2! 18
Listen to a read aloud of Up Home by Shauntay Grant 19	Who is Willie O'Ree ? 20	5 Black Canadians honoured with postage stamps 21	Learn about the African Nova Scotian flag 22	Who was Mathieu da Costa ? 23	Read about the No. 2 Battalion 24	Take a virtual tour of the Black Cultural Centre for Nova Scotia 25
Learn about the contributions of some notable African Americans 26	The ABCs of Black History Month 27	Challenge: Are you able to find out who Madeline Symonds was? 28				