

## 2024 National Youth Forum



**Theme: Reconciliation** 

**Open to Youth Ages 15-18** 

Ottawa, Ontario, July 3-7, 2024

Supported by four bilingual pre-Forum webinars: April 2024

We cover all major costs!





#### **Experiences Canada**



Experiences Canada is now accepting applications to our 2024 National Youth Forum (Ottawa). We are inviting Canadian youth ages 15-18 to apply. Developed in consultation with our Advisory Partner, the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation, the Forum's unique blend of virtual webinars in April 2024 and inperson interaction in Ottawa from July 3-7, 2024 offers a dynamic safe space for young minds to delve into reconciliation, connect with peers, and hone their leadership skills.

#### What to Expect

- Four bilingual webinars (April 9-17, 2024) led by experts. Some of the themes we will explore include residential schools and reconciliation; the Indigenous economy; culture and language reclamation; arts and media, and the environment
- **Five unforgettable days** in Ottawa, Ontario, exploring cultural and historic sites and meeting with Indigenous organizations alongside fellow teen participants
- An exciting opportunity to create and complete a podcast highlighting one of the themes



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#### **Expected Outcomes**

- Forge connections with teens from across Canada, build lifelong friendships and an alumni support network
- Gain valuable insights from reconciliation experts and firsthand experiences in Indigenous culture
- Produce a podcast and contribute to the ongoing dialogue on reconciliation.
  Participant-produced podcast episodes will be published on the Experiences Canada website similar to the previous <u>Allyship Podcast</u> <u>Series.</u>
- Free learning resources on the Forum themes
- Develop mentorship, volunteer, and leadership skills, paving the way for future opportunities

### Apply today!

Canadian youth ages 15-18 are invited to join us for this transformative experience. We have limited spots available, with a total of 50 participants accepted for our 2024 program. **Registration fee:** \$349.00. The **application deadline is April 6, 2024.** 

**We pay all major costs:** Accommodation, meals, travel expenses, and pre/post Forum activities are covered for participants.

Don't miss this chance to be part of a meaningful journey toward Reconciliation.

Apply now and become a catalyst for change!





# **About**

Our Mission is to offer transformational learning opportunities accessible to youth across Canadacreating fun, safe, memorable experiences that deepen their connection to their community and their country, enrich personal experiences, and build confidence and skills.

#### **Experiences Canada - Overview**

Experiences Canada is a national registered charity dedicated to providing Canadian youth lived experiences that will enhance their skills, confidence and understanding of Canada. We do this through reciprocal exchanges across the country, as well as a diversity of educational events, tools and learning resources on a range of themes including careers, and financial literacy.

Now in our 87th year, more than 420,000 youth from all provinces and territories have participated in our bilingual programs and events. Our decades of work have produced countless, incredible success stories about how an experience like an exchange has not only changed a young person's life forever, but helped raise their confidence and appreciation for our great country, and the diversity of its people.

To inquire about the Youth Forum please contact our Forums team: info@experiencescanada.ca

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