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Exploring Canada’s National Aboriginal Day: ‘We Talk, You Listen’: Native North America and the Politics of Cinema

Date: Tuesday 21st June
Time: 6.00 - 8.00pm

Part of the Lifelong Learning Centre’s Spring into Summer programme

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In *The Inconvenient Indian*, Native-Canadian writer Thomas King suggests that ‘film, in all its forms, has been the only place where most North Americans have seen Indians’. He is, of course, talking about Christopher Columbus’s version of ‘Indians’: the indigenous peoples of the Americas.

This event takes its lead from Thomas King’s suggestion, but he could also be talking about the UK. Based at the University of Kent, David Stirrup – our guest speaker – is a specialist in Native American and Canadian Aboriginal literature and culture; in his talk, he will take us on a journey through cinema thinking in particular about the Native North American perspective. We will be asked to rethink popular representations of ‘Indians’ on screen – and we will also get the opportunity to learn more about Native North American film-making and the way indigenous peoples are finding new ways to revisit history and tell their own stories with time for discussion and questions.

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