

# From Oujé-Bougoumou to Batoche

Indigenous people are **dynamic** and **creative**. A great number of our achievements are a source of pride to all Canadians.



FOR EXAMPLE, IT WAS INDIGENOUS PEOPLE WHO INSPIRED CANADA'S **TWO NATIONAL SPORTS**.

**ICE HOCKEY** IS CANADA'S NATIONAL WINTER SPORT.

AND **LACROSSE** IS ITS NATIONAL SUMMER SPORT.



In Quebec, the **Cree** community of Oujé-Bougoumou received an international award from the United Nations for its circular-shaped village. This village is recognized around the world for its original design, which is exactly suited to the needs and culture of the Oujé-Bougoumou Cree.

On Vancouver Island, the village of the **Cowichan First Nation** is a tourist attraction that contains a world-class conference centre. The village and the centre host a series of fascinating activities all year round. This village is a beautiful, colourful place that attracts visitors for a wide variety of entertaining and educational activities.

During the **Back to Batoche** cultural festival held every year in Saskatchewan, the **Métis** celebrate their traditions with many events, including the "**Métis Voyageur Games**." Inspired by traditional Métis work and leisure activities, the competitions include carrying a 245 kg bag, tomahawk throwing, firing a slingshot, as well as fiddle and dance competitions.

On April 1, 1999, all of Canada celebrated the creation of **Nunavut**, Canada's third territory. The word Nunavut means "our land" in **Inuktitut**.



KIND OF A **BIRD'S-EYE VIEW**.

