Further Reading

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What follows is a selected bibliography and reference list on the Arctic and the Northwest Passage. The list is not comprehensive, but is intended merely as a primer for readers looking to better familiarize themselves with the issue. As this exhibition is original in its multimedia perspective, I have focused this bibliography on books, papers, and resources available online. There are many books that will be of interest, however, which are not cited here.

History

The huge body of literature on the Northwest Passage bears witness to its importance. Four centuries of exploration have been documented, described, and narrated by protagonists, historians, and poets. The effect of this allure is an impressive range of works that have been constantly increasing in number. As a first orientation in this sea of information, one of the essential references is the Alan Edwin Day's comprehensive *Search for the Northwest Passage: An Annotated Bibliography* (New York: Garland, 1986), and his more recent *Historical Dictionary of the Discovery and Exploration of the Northwest Passage* (Lanham, MD: Scarecrow, 2006).

Probably the most useful bibliographical information regarding the people of Canadian history, such as indigenous people, explorers, and politicians, can be found in the Dictionary of Canadian Biography, which is also available in an online version.

Another easily accessible source of information about Canadian history is the three-volume *The Historical Atlas* of Canada (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 1987–1993). It is possible to explore major theme maps online, thanks to the Online Learning Project.

The arguably pivotal reference for amateurs and students of the North and its geographical discovery is Derek Hayes's *Historical Atlas of the Arctic* (Seattle: University of Washington Press, 2003). The book, which includes more than three hundred stunning maps, provides an account of the expeditions as well as of the geographical notions that motivated historical maps.

For those passionate about the subject, a massive literary production is available in the form of historiographical, travel, autobiographical, and fictional writings on the experience of Arctic explorations. A number of logbooks, journals, and memoirs on this topic are accessible freely online at the Open Library Project; some are mentioned

in the timeline linked to this exhibition.

In addition, the following is a very short selection of relatively recent publications that were particularly useful for this project: Shelagh Grant, *Polar Imperative: A History of Arctic Sovereignty in North America* (Vancouver: Douglas and McIntyre, 2010); John McCannon, *A History of the Arctic: Nature, Exploration and Exploitation* (Chicago: UCP, 2012); Robert McGhee, *The Last Imaginary Place: A Human History of the Arctic World* (Chicago: UCP, 2007); and Glyn Williams, *Arctic Labyrinth: The Quest for the Northwest Passage (*London: Penguin, 2009).

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Sovereignty

The importance of the Arctic in Canadian and international politics is also demonstrated by the numerous studies on the topic. Once considered a strictly Canadian legal conjecture, in the last two decades the sovereignty issue has been one of the major geopolitical discussions about the North. For this reason the massive range of Canadian publications concerning the Cold War period are useful. Franklyn Griffiths's works represent an important resource, for example: Griffiths, *A Northern Foreign Policy (*Toronto: Canadian Institute of International Affairs, 1979); Griffiths, "On This Day, Grab a Cold One and Think Pan-Arctic Thoughts," *The Globe and Mail*, 30 June 2009; Griffiths, ed., *Politics of the Northwest Passage* (Kingston & Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press, 1987); Griffiths, ed., *Arctic Alternatives: Civility or Militarism in the Circumpolar North* (Toronto: Science for Peace/Samuel Stevens, 1992). A vast publication documenting all the different point of views is also available in Shelagh Grant, *Polar Imperative* (Vancouver: Douglas and McIntyre, 2010) and Grant, "The Weight of History in the Arctic," *Canadian International Council*, OpenCanada.org Canada's Hub for International Affairs, 25 Febuary 2013.

On East Asia's Arctic interests see P. Whitney Lackenbauer and James Manicom, "Canada's Northern Strategy and East Asian Interests in the Arctic." East Asia-Arctic Relations Paper no. 5, Centre for International Governance Innovation, 2014.

Very important, too, is the Native perspective. One source is the compendium by Inuit Qaujisarvingat, an association focused on ensuring an increasingly active role for Inuit in research and generating innovative knowledge for improved research, science, and policy-making; it is published by Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami, *Inuit*

Qaujisarvingat, Nilliajut: Inuit Perspectives on Security, Patriotism and Sovereignty (Ottawa, 2013).

On the impact of residential schools on Natives' traditional knowledge and system of life, a very important source is the publication by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission established by the Canadian Government in 2008. Government and religious bodies have partnered programs to assist school survivors, to create a public and historical record of this period, and to promote public awareness, understanding, and education of the history and legacy of residential schools; these include the Legacy of Hope Foundation (LHF), a national Aboriginal charitable organization, Where are the Children?, and Historical Sketch for Anglican Residential Schools . The history and effects of the High Arctic relocation is a relatively new topic: a very important source of information is the Qikiqtani Truth Commission (QTC), established and financed by the Qikiqtani Inuit Association to create a more accurate history of the decisions and events that affected Inuit living in the Baffin Region from 1950 to 1975 and to document their impact on Inuit life. The final report is an outstanding document for research purposes. Important, too, is the history and meaning of the Arctic Exile Monument Project commissioned by Nunavut Tunngavik Inc. to two Nunavut carvers, Simeonie Amagoalik of Resolute Bay and Looty Pijamini of Grise Fiord. Using local stone, Amagoalik created a carving of a man in Resolute Bay. Pijamini created a granite carving of a woman and child in Grise Fiord. The monuments depict how families were separated during relocation.

For weekly information about articles and news in the media, check The Arctic This Week newsletter published by the Arctic Institute, an interdisciplinary, independent think tank focused on Arctic policy issues.

The high relevance ascribed by the Canadian government to sovereignty issues is shown by the variety of research projects it has funded, such as the Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada—Northern Dimension of Foreign Policy ; Canadian Polar Commission ; Arctic Institute of North America ; Canadian Circumpolar Institute ; and ArcticNet , a network that brings together scientists and managers in the natural sciences, human health, and social sciences, with their partners from Inuit organizations, northern communities, federal and provincial agencies, and the private sector.

Another source of information on Arctic politics and environment is the Arctic Council website, which has a rich documents section.

Security

Security concerns connected to the Arctic and the Northwest Passage during the Cold War era are analyzed by several authors. Accessible online, recommended sources include the works of P. Whitney Lackenbauer and Robert N. Huebert: Lackenbauer, ed., *Canadian Arctic Sovereignty and Security: Historical Perspectives*, *Calgary Papers in Military and Strategic Studies*, no. 4 (2001); Lackenbauer, "The Military as Nation Builder: The Case of the Canadian North," *Journal of Military and Strategic Studies* 15, no. 1 (2013): 1–34; Lackenbauer, "From Polar Race to Polar Saga: An Integrated Strategy for Canada and the Circumpolar World," *Foreign Policy for Canada's Tomorrow* 3 (2009). Further reading on the arguments include: Lackenbauer, "Further Reading," *Calgary Papers in Military and Strategic Studies*, no. 4 (2011): 437–46; Adam Lajeunesse,

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On submarine activity under the Arctic ice, see Adam Lajeunesse, "A Very Practical Requirement: Under-Ice Operations in the Canadian Arctic, 1960–1986," *Cold War History* 13, no. 4 (2013): 507–24, and on the passage of the SS *Manhattan* see Ross Coen, *Breaking Ice for Arctic Oil: The Epic Voyage of the SS* Manhattan *through the Northwest Passage* (Fairbanks: University of Alaska Press, 2012); and Matthew Willis, "The *Manhattan* Incident Forty Years On: Re-assessing the Canadian Response," *Calgary Papers in Military and Strategic Studies*, no. 4 (2011): 259–82; the 1969 report by CBC journalist Norman DePoe is available at the CBC archive and Sun Ship Historical Society's website, where some information about the history and the characteristics of this tanker is stored.

On the history of the DEW Line, Lynden T. Harris's comprehensive website, The DEW Line Chronicles, is essential, and for a list of major archival collections with materials related to the DEW Line, consult P. Whitney Lackenbauer, Matthew Farish, and Jennifer Arthur-Lackenbauer, The Distant Early Warning (DEW) Line: A Bibliography and Documentary Resource List.

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On Inuit perspectives, fears, and expectations, see the website of the Inuit (ITK), the national Inuit organization in Canada, representing four Inuit regions: Nunatsiavut (Labrador), Nunavik (northern Quebec), Nunavut, and the Inuvialuit settlement region in the Northwest Territories.

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