

Dear Students,

Quebec's English-speaking communities are as diverse as they are numerous. Some go back generations; others have been transplanted more recently and are setting down deep roots in this province.

Quebec's English-speaking communities are rooted in many cultures. They are a diverse lot - English, Scottish, Irish, Greek, Italian, Polish, Ukrainian, Chinese, East Asian, East Indian, West Indian and Caribbean. Whatever their origins, their roots in Quebec are solid and growing.

English-speaking communities are present across this vast province, in urban and rural settings. They are passing on their language and traditions in fishing communities on the Gaspé coast and the Lower North Shore, in mining communities in Central and Northern Quebec, in farming communities in the Eastern Townships and the Outaouais, and they can be found living and working in large urban centers in and around Montreal and Quebec City.

Presented by CBC Montreal and the Quebec Community Groups Network (QCGN) and supported by the English Language Arts Network (ELAN), the Quebec Anglophone Heritage Network (QAHN), and the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA), My Quebec Roots Video Contest is a competition designed to highlight the vibrant stories of English-speaking Quebec. Videos can tell the stories of their communities through



pictures, sound and spoken word, exploring their past through the traditions of oral history and recording the stories of community and family elders.

To enter the My Quebec Roots Video Contest, you must submit a 2-3 minute video at www.cbc.ca/montreal starting on January 12. Full contest details at www.qcgn.ca or www.cbc.ca/montreal
