This icon is at the core of the visual identity of 6 Degrees, representing both the holistic approach of the Indigenous medicine wheel, and the alarm that draws immediate attention to an issue.
6 DEGREES

6 Degrees drives a global conversation on citizenship and inclusion. The Canadian initiative includes an immersive annual three-day event in Toronto, as well as a series of one-day pop-ups across Canada and around the world. 6 Degrees is about connection, conversation, artistic representation, and the power that comes from bringing people together. It counters rising nativism and exclusion, and instead, invites everyone to find a place in our circle.

MANIFESTO

A brief account of the recent past.
Tragic events unfold, obliging large numbers of people to cross borders and confront walls, seeking shelter, safety, and a modicum of the opportunities enjoyed by those of us in less distressed circumstances.
This global movement—unprecedented in scale since the Second World War—engenders strong reactions. Certain individuals and interests take advantage of the instability, and the fear. The politics of exclusion, wrapped in the bunting of populism and nationalism, seem triumphant.

But counter-forces emerge. Though a few are state actors, most arise from communities of every description. Citizens push back and out, defending the vulnerable, advancing specific concerns and larger values alike. What they share is a vision of social inclusion—the demanding, genuine kind. No matter how uncomfortable the process can sometimes feel, these people are building bridges, working out how to make conversations fair and connections real.

All sides emphasize the primacy of homes. For some, it is the Homeland and what must be done to protect it. For others, it is shared spaces and the march for equality and recognition. For all of us living in Canada, it is Turtle Island and how reconciliation must unfold.

Walls, bridges, homes—the contested settings for the dramas of our volatile era? But maybe we’re already through the worst of the era, and can start making that case now. Together.
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25 COUNTRIES REPRESENTED
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130 ORGANIZATIONS

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PEOPLE

Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin gives the citizenship certificate to a new Canadian citizen, as Chief Stacey Laforme and Clerk of the Ceremony Paulina Cimachowicz stand in the receiving line.
DATE: Monday, September 25
LOCATION: Leslie & Anna Dan Galleria, TELUS Centre for Performance and Learning

The 2017 edition of 6 Degrees Citizen Space opened with a community citizenship ceremony celebrating 50 new Canadian citizens.

The day began with the Institute for Canadian Citizenship’s signature roundtable discussions—an opportunity for new citizens to share their stories of immigration and reflect on what it means to be an active and engaged citizen. The discussions were facilitated by roundtable hosts, among them 6 Degrees speakers, participants, and Junior Fellows. Other hosts included The Hon. Laura Albanese, Ontario Minister of Citizenship and Immigration, Clayton Shirt, Traditional Knowledge Keeper of the Ojibway-Cree Nation, and Farah Nasser, Global News Toronto anchor. The common sentiment, as expressed by one new citizen, was that “we all came from somewhere, but today we begin as Canadians.”

The Rt. Hon. Beverley McLachlin, Chief Justice of Canada, presided over the ceremony, thanking new citizens for embracing Canada: “While we don’t share the same past, we share a common future.”
Other speakers included ICC Co-Chairs The Rt. Hon. Adrienne Clarkson and John Ralston Saul, and Stacey Laforme, Chief of the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation. Mme. Clarkson acknowledged the courage and bravery of the new citizens. “Anyone who comes here from another country has guts,” she said. “We need people with courage.”

The new citizens were also treated to a magnificent traditional dance performance by Ian Akiwenzie, Ojibway Pottawatami from Chippewas of Nawash First Nation, and were joined in their singing of the national anthem by the outstanding Wexford Chamber Choir.

The ceremony marked a heartwarming launch to 6 Degrees Citizen Space, an opportunity for international attendees to experience a Canadian citizenship ceremony, and a way to engage new citizens in a global conversation on citizenship and inclusion.
Sophie Grégoire Trudeau opens the Leadership Lunch by discussing the importance of empathy.
LEADERSHIP LUNCH
FOR 6 DEGREES YOUTH INITIATIVES

DATE: Monday, September 25
LOCATION: Baillie Court, Art Gallery of Ontario
EVENT PARTNER: LiUNA

The Leadership Lunch supports the 6 Degrees Junior Fellows and 6 Degrees Young Advisors, as well as partnerships with Toronto Pearson International Airport’s Propeller Project, Pathways to Education, CivicAction’s DiverseCity Fellows, and Ryerson University.

Thank you to our Leadership Lunch Corporate Table Partners: Boston Consulting Group, Canadian Council of Construction Unions, Deloitte, Lions Group, and LiUNA Local 183.

SPEAKERS:
Tyler Brûlé
Editor in Chief, Monocle
The Rt. Hon.
Adrienne Clarkson
Co-Chair and Co-Founder, ICC
Sophie Grégoire Trudeau
Gender equality advocate
Joseph Mancinelli
International Vice President and Regional Manager for Central and Eastern Canada, LiUNA
The Rt. Hon.
Beverley McLachlin
Chief Justice of Canada
Neil McLaughlin
Group Head of Personal and Commercial Banking, RBC

PERFORMERS:
Wexford Gleeks

IN THE ROOM:
The Hon.
Elizabeth Dowdeswell
Lieutenant Governor of Ontario
Wadah Khanfar
President, Al Sharq Forum
Jack Oliveira
Business Manager, LiUNA OPDC
Frank McArdle
Executive Director, Canadian Superior Courts Judges Association
Mary Gordon
Founder and President, Roots of Empathy
Daniele Zanotti
President and CEO, United Way Toronto & York Region
Reni Eddo-Lodge
Journalist, author, and activist
“Inclusion and diversity are part of our values. They’re part of Canada’s values and they are critical to the future prosperity of this country.”

NEIL MCLAUGHLIN

Tyler Brûlé, Editor-in-Chief, Monocle, emphasizes the importance of continuing the Canadian narrative and expanding networks

“How do we mobilize young Canadians to get them out into the world to tell our story?”

TYLER BRÛLÉ

“If we live in fear, we can’t be creative. If we can’t be creative, we can’t contribute to human progress.”

SOPHIE GRÉGOIRE TRUDEAU

Neil McLaughlin, Group Head of Personal and Commercial Banking, RBC, gives welcoming remarks

Adrienne Clarkson, John Ralston Saul, Beverley McLachlin, Sophie Grégoire Trudeau, and Frank McArdle are greeted by the Wexford Gleeks
“To build a strong future, we must include the next generation of leaders.”

JOSEPH MANCINELLI

“If Canada has a brand that is unique, it is in how we treat diversity and how we celebrate it.”

THE RT. HON. BEVERLEY MCLACHLIN

Beverley McLachlin and Adrienne Clarkson discuss the significance of Canada’s cultural diversity.
15th Lafontaine-Baldwin Lecture
Delivered by Michael Sandel

DATE: Monday, September 25
LOCATION: Koerner Hall, TELUS Centre for Performance and Learning

How many people can pull off a Socratic exchange on immigration and the responsibilities of citizenship with nearly 1000 people? Maybe just one: Michael Sandel, the legendary Harvard professor of philosophy.

“What are our obligations to our fellow citizens?” Sandel asked at the outset. In 60 minutes, Sandel did the near impossible: framed and advanced an argument around the centrality of public discourse to a healthy democracy, while involving more than a dozen audience members in the discussion. Does Democracy Have a Future?, now a CBC Ideas episode, was a thrill for everyone there. It also set the tone for the following two days of spirited conversation.

TOPIC: Does Democracy Have a Future? Political Argument in the Age of Trump
PERFORMERS: Young Creek Singers

IN THE ROOM:
The Rt. Hon. Beverley McLachlin
17th Chief Justice of Canada
The Hon. Elizabeth Dowdeswell
Lieutenant Governor of Ontario
The Hon. Bill Graham
Former Minister of Foreign Affairs
Ydessa Hendeles
Curator and philanthropist
Zabeen Hirji
Global Advisor, Future of Work, Deloitte
Bernhard Schlink
Jurist and award-winning author
Jim Fleck
Business leader and philanthropist
Rohinton Mistry
Award-winning author
Michael Sandel engages the audience during his lecture.
Michael Sandel delivers the 15th LaFontaine-Baldwin Lecture

The Hon. Bill Graham, member of the Expanding Circle 2017, participates in the discussion
Anowa Quarcoo responds to Sandel’s questions.


Haroun Bouazzi, Co-Chair of AMAL-Quebec, shares his insights with the room.
The first 360 of 6 Degrees Citizen Space 2017 saw our speakers take on barriers: systemic, ideological, and linguistic. The conversation began with reflections on the connotations of walls from authors Margaret Atwood, Reni Eddo-Lodge, and Bernhard Schlink, as well as Regina Catrambone of the Migrant Offshore Aid Station, and Robert Johnson of the Institute for New Economic Thinking. Are barriers always and absolutely undesirable? In the round, our discussion addressed histories and ongoing structures of colonialism, institutional racism, questions of language, and the schisms and upheavals within our own so-called democratic societies.

“Equal societies are happy societies.”
MARGARET ATWOOD

“The most difficult walls to overcome are the ones in our hearts.”
REGINA CATRAMBONE

Speakers of 360: Walls, Bernhard Schlink, Reni Eddo-Lodge, Charlie Foran, Margaret Atwood, Regina Catrambone, and Robert Johnson

Stacey LaForme, Chief of the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation, speaking at 360: Walls
360: BRIDGES

What does the bridge as metaphor offer us in thinking through the idea of welcome? Our second 360 began with a conversation on what bridges and building them might mean to surgeon and mother Nadine Caron, Toronto District School Board trustee Ausma Malik, author and activist Ahmad Danny Ramadan, professor and ICC Board member Niigaan Sinclair, and Fabrice Vil of Pour 3 Points.

From discussions on our collective responsibility to all beings who inhabit the land, host John Ralston Saul turned the conversation to problematic disparities that require bridges to be built in the first place. The importance of standing in solidarity and embracing allies was highlighted, with Caron saying that “the more you ask for help and the more you bring people into your circle, the more successful your goal and your objective and your journey.” The conversation was complicated, however, by the reminder of power imbalances and the need to hear directly from marginalized voices. Were bridges, which connect two fixed points, even a metaphor that could fully capture the many dimensions of power at play?
Our final 360 asked how continuing displacement and the impossibility of return shape narratives of home. This moving conversation brought together storytelling scholar Kiku Adatto, photographer Yannis Behrakis, documentarian Sunny Bergman, Wadah Khanfar of the Common Action Forum, and Hadeel Ibrahim of the Africa Center and the Mo Ibrahim Foundation.

Along with session host Adrienne Clarkson, the speakers and audience dug into how memory, nostalgia, and language call for a deeper understanding of home as something carried over geographical distances. There were startling, emotional revelations on varying notions of home—a place of shared values, somewhere the heart beats slow, the ties that bind a family, a journey, a decision—all of which underlined how nebulous and complex “home” can be. There were as many questions as answers. One notable one raised by a young Indigenous woman—what does it mean to be the original inhabitants of a land, yet not feel that Canada has or ever will be home?

“My home is my spirit, and my values. My home is when I break free from the chains of materialism.”
WADAH KHANFAR

“I’m a progressive because I believe that the future has to be better than the past.”
HADEEL IBRAHIM

Speakers of 360: Homes, Yannis Behrakis, Adrienne Clarkson, Sunny Bergman, Kiku Adatto, Hadeel Ibrahim, and Wadah Khanfar
Surrounding the anchor 360 sessions are smaller, more intimate conversations. Some emerge from our work with partners, some are driven by ongoing research projects, and others are ways to advance ideas that have emerged in the course of the two days of discourse.

2017’s Exchanges included a role-playing game chronicling the journey of displacement in the Northern Triangle of Central America, a discussion-driven session on sanctuary cities, a panel on digital rights and citizenship, and discussions showcasing new research on inclusion.
Overhanging the 360 stage at the Art Gallery of Ontario was a most extraordinary piece of work painted by Kent Monkman: a 12-by-24-foot canvas depicting the collision of two crafts inspired by Théodore Géricault’s The Raft of the Medusa and Bill Reid’s The Spirit of Haida Gwaii.

Installed over seven hours two days prior, the unfinished piece and two smaller studies were the focal point of the room, and the subject of a conversation featuring the artist himself and AGO curator Wanda Nanibush, joined by John Ralston Saul, and Bernhard Schlink. Monkman talked through the painting as his interpretation of the Two Row Wampum Treaty, the broken promises of European colonizers, and accepted histories as fiction.
6 DEGREES PRESENTS:

HUMAN FLOW BY AI WEIWEI

DATE:
Tuesday, September 26

LOCATION:
Isabel Bader Theatre

Martin Katz, ICC Board Secretary and President of Prospero Pictures, moderates a Q&A with Ai Weiwei
The impact of watching Ai Weiwei’s *Human Flow* is hard to convey. The artist shares the stories of those caught in the global migration crisis with intimate smartphone videos and sweeping overhead shots, quiet conversations and evocative music, fits of laughter and cries of despair. Filmed over the course of a year and across 23 countries, the documentary conveys a deeply human story of struggle.

Following the film, Ai was welcomed to the stage with a standing ovation to discuss the making of *Human Flow* with the president of the Academy of Canadian Film and Television, Martin Katz. The artist, a surprise guest that evening, took comments from the audience, including a number of emotional thank-yous from former refugees in the crowd, moved by seeing their stories shared with the world.
A packed Koerner Hall for the second Adrienne Clarkson Prize for Global Citizenship.
How excited was the Toronto audience to welcome Ai Weiwei to Canada for the first time? At the first mention of his name, the audience interrupted Adrienne Clarkson’s opening remarks with raucous applause. On her naming him the second laureate of the Adrienne Clarkson Prize for Global Citizenship, the appearance of the great Chinese artist and activist on stage triggered the first standing ovation of the night, lasting well over a minute. What ensued was no less extraordinary: an intimate, funny, honest 40-minute conversation touching on Ai’s father, his childhood in inner exile, his emergence as one of the world’s most essential artists, and the challenges of being a dissident voice in China.

Framed by powerful performances by Dione Taylor, the evening was soon being declared one of the essential cultural experiences of the year.
The Adrienne Clarkson Prize sells out at Koerner Hall

Ai Weiwei accepts the Adrienne Clarkson Prize for Global Citizenship medal
Dione Taylor performs at the Adrienne Clarkson Prize for Global Citizenship

Ai Weiwei in conversation with Adrienne Clarkson, ICC Co-Chair

John Tory, Mayor of Toronto, and John Ralston Saul, ICC Co-Chair

Ai Weiwei takes a selfie with Charles Sousa, Ontario Minister of Finance
In 2017, the ICC’s research program, Ideas & Insights, continued to shed light on issues of citizenship and inclusion, through 6 Degrees fellowship programs.

Reports were produced by two Senior Fellows, writer and editor Sarmishta Subramanian, and former lawyer and journalist Lauren Heuser, each with their own approach to dissecting questions around diversity and inclusion.

We also collaborated with Ryerson University and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada on a project examining the unique opportunities and challenges that young, new Canadian entrepreneurs and innovators face.

In 2018, we will be expanding Ideas & Insights, augmenting our ability to conduct research into citizenship and inclusion in Canada and around the world.
SARMISHTA SUBRAMANIAN

All of Us: What We Mean When We Talk About Inclusion
In partnership with the Royal Bank of Canada (RBC)

This report unpacks a number of the underlying issues, controversies, and considerations around workplace inclusion, before pivoting to data: How do 64 large Canadian employers who collectively employ 1.2 million Canadians practice diversity and inclusion?

HIGHLIGHTS:
• Most companies see themselves as being diverse, but the next step towards inclusion often remains elusive.
• Every employer surveyed agrees that inclusive teams make better decisions than teams that are not inclusive.
• Both diversity and inclusion need better data and metrics. 40% of respondents said that their organization did not have metrics to measure the impact, efficacy, or return on investment when it comes to diversity, and 47% said the same when it came to inclusion.

LAUREN HEUSER

Closed Shops: Opening Canada’s Legal Profession to Foreign-Educated Lawyers
In partnership with the Centre for International Governance and Innovation (CIGI)

This report examines the obstacles that internationally educated lawyers face in Canada, laying out the unfair barriers these professionals cope with, and providing tangible, targeted recommendations on how we can make the legal profession in this country more inclusive.

HIGHLIGHTS:
• In Canada, 69% of Canadian-trained lawyers work in the legal profession, versus only 12% of foreign-trained lawyers. Our research indicates that the root of this disparity is circumstance, rather than ability.
• Unlike Canadian lawyers, foreign-educated lawyers face an uncertain and lengthy licensure timeline, don’t have access to generous student loans, frequently study without support from professors or peers, and face numerous other barriers that thwart efforts to practise here.
• More provinces should create fairness commissioners, mandated to narrow gaps in licensing outcomes between Canadian- and foreign-trained professionals. Manitoba, Nova Scotia, Ontario, and Quebec are the only provinces with them at present.
The Junior Fellowship program celebrates young leaders and bold ideas. The 2017 cohort of 12 Junior Fellows was chosen from over 350 applications—four times as many applicants as in 2016. Six Junior Fellows come from Canada, and the other six bring roots, connections, and experiences from around the world, including Belgium, Colombia, Greece, India, Ireland, Lebanon, Singapore, Spain, and Sweden.

Junior Fellows were brought to 6 Degrees Citizen Space and awarded an honorarium to undertake unique projects in their communities, such as promoting inclusion through podcasts, addressing language barriers in health care, or creating safe spaces for women.

We are grateful for the support of our Fellowship Partners, including Royal Bank of Canada, Janmohamed Nagji Jinah Family, Air Canada, LiUNA, Global Centre for Pluralism, the City of Vancouver, and United Way Toronto & York Region.
JUNIOR FELLOWS:

SARA ALAVIAN
HAMILTON, CANADA
PROJECT: Podcast that explores the intersection of urban policy and the social factors of health

HAMAN MAMDOUHI
TORONTO, CANADA
PROJECT: HealthBridge, eliminating the language barrier in Canadian health care

ARPITA BISHT
NEW DELHI, INDIA
PROJECT: Community integration program in Vasant Kunj Institutional Area

CONOR MCGLYNN
BRUSSELS, BELGIUM
PROJECT: The EuroBabble Podcast, promoting active European citizenship

ARIANNA ESPINOSA OLIVER
BOGOTÁ, COLOMBIA
PROJECT: Tres Cocos, a digital platform for policy analysis and civil society participation

DERAKHSHAN QURBAN-ALI
TORONTO, CANADA
PROJECT: WelcomeHomeTO, connecting resources, people, and organizations who support newcomers

INAARA HASMANI
TORONTO, CANADA
PROJECT: InterFaith, a one-day, monthly excursion to explore Toronto’s vast diversity

CORAL SALVADOR SOY
ATHENS, GREECE
PROJECT: Running a back-to-school program for refugees in Greece

KAWTHAR KAROUT
STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN
PROJECT: Girls’ Café, supporting women’s rights in Sweden

NAYAELAH SIDDIQUI
OTTAWA, CANADA
PROJECT: Empowerem, creating safe spaces for young Muslim women

BERNARD LIM
SINGAPORE, SINGAPORE
PROJECT: Courageous Conversations, a campaign to promote religious harmony

RODNEY STEHR
COQUITLAM, CANADA
PROJECT: Providing intersectional programming for queer youth in suburban Metro Vancouver

SELECTED APPLICANTS:

12
6 Degrees-Toronto Pearson Youth Cohort

6 Degrees partnered with Toronto Pearson’s Propeller Project to create a meaningful experience to connect young people from across the city. The inaugural 6 Degrees-Toronto Pearson Youth Cohort—a group of 15 young leaders from the communities surrounding Toronto Pearson International Airport—worked with 6 Degrees to organize 360: Propelling Youth Employment in the GTA on December 13. Following the event, the cohort developed a set of recommendations and best practices for dissemination to the public and private sectors.

The cohort members began their involvement in 6 Degrees by attending the Leadership Lunch, where they had the opportunity to connect, network, and hear inspiring talks by Tyler Brûlé, Beverley McLachlin, Adrienne Clarkson, and Sophie Grégoire Trudeau. Cohort members then came together at the Albion Library to watch a livestream of 360: Walls, and participate in a facilitated discussion.
6 DEGREES-QUEBEC COHORT

Since its founding in 2016, 6 Degrees has been working to build closer ties with French-speaking organizations, individuals, and places in Canada. This year, we invited six prominent activists from Quebec to attend and take active part in 6 Degrees Citizen Space. Their participation was indispensable to the conversations, bringing a unique perspective, and hands-on experience with the challenges and opportunities they have faced in their own work to build a more inclusive Canada.

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CIVIC ACTION
DIVERSECITY FELLOWS

As part of CivicAction’s DiverseCity Fellowship, five DiverseCity Fellows were partnered with the ICC and 6 Degrees. Working with the 6 Degrees team, they built a project to explore the policies and realities of creating sanctuary cities, culminating in a dynamic session at 6 Degrees Citizen Space. “What Does It Take? Building Sanctuary Cities in 2017” brought together Graham Hudson, Undergraduate Program Director for the Department of Criminology at Ryerson University, and Denise Andrea Campbell, Director of Social Policy, Analysis and Research at the City of Toronto, to discuss the challenges, opportunities, and lessons learned in the implementation of sanctuary city policy in Toronto. Participants then dove deeper into conversations on undocumented migrants, fear, and the way citizens can mobilize to support sanctuary city policy.
6 Degrees would not be possible without the ongoing support of an extraordinary group of civic leaders and visionaries from across Canada. These individuals have demonstrated their commitment from the very start.

FOUNDING CIRCLE

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Christine Armstrong & Irfhan Rawji
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Zai & Riaz Mamdani
Judy & Wilmot Matthews
Sandra & Jim Pitblado
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Anonymous

FOUNDING CONNECTORS
Cristina & Manuel DaCosta
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Najla & Mohammad Al Zaibak

FOUNDING PATRONS
Wynn & Dr. Bill Bensen
Ydessa Hendeles
Trina McQueen
Anonymous
The Expanding Circle is a natural extension of the Founding Circle. To ensure we remain dynamic and ambitious, we look to our members of the Expanding Circle for guidance. It is a widening circle of influencers, civic leaders, and engaged citizens.
“The creative commitment of our Partners makes it possible for us to take the lead in exploring new pathways for dynamic citizenship.”

THE RT. HON. ADRIENNE CLARKSON & JOHN RALSTON SAUL
CO-CHAIRS AND CO-FOUNDERS
This year’s event and brand reach was remarkable. About four times as many people visited 6 Degrees event pages as in 2016, and all evening events sold out. Marketing efforts included print and digital advertisements (The Globe and Mail, The Walrus); poster campaigns for 6 Degrees Citizen Space, the Adrienne Clarkson Prize for Global Citizenship, and the 15th LaFontaine-Baldwin Lecture; and targeted social media ads (Facebook, Instagram). We also reached our target audience by partnering with organizations with robust e-newsletters including the Art Gallery of Ontario, the Royal Conservatory of Music, and the Ontario Public Service.
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MEDIA COVERAGE


EARNED MEDIA HITS (PRINT, RADIO, TELEVISION):

50

Dr. Nadine Caron at a CTV interview discussing 6 Degrees
6 Degrees Citizen Space 2017 drew an incredible amount of interest from media. Global personalities like Ai Weiwei and Michael Sandel, as well as on-the-ground change-makers like Regina Catrambone and Nadine Caron engaged media across a number of multilingual outlets, including CBC, CTV, enRoute, Financial Times, L’Express, Maclean’s, Metro, National Post, NOW, OMNI TV, Radio Canada International, The Globe and Mail, National Post, Toronto Life, Toronto Star, and TVO.

Additionally, 6 Degrees renewed a partnership with The Globe and Mail, which allowed us to promote our brand across Canada through full-page advertisements, and to spread our message of inclusion through six impactful essays touching on our themes of Walls, Bridges and Homes. An additional partnership with OpenCanada.org ensured live coverage of our events and featured essays written by our speakers.

GLOBE AND MAIL ESSAYS:

EVENT LISTINGS:
Attendees and the 6 Degrees community were engaged across Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook before and throughout 6 Degrees Citizen Space, leading to #6DegreesTO trending in Toronto and Canada for all three days of the event.

| ONLINE FIGURES | FACEBOOK PAGE ENGAGEMENT: 4300 |
|               | TWITTER PROFILE VISITS: 6305   |
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|               | TWITTER MENTIONS: 635           |
|               | NUMBER OF TWEETS: 283           |
|               | USES OF #6DEGREESTO ON TWITTER: 2500 |
NASSIRA EL MOADDEM
@NassiraELM
September 29, 2017
Quelle expérience incroyable d’avoir pu présenter le travail du @LeBondyBlog à des gens venus du monde entier à Toronto. Merci @6DegreesTO !

6 DEGREES
@6DegreesTO
September 25, 2017
An honour to have Sophie Grégoire Trudeau at #6DegreesTO Leadership Lunch talking about love, empathy, bldg bridges

6 DEGREES
@6DegreesTO
September 12, 2017
Then & @nowtoronto. @MargaretAtwood will talk Walls w @reniren, Bernhard Schlink, @m_ebrard & @ReginaCatrambon at #6DegreesTO #AliasGrace

ENGAGEMENTS:
414

IMPRESSIONS:
18 400

IMPRESSIONS:
13 311

TOTAL TWITTER IMPRESSIONS:
388 000
On the heels of the Dutch federal election, 6 Degrees Den Haag was our first attempt at taking our initiative beyond Canada. Brexit, the election of U.S. President Donald Trump, and the rise of the far-right in Europe were the news of the day.

More than ever, we needed conversations about active citizenship, economic inclusion, refugees, belonging, and how we can be the best advocates for the things we believe in. This gathering of globally minded positive voices came together to foster dialogue, encourage leadership, and find new language to convey new thinking. Issues of racism, inclusive education, and finding common ground between nationalists and global citizens drove the day’s discussions.

Photos: Yaman Hendawi

Speakers Simon Kuper, Geert Mak, Zabeen Hirji, Katherine Watson, Khalid Ouaziz, and John Ralston Saul

DATE: April 3, 2017

LOCATION: Peace Palace
The Hague, Netherlands
Three weeks after 6 Degrees Den Haag, the team went to Vancouver to ask the question: Are you home?

Participants came together to discuss the difference between being at home and feeling at home, both in Canada and around the world. Safety, boundaries, respect, and shared culture all informed the complex notions of home articulated by audience and speakers alike. What became more important, however, was how this translates into a Canadian context: settler stories, shared histories, plurality of identity, and responsibilities to reconciliation are at the heart of how our country evolves as a home to those living within its borders.

Photos: Greg Ehlers

Max FineDay discusses the successes of Indigenous youth

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SPEAKERS AND FACILITATORS:

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360: Feeling at Home, with Natalie Chapdelaine, Sirish Rao, Ivan E Coyote, Nelofer Pazira, Adrienne Clarkson, and Ginger Gosnell-Myers
Through 6 Degrees Citizen Space, our satellite events 6 Degrees Den Haag and 6 Degrees Vancouver, and more intimate events held throughout the year, we listened and took note of recurring themes. Our work in 2018 will be informed by these powerful, clear calls to action.

1. **MAKE RECONCILIATION A PERSONAL PROJECT THROUGH EVERYDAY ACTIONS AND AWARENESS**

We’re all responsible for the project of reconciliation, and everyday actions can be part of the process. There are many opportunities to engage: Honour residential school victims and survivors by attending commemorations, advocate for land acknowledgements, and learn words in the language of the people who cared for the land we live on long before our birth.

2. **OWN OUR HISTORY AND MISTAKES**

We must all face the demons of our past—be they our own actions or our inherited histories—and learn from them. Understanding cause and effect can inform the changes we need to make, and empower us to act positively and productively.
**3**

**ALLYSHIP MEANS BEING WILLING TO GIVE SOMETHING UP**

Those with privilege must recognize it and be willing to step down in order to amplify the voices of those with less privilege. Allyship is not a unidirectional helping hand, but a complex project of self-reflection, support, and action. Make space and be sure not to speak for those who wish to speak for themselves.

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**4**

**INCLUSION IS A SPECTRUM THAT CONCLUDES WITH MATTERING**

The ambition of inclusion goes well beyond tokenism—it is both belonging and mattering. "Diversity is being invited to the party," Verna Myers once said, while inclusion "is being asked to dance."

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**5**

**OPEN CONVERSATION IS THE FIRST—AND NECESSARY—STEP**

Ask questions, have humour, discuss something uncomfortable, and don’t be afraid to disagree. Acknowledging where we lack knowledge and allowing our preconceptions to be challenged is the first step toward growth and greater understanding. Conversely, those with specific experience should be patient with knowledge-seekers.

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**6**

**THINK UPSTREAM: EDUCATION IS WHERE TO START**

Building a truly inclusive society starts young. Educators and schools can and should play a significant role in equipping society with the right language and context to discuss past injustices and paths forward.

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**7**

**UNDERSTAND THE STRUCTURAL CAUSES OF CONFLICT AND OPPRESSION**

For some it’s an uncomfortable truth: White supremacy is at the root of much disadvantage in the world. Western foreign policies catalyse conflict and are the ultimate cause of the ongoing refugee crisis. Systemic barriers to people of colour perpetuate cycles of poverty and disenfranchisement. We must face these realities and act against them, because in concert, they threaten to leave generations in ruins.

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**8**

**DISRUPT THE STATUS QUO**

The world is changing and our governments, policies, and social structures must change with it. We should resist the urge to say "this is the way it’s always been," and instead look to evolve our language, thinking, and actions.

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**9**

**THERE’S AN ECONOMIC CASE FOR DIVERSITY**

Diversity, inclusion, and belonging are not just feel-good causes. They’re good business. Newcomers are often more likely to start new businesses and to innovate than those native-born. Population growth, and therefore economic growth, is now the direct result of immigration. More voices at the table mean more ideas, disruption, and innovation.

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**10**

**INVEST IN YOUNG PEOPLE**

We need to bring young people into the circle by listening to them, mentoring them, and hiring them. With an aging population, investment in young people will undoubtedly pay off.
A YEAR IN PHOTOS

6 Degrees Vancouver

Professor Ric Young, Aziz Shariff, member of the 6 Degrees Expanding Circle, and Khalil Shariff, ICC Board Member

Paula Martin, Advisor to the CEO, Vancity welcomes the 6 Degrees Vancouver audience
Richard Atleo, philosopher and hereditary chief of the Ahousaht First Nation at 6 Degrees Vancouver

Munira Jivraj, 6 Degrees Founding and Expanding Circle member, and Zai Mamdani, 6 Degrees Founding Circle member

Canadian Heritage representatives Seema Jethelal and Erica Tao, and Irfan Rawji, ICC Board Member and member of the Founding Circle
Ruth Ramsden-Wood, ICC Board Member, with Amin and Nigar Khimji, members of the 6 Degrees Expanding Circle

Sophie Grégoire Trudeau, ICC Board Member Andreas Souvaliotis, and Éric Lauzon, Community Partnership Manager, Air Canada at the Leadership Lunch for 6 Degrees Youth Initiatives

Mitzie Hunter, Ontario Minister of Education, at Teaching for Inclusion, hosted by the 6 Degrees Young Advisors and the Banff Forum

Upkar Arora, Expanding Circle and ICC Board Member, Faïssal Lafrikhi, and 6 Degrees speaker Nassira El Moaddem
Lesley Kim, ICC Board Member at the Leadership Lunch for 6 Degrees Youth Initiatives

Elizabeth Dowdeswell, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, is greeted by Joseph Mancinelli, Vice President, LiUNA, and 6 Degrees Founding Circle member

CC Co-Chairs, ICC staff, 6 Degrees Young Advisors, and volunteers at 6 Degrees Citizen Space

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