

Narratives (Cont.)

Veterans' Voices Audio Stories

A series of short audio stories from Veterans' Voices awardees and others in the Minnesota Veteran community.

5-12 📖 🎧 *Ampers*

Veterans' Voices Literature Resource

Literary selections for educators to explore the absent narratives of Veterans, military service members and families in the classroom.

5-12 📖 ✎ *Veterans, writers, educators, Great Books Foundation*

Reflections on War and Service: Memorials on the St. Paul Capitol Mall

This guide helps students make meaning of war memorials, and better understand military service through Veteran experiences.

5-12 📖 ✎ *Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs*

Water Audio Stories

A series of interviews where Minnesotans share their relationship to water. Stories are still being accepted by the Smithsonian!

5-12 📖 🎧 *Smithsonian Institution, EPA, MPCA, MNDNR, MDH, AWWA, Minnesota Historical Society*

Water Educator Guides

These lessons build upon the *Water/Ways* and *We Are Water* exhibits, providing activities that study watersheds, pollution, water travel, cultural relationships with water, and more.

3-12 📖 ✎ *Smithsonian Institution, EPA, MPCA, MNDNR, MDH, AWWA, Minnesota Historical Society*



Educator Tools

Digital Suitcases 📁

Online lesson plans developed by educators from Saint Paul Public Schools around specific social studies themes and standards.

Minnesota Storytime Reading Guides

Over 60 reading guides developed for librarians, teachers, child care providers, parents, and anyone interested in reading and literacy activities with children pre-K-5.

Absent Narratives Resource Assessment Tool

This helps the process of building relationships to stories and the people who tell them, aiming to help you create a 'balance of stories' and open space to increase engagement.

Selecting and Assessing American Indian Resources

Reflect critically about how American Indians are represented and presented in classroom texts and resources. This tool helps educators include authentic stories and experiences in classrooms.

Ojibwe Vocabulary Project: Aaniin Ekidong

A dictionary developed by Ojibwe elders that allows you to use newer concepts to teach math, science, social studies, and more.

ABSENT NARRATIVES Resources

Our free collection contains over 1,000 educator resources, including videos, literature, and guides.

The Minnesota Humanities Center is committed to amplifying marginalized voices, the absent narratives often left out of Minnesota's story and classrooms. Resources are developed in partnership with our state's diverse cultural communities.

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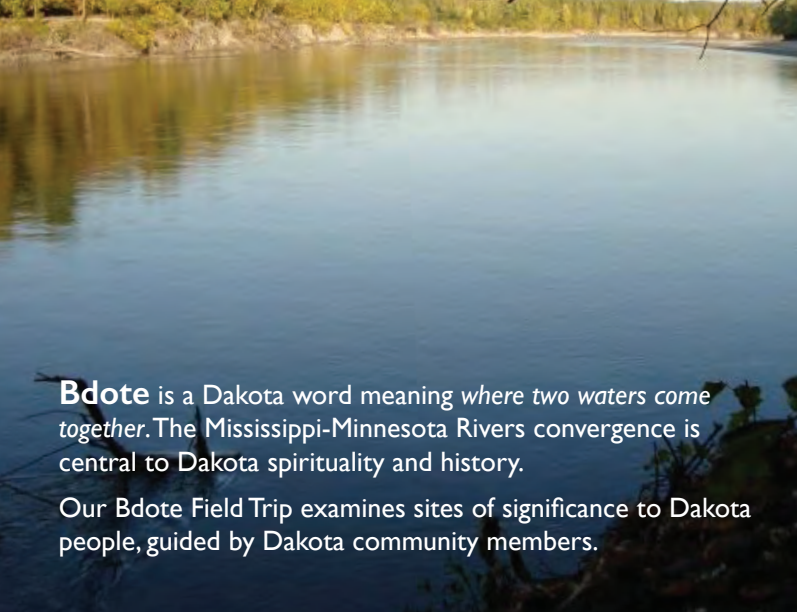
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Bdote is a Dakota word meaning *where two waters come together*. The Mississippi-Minnesota Rivers convergence is central to Dakota spirituality and history.

Our Bdote Field Trip examines sites of significance to Dakota people, guided by Dakota community members.



Why Treaties Matter is a traveling exhibit focusing on treaties between Dakota and Ojibwe Indian Nations and the U.S. government. Visit mnhum.org for tour info.

This award-winning exhibit is also on permanent display at the Minnesota State Capitol (3rd Floor).

Dakota & Ojibwe Nations

mnhum.org/resources

Bdote Memory Map bdotememorymap.org

This place-based website examines Dakota people's relationship to the place we now call Minnesota, and provides many resources.

K–12 *Allies:MediaArt*

Bdote Field Trip Resources

A guide to helping plan your Bdote Field Trip, and a video primer to enhance learning through indigenous perspectives.

5–12 *Allies:MediaArt, Saint Paul Public Schools*

American Indian Responses to Statehood

Dakota and Ojibwe people tell how statehood affected their homes, families, and future—stories painfully absent from history textbooks.

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Between Fences, Land & Borders: Indigenous Perspectives

This documentary accompanied the Smithsonian Museum on Main Street traveling exhibit *Between Fences*.

5–12 *Allies:MediaArt*

Four Seasons of the Ojibwe

Four short, informational videos introducing Ojibwe culture.

K–5

A Day in the Life of Tribal Nations in Minnesota

This video accompanies the *Why Treaties Matter* exhibit.

3–12 *Minnesota Indian Affairs Council, National Museum of the American Indian*

Why Treaties Matter Resources treatiesmatter.org

This companion website contains an enhanced virtual tour of the nationally recognized *Why Treaties Matter* exhibit, and educator guides to provide background, vocabulary, readings, and activities.

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**Leadership in History Award
Minnesota Indian Affairs Council, National Museum of the American Indian*



Treaties affirm the sovereignty of American Indian nations, enabling tribal governments to maintain a nation-to-nation relationship with the U.S. government.

Narratives Across the State

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Absent Narratives Author Series

Latino, Hmong, Dakota, and Ojibwe authors discuss their work, influences, experiences, and student questions about the craft.

9–12

Braided Lives: An Anthology of Multicultural American Writing

Over 40 literary pieces (and 10 lesson plans) geared toward high schoolers. Currently out of print—available online.

9–12 *Minnesota Council of Teachers of English*

Community Voices and Experiences

Community members discuss family experiences, economic contributions, adjusting to a different culture, and journeys.

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Somali Bilingual Books

Four illustrated Somali folktales authentically preserve heritage languages while increasing English literacy in Somali families. Books available print-on-demand.

K–5 *Minnesota Somali Community*

Latino Arts: A Community Vision

Learn how 12 of Minnesota's finest Latino artists convey a vision of our future enriched by Latino culture during this documentary.

3–12 *Minnesota Council on Latino Affairs, tpt*

Latino Voices Across Minnesota

This series explores the contributions of Latino communities to the arts, culture, and economy of different regions in Minnesota.

6–12 *Minnesota Council on Latino Affairs*

Yellow: Where We Can Be

Youth share experiences of growing up Asian American in the Twin Cities. Currently out of print—available online.

6–12 *Asian Pacific Youth Council, Council on Asian Pacific Minnesotans*

Prayers on the Prairie

This documentary illustrates how Asian Minnesotans from five different faiths are able to thrive, practice, and live in Minnesota.

3–12 *Council on Asian Pacific Minnesotans*

The Reading Together Project

These six books speak to the experiences of Asian Pacific Islander youth in the U.S. Books available print-on-demand.

K–5 *Council on Asian Pacific Minnesotans*

Iron Range: Minnesota Building America

This Emmy-awarded documentary highlights the history and future of the Iron Range, with many accompanying resources.

5–12 *tpt, *Emmy Award: Best Cultural Documentary*



Firsts: Minnesota's African American Groundbreakers

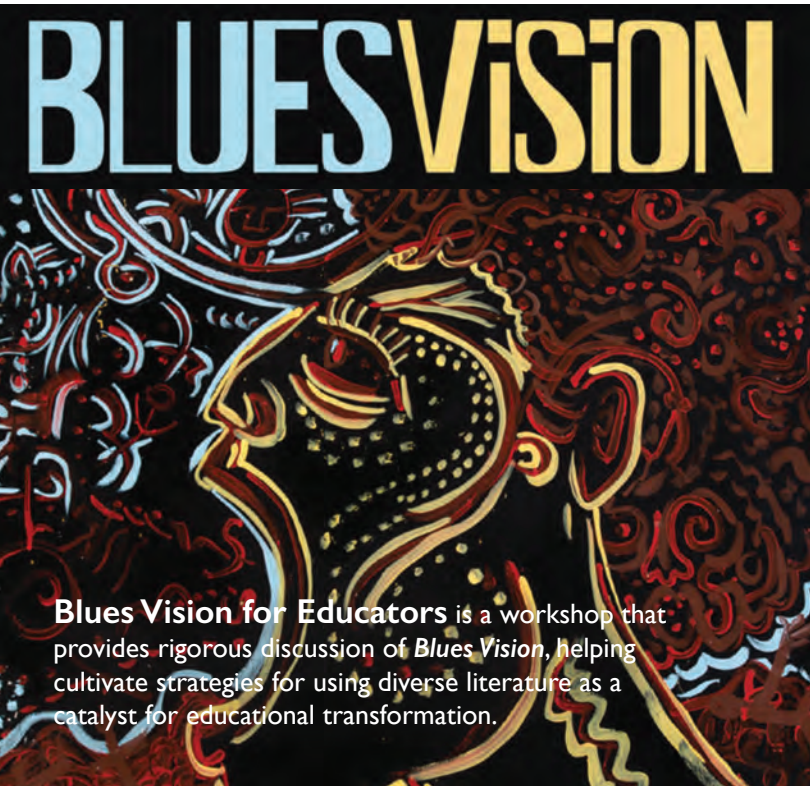
A series of interviews capturing what it means to be a “First,” hosted by award-winning author Alexis Pate.

5–12 *Council for Minnesotans of African Heritage, *National Hometown Media Award: Cultural Perspectives*

Blues Vision: African American Writing from Minnesota

Edited by Alexis Pate, this anthology includes over 60 pieces by African American authors, exploring the Black literary tradition and experiences in Minnesota.

5–12 *Minnesota Historical Society Press*



Blues Vision for Educators is a workshop that provides rigorous discussion of *Blues Vision*, helping cultivate strategies for using diverse literature as a catalyst for educational transformation.

- PDF download
- hard copy book
- guide(s) available
- A/V file
- aligned to Minnesota state standards