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First-ever National I Read Canadian Day to take place February 19, 2020

Stratford, ON, February 7th – Join the Stratford Public Library to celebrate I Read Canadian Day on Wednesday February 19th. This nationwide initiative that features the richness, diversity, and breadth of Canadian literature will be celebrated from coast to coast at bookstores, in homes, and at Canadian libraries.

I Read Canadian Day was created to raise awareness of Canadian books and to celebrate the excellence of Canadian literature for all ages. This event encourages everyone, young or old, to read nationally for just fifteen minutes any time on this special day.

"I Read Canadian Day is a wonderful excuse to try that first chapter of a new book or author," notes local author and Library Board Member, Marthe Jocelyn. "Let's make this happen across Stratford: spend just a few minutes exploring something Canadian. I'll bet you keep going!"

Stratford Public Library encourages residents to join in the celebration. Come and try out a new title from the *I Read Canadian* displays or be part of our annual mystery reading event, Blind Date with a Book. Children's programs throughout the week of February 17th will also be placing a special emphasis on Canadian stories. Let's celebrate, Canada!

For more information, visit www.lreadcanadian.com/day.

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