

# Theatre Radicalism and Political Intervention in Canada: A Journey through Resistance, Representation, and Revolution



## Committing Theatre: Theatre Radicalism and Political Intervention in Canada by John A. Brennan

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## The Roots of Theatre Radicalism in Canada

The history of theatre radicalism in Canada is intertwined with the country's social and political struggles. From the early days of colonialism to the present day, theatre makers have used their craft as a weapon to challenge oppression, demand justice, and inspire social change.

In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, working-class theatre groups emerged as a powerful force for resistance against industrial capitalism. These groups, often associated with labour unions and socialist organizations, used theatre to educate and mobilize workers, and to demand better working conditions and social reforms.



## **Theatre as a Tool for Social Justice**

In the mid-20th century, theatre radicalism took on a new dimension with the rise of social justice movements. Theatre makers began to use their work to address issues such as racism, sexism, and homophobia.

One of the most influential theatre companies of this period was the Theatre Passe Muraille in Toronto. Founded in 1968, Passe Muraille became a hub for radical theatre and social activism. The company's productions tackled taboo subjects and challenged traditional notions of theatre and society.



The Theatre Passe Muraille was a major centre for radical theatre in Canada.

### **Contemporary Theatre Radicalism**

Theatre radicalism continues to thrive in Canada today. Theatre makers are using their work to address a wide range of contemporary issues, including climate change, Indigenous rights, and the rise of far-right movements.

One of the most exciting new developments in Canadian theatre radicalism is the emergence of Indigenous theatre. Indigenous artists are using theatre to reclaim their voices and stories, and to challenge the ongoing legacy of colonialism.



## **The Future of Theatre Radicalism in Canada**

The future of theatre radicalism in Canada is bright. Theatre makers are continuing to find new and innovative ways to use their work to challenge injustice and promote social change.

As the world faces new and unprecedented challenges, theatre radicalism will become more important than ever. Theatre makers will continue to be at the forefront of the fight for a more just and equitable society.

Learn more about the history and impact of theatre radicalism in Canada in the upcoming book, *Theatre Radicalism and Political Intervention in Canada*. This groundbreaking work explores the vital role that theatre has played in shaping Canadian society.

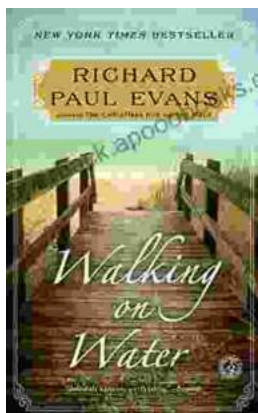
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