



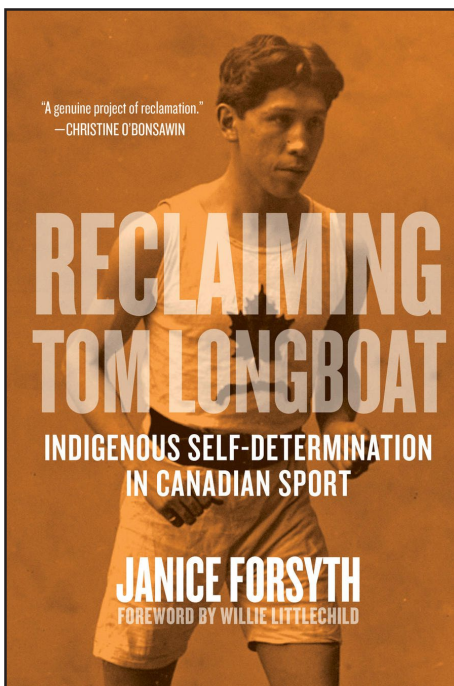
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## OHS Indigenous History Award Recognizes Janice Forsyth for *Reclaiming Tom Longboat: Indigenous Self-Determination in Canadian Sport*

The Ontario Historical Society is pleased to present the 2020 Indigenous History Award recognizing significant contributions towards the promotion or preservation of Indigenous history or heritage in Ontario to Janice Forsyth for her book *Reclaiming Tom Longboat: Indigenous Self-Determination in Canadian Sport*, published by the University of Regina Press (2020)

In *Reclaiming Tom Longboat*, Janice Forsyth deftly tackles Longboat's biography, the history of the Tom Longboat award, and the politics involved in sport. Through the lens of the Tom Longboat Awards, this book reveals the workings of the postwar state and how some Indigenous peoples navigated it. Most topically for our present moment, Forsyth's work exposes the interconnection between residential schools, sport, and attitudes towards sport, thereby addressing the complexities of colonialism and racism, and the more systemic and structural forms in which these power dynamics play out. Forsyth draws upon diverse historical methodologies that allow her to demonstrate how their purposes have evolved with time and how sentiment towards them has always been multifaceted.

The Honours and Awards Committee congratulates Janice Forsyth.



### Watch Janice Forsyth's Video Acceptance:



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