

Don Freed's HEART OF MY COUNTRY PRESENTATION

For fifteen years Don has journeyed from Dawson City, Yukon to the First Nations of Southern Ontario writing songs of traditional legends and local stories with First Nations children in elementary schools. Heart of My Country presents students the stories and songs gathered in Don's travels. From the Kaska Ice Age Legend of the mammoth Dunna Cho through legends and stories from the Cree, Dene, Han, Dakota, Ojibway, and the Métis, Don will both entertain, inform and inspire your students to want to learn more. He will also teach them of the importance and relevance of treaties in his anthemic song 'Heart of My Country' with the chorus:

*"Heart of My Country, Heart of My Land,
Written on paper not upon sand
The Heart of my Country must never cease
Heart of My Land is a promise of peace"*

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