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FROM **PEPINOT** TO  
**PAW PATROL**®  
TELEVISION OF OUR CHILDHOODS



This exhibition focuses primarily on programming for children ages 2 to 11, and features shows produced and broadcast in Canada, from the birth of Canadian television in 1952 to the present day. From thousands of productions, we have chosen nearly 100 programs, including live action, animation, and puppet shows. All were chosen for their enduring popularity, artistic quality, and innovation.

### **The Television of Our Childhoods**

Children's faces light up when they watch television. Engaging characters and fantasy worlds spark their imaginations. Television also prepares youngsters for school and later life, while helping them navigate the changing values of our communities.

For more than 70 years, there has been a little bit of me, you and all of us in children's television.

#### **Selected featured programs:**

Passe-Partout  
Polka Dot Door  
Takuginai  
The Friendly Giant  
Mr. Dressup  
Bobino  
La Boîte à Surprise  
Dino Dana  
Toc Toc Toc  
La Pat' Patrouille/ PAW Patrol  
Anne/Anne with an E  
Canadian Sesame Street  
Degrassi Junior High  
Watatatow

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## **Let's Learn Together**

Canadian children's television uses fun activities, such as dancing and singing, to begin teaching youngsters what they will soon learn in school, as well as how to stay healthy.

Children's television also helps kids connect with their emotions and with the adults in their lives, and teaches the importance of friendship and helping one another.

### **Selected featured programs:**

Fon Fon  
The Friendly Giant  
Fred Penner's Place  
Tóta tánon Ohkwá:ri  
Cornemuse  
Polka Dot Shorts  
La Souris verte  
Polka Dot Door  
Takuginai  
Marie-Soleil  
Passe-Partout  
Today's Special  
Parcelles de Soleil  
Pouic explore le monde/ Peep and the Big Wide World  
Teepee Time  
The Adventures of Napkin Man  
Arthur  
Wapos Bay  
Sesame Park  
Mr. Dressup  
Teepee Time  
Dr. Cheddar  
Benjamin/Franklin  
Caillou  
Wapos Bay  
Iniminimagimo  
Degrassi/Degrassi Junior High  
La Pat' Patrouille/PAW Patrol  
Benjamin/Franklin  
Fraggle Rock  
Canadian Sesame Street  
Les Amis Ratons/The Raccoons

## **All-Time Favourites**

This section features some of the best children's television produced in Canada. These shows reflect their English, French and Indigenous worlds. Many of these programs lasted for decades, won awards, and even achieved cult-like status.

As you discover — or rediscover — these all-time favourites, you are sure to come across some that helped shape your own early years.

### **Selected featured programs:**

Passe-Partout  
Polka Dot Door  
Takuginai  
The Friendly Giant  
Mr. Dressup  
Bobino  
La Boîte à Surprise  
Dino Dana  
Toc Toc Toc  
PAW Patrol/La Pat' Patrouille  
Anne of Green Gables  
Canadian Sesame Street  
Degrassi/Degrassi Junior High  
Watatatow

## **Let's Use Our Imaginations**

Children's programming in Canada is all about discovering imaginary worlds with favourite characters as our guides.

Television encourages us to explore new frontiers — under the sea, around the world, and even in outer space. It makes us laugh, helps us face our fears, and takes us on exciting adventures. At its best, children's television makes us eager for whatever comes next, and ignites a spirit of adventure that never leaves us.

### **Selected featured programs:**

The Friendly Giant  
Les Oraliens  
Robin Fusée/Rocket Robin Hood  
Wapos Bay  
Anash and the Legacy of the Sun-Rock

Dino Dana  
Nic et Pic/Nic and Pic  
Le vagabond/The Littlest Hobo  
Polka Dot Door  
Passe-Partout  
Toc Toc Toc  
La Boîte à Surprise  
Fraggle Rock

### **Let's Explore Who We Are**

Children's television in Canada reflects, defines and even redefines our values and symbols.

Television has an impact on everyone, helping to shape childhood. Children's television explores social issues, and addresses the importance of accepting and celebrating our differences. Children's programming also shows us who we were, who we are, and what we could become.

### **Selected featured programs:**

Jacob Two-Two  
The Adventures of Napkin Man  
Wapos Bay  
Canadian Sesame Street  
Canot Cocasse  
Takuginai  
Benjamin/Franklin  
Sesame Park  
La Pat' Patrouille/ PAW Patrol  
Polka Dot Door  
Les Amis Ratons/The Raccoons  
La Boîte à Surprise  
Fanfreluche  
Bobino  
Nic et Pic  
Caillou  
Cornemuse  
Toc Toc Toc  
Le Vagabond/The Littlest Hobo  
Today's Special  
Degrassi  
Tóta tánon Ohkwá:ri

Raven Tales  
Anash and the Legacy of the Sun-Rock  
Teepee Time  
Anaana's Tent  
Fon Fon  
Watatatow  
Maggie Muggins  
Robin Fusée /Rocket Robin Hood  
Mr. Dressup  
Sous l'arbre parasol/Under the Umbrella Tree  
Passe-Partout  
Dino Dana  
Marie-Soleil  
Acadieman  
Les Oraliens  
Robin et Stella  
Chez Hélène  
Téléfrançais!

### **See You Again Soon**

Now it is time to say goodbye to the characters from our childhood TV shows. Or maybe, "See you again soon," given that so many of them still live within us. They were — and are — part of our daily lives. And they remain part of who we are.

There is a bit of me, you and all of us in children's television.

### **Selected featured programs:**

Fred Penner's Place  
Cornemuse  
Jacob Two-Two  
Anaana's Tent  
Marie-Soleil  
Iniminimagimo  
Canot Cocasse  
Bibi et Geneviève  
Teepee Time  
The Adventures of Napkin Man  
Tóta tánon Ohkwá:ri  
Today's Special