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## **ROAD TRIP DOC SERIES EXPLORES SOME OF SASKATCHEWAN'S LESSER KNOWN INDIGENOUS HEROES**

*Trevor Cameron's spin off series, Shadow Of..., premieres on Citytv Saskatchewan*

**27 June 2022 (Saskatoon)** - Saskatoon's KarmaFilm and Métis director Trevor Cameron present a documentary series exploring the legacies of four of Saskatchewan's lesser known Indigenous historical figures. In four half hour episodes inspired by Trevor's feature documentary *Shadow of Dumont* (ImagineNative premiere 2020), our campervan captain and unofficial historian, Trevor Cameron once again sets out in the open road in search of untold histories to offer a more wholesome understanding of the contributions Indigenous people have made to Saskatchewan.

*Shadow of...* premieres the feature length version on Citytv **Monday June 27 at 10 PM MT** as part of recognizing and celebrating Indigenous peoples in Canada and their stories for National Indigenous History Month. The half hour episodes premiere **Friday July 1 at 10PM MT**.

Two years after Trevor Cameron's examination of his own family roots and following the life of his uncle and Métis freedom fighter Gabriel Dumont, his curiosity takes him across Canada searching for overlooked legacies in Saskatchewan history – **Mary Greyeyes**, the first Indigenous woman to join the Canadian Army; **Jim Brady**, Métis organizer, and political firebrand who mysteriously went missing in the 1950s; **Édouard Beupré**, the Willow Bunch Giant, whose fame on the freakshow circuit in early Canada was cut short, then dwarfed by the treatment of his body after death ; and **Mary Ann Lavalley**, a Cree activist that changed Canada's laws around Indigenous farmland ownership, children's education and women's role in society.

Trevor's search for answers takes him all over Saskatchewan and across Canada to Ontario and Quebec to fully understand the impacts and true legacies left behind by these unsung heroes. "I went looking for lesser known Indigenous figures in Saskatchewan's history to pull their stories into the light and celebrate their accomplishments." Trevor comments, "My interest and love of these figures made for an enlightening journey into our shared histories." Co-producer Victoria Vaughan states "I'm in continuous awe of Trevor Cameron's reverence for storytelling. He is a respectful orator with a humorous touch." Producer Kelly Balon adds "We are finally at a time where we can deconstruct colonial histories and share the invaluable contributions of Indigenous peoples to the social and political fabric of Canada."

*Shadow of ...* was produced by Kelly Balon and Anand Ramayya (KarmaFilm) and co-producer Victoria Vaughan for Citytv Saskatchewan in association with Creative Saskatchewan, Canada Media Fund, SaskTel Max Equity Fund, and Canadian production tax credits. Shot by director of photography Peter Christensen, edited by Lowell Dean, with original score by Raj Ramayya, and animation by Saskatoon's Gilbert Baldhead. *Shadow of...* premieres the feature on Citytv Saskatchewan Monday June 27 at 10 pm followed by the episodes beginning July 1.

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