

2020 Tribute Award Citation for Dr. Adrian Tanner



Dr. Adrian Tanner retired from Memorial University in 2004, after 32 years of service with the Department of Anthropology. Since his retirement, his contributions to his discipline have continued at an exhausting pace, yet he finds time to make significant contributions to his provincial and national communities.

Dr. Tanner currently holds the title of Honorary Research Professor at Memorial University. Since his retirement, he has published academic peer-reviewed journal articles and book chapters, as well as an updated edition of *Bringing Home Animals. Mistissini Hunters of Northern Quebec*. He has undertaken team and individual research, and has worked with and supervised graduate students at Memorial. He served for 10 years on the University's Interdisciplinary Committee on Ethics in Human Research. External to the University, has been an evaluator of SSHRC research proposals, and, since 2008, has been a member of the Awards to Scholarly Publications Program.

His current research interests include the indigenous peoples of Quebec, Labrador and northern Ontario, covering such topics as land tenure and the documentation of local knowledge. Because of his reputation in these areas, he has served as a consultant and an expert witness on indigenous rights matters in Newfoundland and Labrador, Quebec and Ontario.

Dr. Tanner is a dedicated community member and tireless volunteer. Since 1994, he has served in various capacities with the East Coast Trail Association and since 1997 has been Newfoundland and Labrador's representative with Hike Canada en Marche, Canada's Nation Hiking Association. He has been a Board member of the Centre for Long Term Environmental Action, Newfoundland and Labrador since 2011 and is a founding member of the Social Justice Cooperative of Newfoundland and Labrador.

In recognition of his academic pursuits and community involvement, Dr. Tanner has been awarded

- 2019 Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers, for his work with the East Coast Trail Association
- 2013 The Weaver-Tremblay medal in Applied Anthropology. Canadian Anthropology Society
- 2013 Appointed a 'Founding Fellow', Canadian Anthropology

In 2015 *Bringing Home Animals. Mistissini Hunters of Northern Quebec Second Edition* was shortlisted for the Atlantic Book Award for Scholarly Writing.

The MUNPA Tribute Award (2020) is given in recognition of Dr. Tanner's extensive academic work and his community service since retirement.