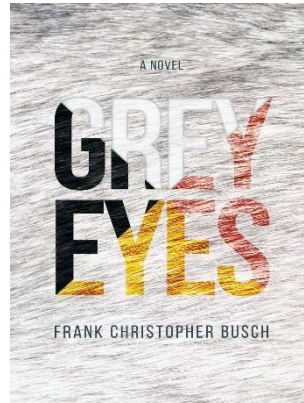




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Reading of *Grey Eyes* (2014) with the Canadian author Frank Christopher Busch



The Marburg Centre for Canadian Studies is pleased to invite all friends of Canada to a reading of *Grey Eyes* (2014) with the Canadian author Frank Christopher Busch (see picture above). Frank C. Busch is a member of the Nisichawayasihk Cree in northern Manitoba and studied at the University of Manitoba. He lives in British Columbia together with his wife and children. Working at a law firm during the Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement, Frank had to interview and collect the stories of hundreds of survivors in order to make their claim against the Canadian government.

Throughout the many conversations and stories he was told, there was one message Frank received over and over again: "I just want my culture back". It was this message which made Frank decide to write a novel in response as an attempt to offer a literary access to their lost culture. Frank's first novel *Grey Eyes* (2014) was published in July 2014 as first volume in a planned series. In his novel, Frank describes the events that take place in a pre-Columbian Nehiyawak (Cree) surrounding the birth of a grey-eyed boy. Legends and beliefs of the Cree tell of the powerful magic and powers held by the Grey-Eyes who use them to keep evil at bay and to maintain the harmony between land and humanity. In possession of equally great magic and powers, their enemies, the so-called Red-Eyes, are the biggest threat to the future of the village. Being cunning and treacherous, the Red-Eyes are capable of disturbing peace and harmony by fueling the flames of conflict between the band members in order to distract them from their real enemies.

Date: Thursday May 27, 2021

Time: 06:15 pm – 07:45 pm

Place: Online via Big Blue Button, Link: <https://webconf.hrz.uni-marburg.de/b/fre-kzq-rda-n24>

A registration is not required. Participants can login at the beginning of the lecture. After the reading of a selected passage, the author will be available for questions and further discussion.

In case of questions please contact Mr Bleiber (bleiberf@uni-marburg.de)

For further information please visit: <https://www.uni-marburg.de/de/fb10/mzks>