

The True Story of . . .

VOICES
IN THE
Wind

. . . The People Of The Plains



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*W*hen your feet touch the earth
do you ever wonder about the people
who lived here hundreds of years before?

Voices in the Wind available in one hour and half hour formats, is a documentary special exploring the oral history and traditions of the First Nations of the plains. **Gordon Tootoosis** who has starred in such films as *Legends of the Fall* hosts the special. This documentary thematically visits a past and testifies to a present that few Canadians know.

Reflecting important aspects from their cultures, their stories encompass:

- relations (the self in relation to family and the environment)
- family values (Elders, honor, respect)
- ideology/philosophy (the importance of land and relations to the self)
- spiritual values (ceremonies like the sweat lodge, sun/rain dance)
- culture change (in the system of relations, ceremonies, languages, technical progress, reserve lifestyle, urban lifestyle)

The theme of a grouping of people, their relationship to the environment, and the resulting belief systems and culture that continue to evolve to ensure their survival, offers the viewer a greater understanding of the First Nations peoples. Relying on the oral tradition, **Voices** evokes images from the past that establish a foundation from which to journey to the future. Through the active participation of Elders and aboriginal historians, this documentary accurately reflects the past and present from a First Nations perspective.

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