

We Don't Keep Anybody Out; But We Don't Let Them in Either: Stories of the First Island-Born Chinese on Prince Edward Island – Laura Lee Howard

This research proposes to extend the concept of Islandness to human migration and integration, whereby the Islandness elements of insularity, and boundedness has influence on the integration of new settlers to the Island. The boundedness of islands and their limited space means interactions between and amongst people are more immediate, visible and keenly felt. Keeping these possible interactions and reactions in mind, the researcher plans to hear the stories and voices of first Island-born Chinese. The aim is to highlight the stories and voices of the first Island -born Chinese, who were faced with the specific challenge of trying to “fit in” on a small island, and to frame their experience within the concept of Islandness.