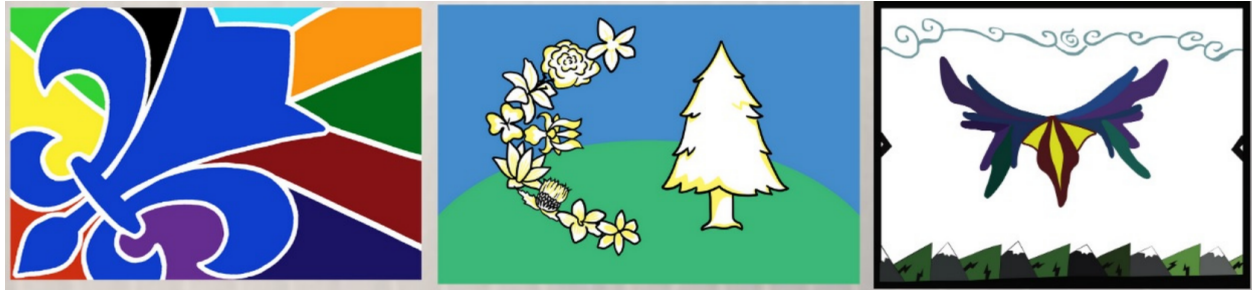


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Y4Y Quebec presents its three candidate flags for the English-speaking Community of Quebec



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“Promoting the Visibility and Vitality of Quebec's English-speakers through the Creation of an Official Flag for the English-Speaking Community of Quebec”.

Inspired by the flags of French-speaking communities in the rest of Canada, this project's primary goal is to create the first official flag that will serve to unite and represent the English-speaking community of Quebec. In the future, the flag can be used by all community organizations to identify gatherings, events, activities and projects that focus on the English-speaking community.

“The excellent flags that our Youth Artists have created are the result of constant dialogue” said Symbolism Committee President Alexandre Pettem. “Analyzing the responses to our Symbolism Survey on meaningful imagery as well as absorbing design input from the Committee was indispensable to the final product” said Chairperson and prominent Canadian vexillologist David-Roger Gagnon. English and French-speaking community organizations were consulted, furthermore, for their preferences and recommendations throughout the entire process.

- **Flag 1:** A fleur-de-lis represents Quebec as the geographic context of the English-speaking community. The maple leaf edge represents the Canadian context of the community. An "E" is outlined in the flower as the first letter of "English". The arrays of colors in the background represent the cultural diversity of the English-speaking community.
- **Flag 2:** The layout of this design is inspired by the Franco-Ténois flag, which highlights the landscape of the region. The white pine tree symbolizes the indigenous communities of Quebec and the half-wreath is made of the national flowers that make up Quebec's English-speaking community, with a fleur-de-lys in the center to form it into an E.
- **Flag 3:** This flag design honours the indigenous communities in Québec, with a stylized design of clouds, references to the province's ancient mountain range, and with an antler crest at its centre.

We encourage Quebec residents of all ages to voice their opinions and vote on which flag they believe best represents the English-speaking community by clicking [here](#).

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