

Five Easy Steps to entering the *Create Your Own Heritage Minute* contest

1. As a group, determine what subject to base your Heritage Minute on. Depending on the size of your group and the resources at your disposal, here are some suggestions:

- **Are you an animator?**

Since you are not dependent on resources or group members, any subject having to do with the War of 1812 is at your disposal. As an animator, you can create a Heritage Minute as big or as small in scope as you would like.

If you would like to go big, consider recreating the War's big battles scenes - from the [Battle of Chrysler's Farm](#) to the [Battle of New Orleans](#) - or, the naval conflicts of the [Atlantic Campaign](#) or of the [Lakes](#).

For a complete list of War of 1812 battles and naval campaigns, or for more options, click [here](#).

- **Are you a small group of participants?**

There are plenty of significant events that took place off the battlefield. The signing of the [Treaty of Ghent](#) or the construction of [Brock's Monument](#) are subjects perfectly suited for smaller groups.

For a complete list of possible subjects, click [here](#).

- **Are you one individual?**

You can take a note from the "Emily Murphy" or "Louis Riel" Heritage Minutes and feature nothing but yourself in the video. There are plenty of key characters to choose from, including: [The Prophet](#), [Major-General Isaac Brock](#), and [President James Madison](#).

For a complete list of key character from the War of 1812, click [here](#).

- **Are you a teacher?**

If you choose to submit one entry for the entire class, there are plenty of events and battles that necessitate a large number of your students. Consider [The Capture of Detroit](#) or [The Sacking of York](#).

If you plan to divide your class in smaller groups and enter several Minutes, consider recreating the signing of [Webster-Ashburton Treaty](#) or delving into what it was like to be a member of [The Coloured Corps](#).

For a complete list of possible subjects, click [here](#).

To read through Learning Resource specific to the Heritage Minute contest, click [here](#).

2. Review the timeline/story:

- Make sure you understand the subject, review what you know and research any additional information you need on our [War of 1812](#) website.

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- Create a timeline. Choose important moments you would like to recreate in your Minute.
3. Write a script and create a storyboard to have a clear idea and to pre-visualize what your Minute will look like.
4. Rehearse, film, and edit your Minute.
 - Only the content of the minute has to be historically accurate. That excludes anything to do with the costumes, accessories and location of your production.
 - The Heritage Minutes cannot be longer than 60 seconds.
5. Register and submit your film by clicking [here](#).