

## Selected Submissions – 2024-2025 LCC Photo Collection Views on Justice in Action: Photos by Law Students



"A sea of orange shirts flooded downtown Winnipeg on the first National Day of Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) on September 31, 2021. I felt an overwhelming sense of empowerment being surrounded by like-minded individuals, of all ages and abilities. I felt immense pride to be in the company of so many courageous advocates and I was particularly inspired by the youth in attendance, their determination and their commitment to social justice.

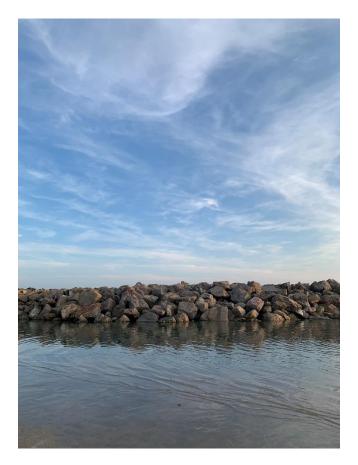
My pursuit of a legal career stems from my belief that I am a catalyst for change; whether it be through marching and chanting in the streets advocating for human rights or the environment, or through collaborative research and writing. As a lawyer, I hope to contribute to a broader movement of social justice, ensuring the Canadian legal system evolves to protect the rights and dignity of all individuals, regardless of race, background, or identity."

Avery Alexiuk, University of Manitoba Faculty of Law



"This photo was taken on Hastings Street in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside (DTES). It is a sign posted across the street from Canada's first safe injection site, Insite. While in law school, I studied the Insite case in multiple courses (*Canada (Attorney General*) v. *PHS Community Services Society*, 2011 SCC 44). Before law school, I worked for a non-profit organization in the DTES and saw the effects of the overdose crisis on a daily basis. I hope to use my law degree to help marginalized members of our communities and do what I can to address the other crisis we are facing: the access to justice crisis."

- Felicia Slogoski, University of British Columbia Allard School of Law



"Entre ciel et mer perdure encore la terre.

Rempart de sable, amas de pierres, nous respirons ton air.

Les alvéoles pulmonaires des nouveau-nés

Qui pour la première fois inspirent

Apprennent à te connaître et à t'aimer :

Toi notre seul et unique oxygène,

Toi que nous devrons protéger.

Ni au-delà des nuages ni par-dessus le soleil

Se trouve notre maison. Elle se tient sur terre,

Où l'on s'endort et on s'éveille toujours ensemble

À l'unisson."

- Sophie Fernier, McGill University Faculty of Law



"All over the world, justice thrives through civility, the rule of law, and the relentless pursuit of fairness, equality, and human rights. It takes shape when people stand together with integrity and unity, turning justice from an ideal into a reality."

- Claudio Antonio Klaus, University of Toronto Faculty of Law



"Members of Queen's OutLaw, a student group that represents and advocates for 2SLGBTQ+ students at Queen's University, Faculty of Law, participated in a counterprotest in Kingston, Ontario, in October 2023. The protest opposed the teaching of 2SLGBTQ+ topics in schools. On one corner of a busy intersection, supporters of the 1 Million March 4 Children held signs protesting against 2SLGBTQ+ education and other issues affecting 2SLGBTQ+ youth. Across the street, members and supporters of Kingston's 2SLGBTQ+ community waved pride flags and held signs affirming 2SLGBTQ+ youth, particularly transgender youth. Queen's OutLaw joined the counterprotest to support 2SLGBTQ+ people in our community, including the need for inclusive education, and particularly for transgender youth who are facing opposition regarding gender affirming care and outing policies."

- Philip Da Costa, Queen's University Faculty of Law