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A Case of Access: Inuvialuit Engagement with the Smithsonian's MacFarlane Collection

Inuvialuit elders, youth, cultural experts, anthropologists and museum curators came together to share their respective knowledge about a Canadian Arctic museum collection held at the Smithsonian, documenting the process along the way.

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The Journey Home

In this project, the question was not whether ancestral remains should be repatriated from UBC to the Stó:lō Nation, but rather how to do things right.

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Education, Protection and Management of *ezhibiigaadek asin*

The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan sought to find culturally-appropriate ways to share information and knowledge about the sacred ezhibiigaadek asin site, while also ensuring its protection from exploitation.

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The Ngaut Ngaut Interpretive Project

After encountering offensive information online about a significant cultural landscape, the Mannum Aboriginal Community created their own interpretive content to share local values with tourists and others.

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Developing Policies and Protocols for Penobscot Nation Intellectual Property

The Penobscot Nation in Maine developed tribal protocols, tools, and an internal infrastructure to address intellectual property issues related to archaeology and heritage-based places.

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Moriori Cultural Database

This project produced a unique database of Moriori traditional knowledge which brought together elders and youth involved in recording, managing and protecting their heritage.

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Grassroots Resource Preservation and Management in Kyrgyzstan

A set of small-scale heritage preservation and education initiatives were designed by citizens of the Kyrgyz Republic, a post-Soviet nation where ties to the past have been weakened.

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Yukon First Nations Heritage Values and Heritage Resource Management

This project presented insights on Yukon First Nations (YFN) understanding of heritage and explored the potential implications of founding YFN heritage resource management law, policy and practice on these YFN values.

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Treaty Relations as a Method of Resolving IP Issues

Could the political relationship established between First Nations and Canada through historical treaties provide a framework for helping to resolve current Settler-First Nations issues?

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