

St. John's: Where Cliffs, Color, and Ocean Converge by Shipra Roy

Travel is one of the most rewarding ways to learn. Seeing a place even once teaches more than hearing a thousand stories about it. It stretches our understanding, widens our horizon and reminds us that every step carries its own story.



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To truly feel a place, its moods, mysteries, and quiet truths, you must go there. Many of life's difficult questions soften when you simply step outside and explore. Those who love to wander carry a quiet blessing, even when they return home to the calm of their villages.

Last March, we moved to St. John's, the capital of Newfoundland and Labrador, a province on the eastern edge of Canada. Today, I want to write about its weather, its striking landscapes, and the enchantment it holds, especially for anyone who cherishes nature. Perched on the Atlantic Ocean, St. John's is a small city wrapped in rugged hills and the vastness of the sea. It has the vibrancy of a modern urban Centre yet keeps the timeless charm of a historic settlement. As the oldest city in North America, it offers an unforgettable blend of heritage and natural drama. Colorful row houses hug rocky slopes beside calm harbour waters. Morning light drapes the city in a warm glow, deepening the contrasts between steep cliffs and bright facades under a restless sky.

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The narrow, winding streets, some shaped long ago by horse-drawn carts, carry an old- world character. Wander past the jellybean-colored houses and you'll find Quidi Vidi, a tiny fishing village preserved within the city, still echoing with maritime spirit.

A hike to Signal Hill is essential. Here, small wooden houses grip the cliff edges as waves crash below. The Cabot Tower, standing proudly at the summit, commemorates the 400th anniversary of John Cabot's voyage. It was also here that Guglielmo Marconi received the first transatlantic wireless signal in 1901, an event that reshaped global communication. From the top, the harbor and the open Atlantic spread out like a living canvas.

Nearby attractions include Cape Spear, the easternmost point in North America, where the ocean's power feels almost mythic. The Johnson Geo Centre, Admiralty House, Quidi Vidi Village, and the St. John's harbor front also draw countless visitors each year.

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Icebergs drifting past the coast are another unforgettable sight. This region is deeply connected to the famous 1912 tragedy of the Titanic, whose sinking after striking an iceberg remains etched in global memory. You might be surprised to know that the first distress signal from the Titanic was received at the Marconi wireless station in Cape Race, Newfoundland.

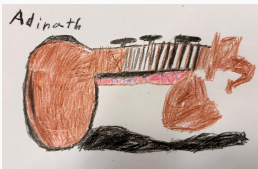
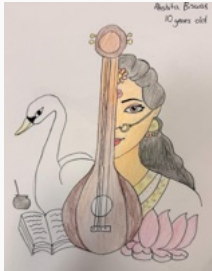
This station was the closest land-based signal station to the ship and its operators relayed the message, playing a crucial role in the rescue effort. Every August, the Royal St. John's Regatta, North America's oldest organized sporting event, takes place on Quidi Vidi Lake.



Uniquely, the regatta is also a public holiday, but only if the weather cooperates. In St. John's, even a holiday depends on the sky. As you explore, stroll along some of the oldest streets in the New World, discovering boutiques, art galleries, cozy cafés, and other hidden gems. The city invites you to pause, breathe, and collect memories at your own pace. Whether traditional or modern, local artisans infuse their work with vibrant expression. St. John's inspires you to live with dreams in your eyes and a path always unfolding at your feet.

Travel renews our love for nature. And St. John's, its colors, cliffs, people, and storms, will keep calling you back. Once you visit, its beauty settles permanently in your memory. So why not plan a trip here next summer?

Kids' Art Competition 2026



BPPOC (Bangladesh Puja Parishad Of Calgary) organized an Art competition on 23rd January at BPPOC Mandir (126, 3770 Westwinds Drive NE Calgary, AB). Around 15 to 20 participants attended this competition and created beautiful artworks. Theme of the art were musical Instruments (modern and ancient), musical notes.



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