

Newsletter

Hearing Unheard Moments (HUM): A Transformative Journey

Welcome to the launch of exciting new products from our, **Hearing Unheard Moments** (**HUM**) **program**, led by the Students Commission of Canada. HUM is a groundbreaking initiative aimed at helping youth identify and address moments of exclusion that can lead to radicalization. By leveraging comedy, arts, and Forum Theatre, we create safer spaces for real dialogue on polarizing topics.

The Young Producers: Co-Creating Change

A cornerstone of HUM is the involvement of young producers—a diverse group of youth from various identities and experiences. These young individuals co-create our media products, embodying the core values of respect, listening, understanding, and communication. Their collaborative efforts demonstrate how youth from different political spectrums can unite to make a meaningful impact.

Explore Our Media Products

The HUM project features a variety of engaging media products, including animations, skits, interviews, and surveys. Highlights include:

- Human sculptures that express moments of exclusion.
- Comedy animations that challenge dehumanizing speech.
- Infographics illustrating the impact of biased search algorithms.
- **Surveys** with <u>incarcerated individuals</u> and <u>taxi drivers</u> revealing insights on crime, justice, and cultural differences.
- Magic shows connecting themes of deception and media literacy.
- **PSA-style videos** exposing digital deceptions like <u>astroturfing</u>, <u>bots</u>, and <u>deepfakes</u>.
- Animations reflecting on language and land challenges.
- Satirical skits critiquing government policies through a family lens.

Each product is designed to foster empathy, critical thinking, and a deeper understanding of the polarizing forces impacting youth today.



Visit Our New Webpage

Dive deeper into the HUM program, explore our media products, and see the incredible work of our young producers. Visit our new webpage to learn more about how we are creating safer spaces for dialogue and promoting critical thinking among youth.

Get Involved!

We invite project funders, researchers, stakeholders, and supporters to join us in this transformative journey. Your involvement and support are crucial in helping us continue this important work. Together, we can foster a more inclusive and understanding society.





