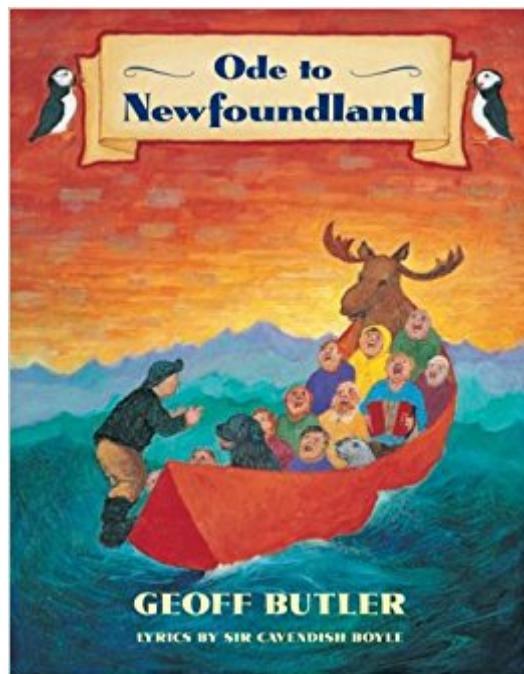


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# Ode To Newfoundland



## Synopsis

Winner of the Lillian Shepherd Award for excellence in illustration of a children's book set in Atlantic Canada. Winner of the Lila Stirling Award by the Canadian Author's Association, Nova Scotia. The Lila Stirling Award honors a great book by a Nova Scotia author for children under the age of ten. You don't have to come from Newfoundland to appreciate it as a unique and wonderful place — the first land to see the break of day in North America. The sentiments in Ode to Newfoundland reflect the people's relationship with the sea, the weather, and the rugged terrain. Written by Sir Cavendish Boyle, governor of Newfoundland from 1901 to 1904, and set to music composed by Sir C. Hubert H. Parry, Ode to Newfoundland is a tribute to a small land with an enormous heart. In this new book, Newfoundland-born Geoff Butler has set this well-loved anthem to joyous paintings, and provides readers with intriguing facts about the province: did you know, for example, that according to the Flat Earth Society, Brimstone Head on Fogo Island, is one of the four corners of the earth? With the Ode's full text and music, and with extensive notes about Newfoundland, this informative book is one to treasure by everyone who has been touched by the magic of The Rock.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 6 - 9 years

Grade Level: 1 - 4

## Customer Reviews

Grade 1-6-Butler has taken a well-loved anthem and created a picture-book glimpse into the history

of Canada's youngest province. The ode, originally written by Sir Cavendish Boyle, an early-20th-century governor of Newfoundland, details the relationship between the people of this region and their environment, depicting their respect and love for this land of great beauty and harsh extremes. Both expansive and well detailed, the illustrations offer a splashy mix of impressionism and folk art and are awash with vibrant colors. Music and the complete lyrics are appended, along with explanatory notes about the pictures that provide historical background and interesting tidbits. Teachers and students alike will appreciate this lovely bit of Canadiana. Robyn Walker, Elgin Court Public School, St. Thomas, Ontario, Canada

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