## NATIVES Americans

Neville Bonner : "We, as Aboriginal people, still have to fight, to prove that we are straight out plain human beings, the same as everyone else "

HOW THE DIFFERENCE COULD JUSTIFY TREATMENTS LEADING TO THE EXTERMINATION OF AN ENTIRE POPULATION.

## INTRODUCTION

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16 century : arrival of Europeans in North America. Confrontation between Europeans and Natives Americans.

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Not considered there equal but as " savages ".

Arrival of the first human on the American continent.

- live in symbiosis with they natural environment
- cultural expression
- social and political organization

Native American life, Karl Boomer, 1830

## I) THE COLONIALIST AMBITION OF THE EUROPEAN EXPLORER

1492 : discovery of the Americas by Christopher Columbus : beginning of century of exploitation and mistreatment.

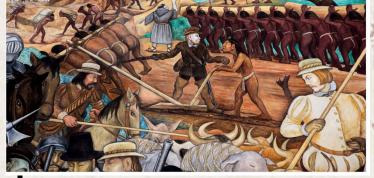
1756-1763

1492

Seven years war : alliance of Natives Americans and French against British, but Treaty of Paris failed to secure Native American interest.

XVI - XVII : confrontation between native Americans and European settlers.

- loss of lige
- cultural destruction



Colonization, Diego Rivera, 1951

## II) THE OVERWHELMING DOMINATION OF THE WHITE MAN 1924

Indian Citizenship Act : progressive era because it gave rights and dignity to native Americans.



Collect of frozen bodies after the massacre of Wounded Knee American Indian Movement : denouce the forgotten role of Native americans in americas history and the role that the american played in their massacre

1968



cultural assimilation, 1879