## **ALANIS OBOMSAWIN**

American Canadian Abenaki filmmaker, singer, artist and activist

One of the most acclaimed Indigenous directors in the world Alanis Obomsawin came to cinema from performance and storytelling. She has created an extraordinary body of work—more than 50 films and counting. The Abenaki director has received numerous international honours and in 2019 was named a Companion of the Order of Canada—its highest distinction

## We Can't Make the Same Mistake Twice

The rights of First Nations children take center stage in this monumental documentary. Following a historic court case filed by the Assembly of First Nations and the Child and Family Caring Society of Canada against



the federal government, Alanis Obomsawin exposes generations of injustices endured by First Nations children living on reserves and their families. Through passionate testimony and unwavering conviction, front-line childcare workers and experts including Cindy Blackstock take part in a decade-long court battle to ensure these children receive the same level of care as other Canadian children. Their case against Canada is a stark reminder of the disparities that persist in First Nations communities and the urgent need for justice to be served.

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