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## **Kicking off the summer season at Parc Jean-Drapeau: The best place to go to truly savour the joys of summer!**

**Montréal, May 24, 2024** — The Société du Parc Jean-Drapeau (SPJD) is pleased to announce the launching of its 2024 summer program, marking the start of an exciting season that includes an enhanced series of activities to celebrate its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary - presented by Loto-Québec - in grand style. With all that is happening over the next few months, the Parc is a top-ranked destination to fully experience the joys of summer!

### **The Roseraie: activities tailored to every interest**

As of May 25, the Roseraie rose garden invites you to discover the distinctive program it has lined up. Every Saturday and Sunday throughout the summer, families will be able to enjoy the activities specially designed for them: circus and percussion workshops and science-related activities. The Sunday schedule includes entertainment and well-being activities.

At the end of the day on Saturdays, the rose garden will be the scene of festive outdoor evenings with various themes, ranging from world music to board games and bingo karaoke nights. Meanwhile, the restaurant area has an appealing and enhanced menu offering to appease your hunger pangs and slake your thirst.

During the month of August, this area will take on a different look as every Thursday it plays host to movie nights under the stars. The movies will have an environmental theme and they will be shown in collaboration with the Biosphère. A selection of Québec films and documents will be featured.

Visitors are invited to make use of the Rose Garden's furnishings and charms anytime for picnics or to sign up for recreational activities such as petanque and ping-pong.

### **Discover the Parc in a different way**

A new feature this year, the Voyage des îles (Islands' Tour) offers an immersive experience that should not be missed. Starting on June 28, through an interactive web app, participants are invited to locate the information panels near the public art works, historic buildings and the Parc's symbolic sites and scan the QR codes to plunge into the fascinating stories that have marked the Parc's history over the years.

The Discovery Ride, which will be offered as of June 22, also allows visitors to travel around the Parc aboard an electric vehicle, at no cost. Visitors set off on this discovery of the islands' history through six points of interest, including the Paddock to fully grasp the history of the Grand Prix race, and the Olympic Basin to relive the memories of the great sports events the Parc has hosted over the years.



### **A most refreshing summer**

Starting on May 25, Parc Jean-Drapeau's Aquatic Complex will be welcoming swimmers with a pre-season schedule for doing laps and open-water swimming. The regular schedule will be in effect as of June 22. Offering a heated recreational pool, diving boards and water games that include floating inflatable structures, the outdoor Aquatic Complex at the Parc is one of the finest such facilities in Canada.

With its wide expanse of golden sand, Jean-Doré Beach is another dream spot at the Parc for lounging in the sun, taking a cool dip and having fun with your family or friends. The Beach will be open to the public starting on June 22, enabling people of all ages to enjoy the open-water swimming layout, the Aquazilla structure, inflatable volleyball court and the boat rentals.

### **Sustainable mobility**

The use of public transportation to get to the Parc is encouraged, as the Jean-Drapeau subway station and the river shuttle provide easily accessible means of travel from various parts of the city.

For full details about Parc Jean-Drapeau's activities, go to [parcjeandrapeau.com](http://parcjeandrapeau.com) or follow us on social media @parcjeandrapeau.

### **About the Société du parc Jean-Drapeau**

The Société du parc Jean-Drapeau has a mission to protect, build, promote and develop this great urban public park, which this year is marking its 150th anniversary. For the occasion, a festive and diversified program will be offered throughout the year, while many major rehabilitation and renovation projects will be conducted in conjunction with this transformation. Providing a one-of-a-kind experience to its visitors, along with a diversity of landscapes and facilities, this bold initiative will enable this incomparable place to achieve its full potential, making Parc Jean-Drapeau one of the most emblematic parks worldwide.

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