



Parc
Jean-Drapeau

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Launch of the 2019 summer program of activities
Parc Jean-Drapeau: Montréal's biggest playground!

Montréal, May 30, 2019 – Fittingly, the program of activities for the 2019 summer season at Parc Jean-Drapeau was announced today, right in the heart of the brand-new public place, Espace 67. Partners and promoters gathered here to inaugurate this freshly redeveloped sector and to find out about all the attractions awaiting visitors to the Parc this summer. It's a diverse and accessible program based around culture, sports and discovering nature, including many new features emanating from recent partnerships.

The Parc's summer event schedule gets underway with the **Grand Prix du Canada** on June 7-9, preceded by the traditional Open House Day on Thursday, June 6. This is a great opportunity to come and get a first-hand look at the new and recently inaugurated Formula One team garages.

Two weeks later, Espace 67 will be marking its inauguration with two major, free events. The **Grand spectacle de la Fête nationale du Québec à Montréal** is back on the Parc Jean-Drapeau site on June 23, 145 years after it first inhabited the islands. Then, on June 27, Espace 67 will play host to **L'OM Grandeur nature**, a concert by the Orchestre Métropolitain under the direction of maestro Yannick Nézet-Séguin.

Week-ends du monde, presented by Loto-Québec, is back again this year, on the weekends of July 6-7 and 13-14. For its 15th edition, this must-attend Montréal summer event is an invitation to discover dance, music and great food from many of Montréal's cultural communities.

The month of August at the Parc is synonymous with great musical events, with **OSHEAGA**, **Heavy Montréal** and **îleSoniq** all staging their shows for the first time in the new Espace 67. Meanwhile, with a summer program that already got underway on May 19, **Piknic Électronik** continues to elate electronic music fans.

August will also bring a brand new feature, the **Lolë White Tour** (August 17), which will bring together some 5,000 yoga enthusiasts for a special occasion. This event will be followed by the **Feux Follets en Fête!** (September 12 to October 31), a festival combining interactive and immersive experiences with giant Chinese lanterns and a series of shows.

From July 31 to August 24, La Ronde will be playing host to **l'International des Feux Loto-Québec**, the international fireworks competition that will transport Montrealers into six spectacular worlds, on Wednesday and Saturday evenings.

In an emblematic sports setting

Parc visitors will have the opportunity to participate in an array of sports activities during the summer months, including Open House Day at Circuit Gilles-Villeneuve on June 15. Cyclists, inline skaters, roller skiers and triathletes are invited to avail themselves of the track, which will be closed to vehicular traffic at this time. An agility clinic, various promotions and music will all be a part of the activities.

Whether it's for training or to spend some leisure time as a family, the **Aquatic Complex** (which opened on May 18) and **Jean-Doré Beach** (opens on June 19) will again be much in evidence this summer with a diverse program. Meanwhile, an **open-water swimming activity** is being organized on June 16 during an initiation to the sport with professionals.

Nature, fresh air and relaxation

Outdoor enthusiasts will be delighted to learn that the Parc has a wide range of activities to offer so that visitors can fully enjoy nature and attributes. Starting in mid-June, for example, guided tours aboard a brand-new **Tourist Ride** will be available, enabling visitors to discover the Parc and its history.

A constantly evolving experience

The Espace 67 development provided an opportunity for Parc Jean-Drapeau to have new reception services. Visitors will now have access to a magnificent information Pavilion at the Jean-Drapeau subway station exit; this will enable them to get all the information they need on the Parc's program of activities and services.

A program enhanced by the Parc's partners

The Parc's cultural offering is enhanced every year by the excellence of the exhibitions presented at the Biosphere, Environment Museum and the Stewart Museum. Thrill-seekers will get their fill on the rides at La Ronde, while people interested in a show or entertainment among friends will find the Casino de Montréal is an ideal spot for what they're seeking.

Throughout the summer, the Parc is proud to be able to rely on many partners: Loto-Québec, which presents Week-ends du monde, Tourisme Montréal, Molson Coors, Coca-Cola, Eska, as well as its many media partners.

About Parc Jean-Drapeau

Just steps from home, Parc Jean Drapeau offers a wide array of recreation-tourist attractions that make it a unique place in Canada. Easily accessible by subway, use of public transportation to get to the Parc is highly recommended to enhance your overall experience at the Parc.

To find out everything you need to know about the events and activities at Parc Jean-Drapeau, please go to parcjeandrapeau.com or follow us on social media @parcjeandrapeau.

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