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WORD OF THE PRESIDENT



Federal Elections

In the morning of October 20th, the people of Canada awoke to a new leading government, thereby ending 10 long years of austerity in culture.

Hopes are high for the new Prime Minister Justin Trudeau : doubling of annual funding to the Canada Council for the Arts; the restoration of funding for Radio-Canada and some cultural promotion programs, etc.

Be assured that the GMMQ, along with other artists associations, will be following this situation closely and making sure the commitments undertaken are fulfilled.

A rebirth for the Canadian Conference of the Arts (CCA)?

The [CCA](#) is a non-partisan organization dedicated to promoting the adoption of cultural policies needed for the vitality of the Canadian cultural sector through research, analysis, and public discussion. Unfortunately, the CCA had to close its doors in 2012 when the federal program financing its activities was cancelled. With this newly elected government, we now hope that this pan-canadian organization, where I am still Vice President, will be resuscitated. We will have to wait for the new federal budget before moving forward, but so far the overall tone is more optimistic.

Last but not least, I am pleased to announce that I have been [elected on the board of directors of Culture Montréal](#) at their Annual Assembly, held on October 29th. Very happy to be starting

this two-year mandate as a representative of professional artistic associations and groups, and to be working with an exceptional team.



**Luc Fortin,
President**

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS !

We are welcoming **Robin Wattie, Mathieu Ball, Louis-Alexandre Beauregard, Christian Giroux, Michael Murphy, Isabelle Banos, Michelle Bensimhon, Lana Cooney, Marlène Ngalissamy, Marie-Rose Lehoux, Benoît Joncas-Leblanc, Benoît Marquis, Yan Dal Santo, Solène Derbal, Laurianne Bellavance, Rita Tabbakh, Noelia Rivero Morell, Frédéric Thuot, Alice Munger, Philippe Savard, Roxanne Godmer and Viviane Trottier**, who joined the *Guilde des musiciens et musiciennes du Québec* in september and october 2015.

You are member and have a question? Please dial 1-800-363-6688 (#245)
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NEWS

**** IMPORTANT: BILL 34 - NEW STATEMENT FROM THE MUSICIAN'S PENSION FUND OF CANADA ****



Musicians' Pension Fund of Canada
Caisse de retraite des musiciens du Canada

On October 5th, the Musician's Pension Fund of Canada held an important webinar / videoconference to explain and discuss the details of Bill 34, which was adopted on April 2nd, 2015 and is effective as of December 31, 2014.

The Musician's Pension Fund asked us to send our members this new statement through our newsletter:

[Click here to access the new Musician's Pension Fund of Canada statement \(PDF\)](#)

Bill 34 amends the Supplement Pension Plans Act with respect to the funding and restructuring of certain multi-employer pension plans. These new provisions are now incorporated into Quebec's main pension legislation, the Supplemental Pension Plan Act.

(The whole video conference is available on the [Musician's Pension Fund website](#)).

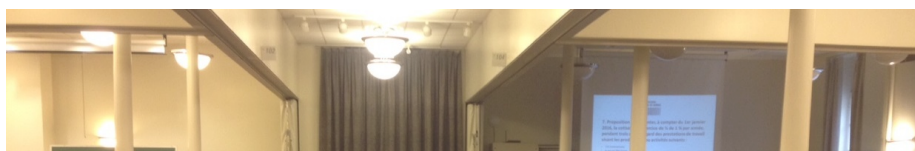
Inquiries on Bill 34 ?

Please contact directly the Musician's Pension Fund of Canada: 1-888-462-6666 *(toll free)*.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

On Tuesday October 20th, the GMMQ held its General Assembly at Montreal's Centre Saint-Pierre. A total of 51 people attended the meeting, including 7 representatives of the board of directors.

Among the issues being discussed, the negotiation status with ADISQ and the proposal to increase the service cost towards certain producers, which was rejected by the assembly.





The signed minutes will be available soon in the Members section of our website (in french): www.gmmq.com

MUSIC PROMOTION FUND : AND THE WINNERS ARE ...



The 2015-2016 grants were awarded to the projects of **Orchestre symphonique de la vallée du Haut-Saint-Laurent** (\$1000), **Jennifer Gasoi** (\$500) and **Choros** (\$500). Congratulations to the winners!

The objective of this fund is to support and encourage initiatives that contribute to the artistic development of Quebec musicians.

[More information on the winners & the GMMQ's Music Promotion Fund](#)

Winners have received their grants on October 20, during the General Assembly.



On the right: Mr. Daniel Constantineau of the Orchestre symphonique de la Vallée-du-Haut-Saint-Laurent (OSVHSL) with Mr. Luc Fortin, President of GMMQ's Board of Directors. **On the left:** Mr. David Perreault of Choros with Mr. Luc Fortin, President of GMMQ's Board of Directors.

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HONOURED MEMBERS

- **Yannick Nézet-Séguin** : named Artist of the Year 2016 by *Musical America* magazine, a bible for classic music. [For more details](#)
- **Charles Richard-Hamelin** : becomes the first canadian pianist to win a medal at the prestigious Frederic Chopin international piano contest based in Warsaw. Mr. Richard-Hamelin won the silver medal and was also awarded the Krystian Zimerman prize for best performance of a sonata. [For more details](#)
- **Oliver Jones** : a recording studio for pianists was inaugurated in his name on October 14th in Montreal's Mile End. [For more details \(french\)](#)

SOCAN GALA

The GMMQ wishes to congratulate all its members awarded at the 26th SOCAN Gala, which celebrates the success of the greatest songwriters, composers and music publishers that Quebec has to offer. [View the complete winners list](#)

FIRST ADISQ GALA

The first part of the ADISQ Galas was held on Wednesday october 27th. Many GMMQ members were awarded a Felix prize. Congratulations to the winners! [View the complete winners list](#)

2015 ADISQ GALA

On Sunday November 8th was held the 2015 ADISQ Gala. The GMMQ wishes to congratulate all the laureates! [View the winners list](#)

Montreal OFF JAZZ

Mr. Yves Charuest was awarded the François-Marcaurelle / GMMQ 2015 Prize for his "STILL" project .

MONEY OWED TO MUSICIANS



The GMMQ wants to reach out to musicians (or their estate) who they participated in the recording of some TV shows. They are owed money because of the rebroadcasting of those TV shows.

[For more information and to access the complete list of musicians](#)

*Thank you for sharing with your
musicians colleagues !*

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EVENTS

THE GMMQ WAS THERE : Health Conference & 10th meeting of FIM European group

Mylène Cyr, GMMQ Executive Director, was recently in Berlin to attend conferences on musicians' health and the 10th meeting of the European International Federation of Musicians (FIM), held from September 30th to October 2nd.

Mrs. Cyr also made the most of her time there by offering a presentation of [LaGamme.mu](#) to the organization representatives and FIM members attending. This presentation was held as part of conferences related to self-employed musicians' access to rights recognised to workers.

These conferences will soon be available online in the *Members* access of our website.



[For more information on these conferences](#)

LA GAMME.MU

With the holiday season coming soon,

don't forget to spread the word !

lagamme.mu

Launched in april, lagamme.mu is a solidarity cooperative of professional Québec musicians that enables individuals, companies or organizations to hire professional musicians for their event at a fair price, while ensuring that they are hired under decent conditions.

Visit lagamme.mu right now to choose from the wide selection available !

REMINDER : NEW TIME DELAY FOR P2 PROCESSING



United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is experiencing a significant processing backlog which is also causing Canadian Federation of musicians (CFM) office a backlog.

Processing times: 75 DAYS

If you are sending in a P2 package to the CFM office, **please send them AT LEAST 75 DAYS** before your first show.

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GRANTS AND CALLS FOR PROJECTS

CALLS FOR PROJECTS

Performing Arts

[Montréal, art interculturels \(MAI\)](#)

Deadline : November 30th 2015

Performance and interdisciplinary art

[Biennale d'art performatif de Rouyn-Noranda](#)

Deadline : December 13th 2015

Les insomniaques ont soif (Nuit blanche 2016)

[Théâtre de l'Odyssée](#)

Deadline : January 8th 2016

Diversité Artistique Montréal (DAM)

[Artistic Mentorship Program : Call for mentors](#)

Deadline : Anytime

GRANTS

Travel Grants

[Canada Council for the Arts](#)

Deadline : November 15th 2015

General Financial Assistance Program

[Conseil des arts de Montréal](#)

Deadline : December 15th 2015 (for festivals and events)

Bourse de résidence: artistes de l'audio

[PRIM / CODE D'ACCÈS](#)

Deadline : November 30th 2015

Music Touring Grants

[Canada Council for the Arts](#)

Deadline : December 1st 2015

AUDITIONS, JOBS OFFERS AND COMPETITIONS

AUDITION & JOB OFFERS

Orchestre symphonique de Laval : trombone basse, trombone solo

Deadline : November 18th 2015

Date of audition : November 26th 2015

Orchestre symphonique de Laval : 2 postes Cor de section

Deadline : November 18th 2015

Date of audition : November 28th 2015

École de musique Suzie Auclair : piano teacher

Deadline : urgent

Commission scolaire de Saint-Hyacinthe : music teachers

Deadline : none

COMPETITIONS / CONTESTS

[Concours de musique national Falckhardt Grenett](#)

[Concours de musique national Eckhardt-Gramatte](#)

Deadline : November 15th, 2015

[Concours musical international de Montréal \(CMIM\) - Violon 2016](#)

Deadline : January 15th, 2016

[Concours de musique XY MuZiK](#)

Deadline : September 10, 2016

Notices of audition and job offers are available on our website (members access) www.gmmq.com, in the "auditions and job offers" section.

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TRAININGS

The Montreal Artists' Legal Clinic (CJAM)[Musicians' Legal Bootcamp](#)

November 14th 2015

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