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## WORD OF THE PRESIDENT



Last Sunday February 7th was held the Gala des Prix Opus, an initiative of the <u>Conseil québécois de la musique</u> to celebrate the excellence and diversity of concert music in Quebec. The <u>winners were announced</u> in front of a large audience at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts' Bourgie Hall.

In a period of budget restrictions - not to say austerity - imposed by the current government, many artists and managers of the music world called out to the Minister of Culture and Communications, Mrs. Hélène David,

who attended the gala.

It is clear that the concert music world has suffered enough in recent years et should not undergo more cuts in its financing. When we talk about concert music, we refer essentially to a musical repertoire such as medieval, Renaissance, baroque, classic, romantic, modern, contemporary, electroacoustic, jazz and world music.

By supporting the artists working in those fields, we give the public access to a wide musical range, therefore enabling the discovery of new musical universes in time and space.

We are counting on the current government and its minister of Culture to reinvest in our cultural diversity, our creators and our organisations. So that our artists can live off their art and so that all quebecers may benefit of a cultural offer both varied and accessible, in all regions of Quebec.

At last, let me offer, on behalf of the entire GMMQ team, my sincere congratulations to all of our members who won an Opus prize!

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Luc Fortin, President

# WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS !

We are welcoming Dylan Wright, Chad Linsley, Alexandra Juneau, Louis-Philippe Bonin, Haram Ahmad, Frédérique Beaulieu, Jean-Claude St-Pierre, Jean-Luc Therrien, Wendy Farha, Olivier Lizotte, Jérémie Edmond, Vincent Gendron, Alexandre Beauregard, Katia Di Perna, Maude Locat, Jeanette Dowling, Dany Lajeunesse, Averil Parker, Yannick St-Amand, Nicolas Compère, Dany Avridor, Marlon Bernard Roc, Édouard Hussen, Billy Desravines, Raynaldo Fils-Aima, Joel Berthot, Dylan Kell-Kirkman, Bernard Guilhem, Olivier Thériault, Vincent Tremblay, Marc-André-Caya, Karine Gordon, Bredy Makenley, Martine Labbé, Carmelle Brodeur-Gauvin, Étienne Bayard, Samuel Dufour, Jean-Sébastien Gagnon, Xavier Berthiaume, Yan Thiel, Guillaume Chiasson, Laurie Bugnon Normandin, Annie Sama, Blaise Borboën-Léonard, Clara Legault, Maya Malkin, Emily Skahan and Dane Stewart, who joined the GMMQ in January 2016.

We are very pleased to count you among our members !

You are member and have a question? Please dial 1-800-363-6688 (#245) or CLICK HERE !

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## **NEWS**





# 4th International Orchestra Conference: See you in Montreal in 2017!

We are delighted to announce that the 4th edition of the International Orchestra Conference, organized by the International Federation of Musicians (FIM IOC), will be held in Montréal from May 11th to 14th 2017 !

This 3-day long conference is held every 3 years. The last editions were Berlin in 2008, Amsterdam in 2011 and Oslo in 2014.

Initiated by the GMMQ, this major project has raised the support of both political, cultural and musical organisations.

Book these dates on your calendar and stay tuned for more information!

# \*REMINDER: ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES\*

Supporting your professional association is just as important as participating in its activities. Paying your contribution guarantees you all the <u>privileges and benefits of a member</u>.

You have **until March 30th** 2016 to send us your payment to restore your status as member in good standing. After this date, members who still haven't paid their annual contribution will lose their privileges, and a late fee will be applicable on subsequent payments. **Remember : this contribution is tax deductible!** 

Renew your membership NOW by contacting our members service : 514-842-2866 or 1 800-363-6688 (toll fee)

> If you no longer wish to be a GMMQ member, please contact us to resign. This will limit fees in case of future readmission.

# "Win your membership fees" contest: and the winners are...

Thursday January 14th was held the draw for the "Win your GMMQ membership fees" contest.

And the winners are...



GAGNAN DU CONCOURS

- Mr. Raoul Sosa (Montreal)
- Mrs. Julia Harguindey (Montreal)
- Mrs. Liette Remon (Quebec region)

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 3 WINNERS!**

NB. The draw was held at the GMMQ offices. All GMMQ members who paid their 2016 membership fees before December 17th, 2015 were eligible for the draw. The winners have been contacted by our members service.

# **MUSICIANS' PENSION FUND - IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Please note that the <u>Musicians' Pension Fund</u> must receive your 2015 contributions before March 1st 2016.

To allow us to meet this deadline, please send us your 2015 service contracts before February 15th 2016.



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

## **VISAS P2 VISA PROCESSING NOW UP TO 90-100 DAYS**



The processing of P2 visa applications by American immigration services and the Canadian Federation of Musicians (CFM) is lagging behind significantly, with a **delay now reaching** <u>90 to 100</u> <u>days</u>.

Please ensure to send your visa **AT LEAST 100 DAYS** before the date of your first concert.

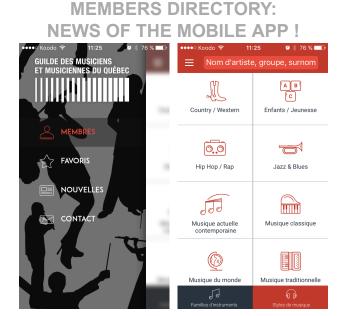
# **GET A GMMQ PRESENTATION IN YOUR SCHOOL !**

### Did you know that the GMMQ offers presentations in music schools across the province?



Lasting 60 to 90 minutes, these presentations help future professional musicians understand the GMMQ's role as well as its many services and benefits for its 3,300 members.

Whether it takes place during a specific class or for an information session, we will be happy to come meet you! <u>Make a request here</u>



Announced a few months ago and revealed at the last General Assembly in December, our new mobile app is currently in test phase.

We will let you know as soon as it's ready. Stay tuned!

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#### **DEATH NOTICE - MARCEL DESROCHES ET LEROY MASON**

We learned with great sadness the deaths of our members Marcel Desroches and Leroy Mason.

#### **Marcel Desroches**

M. Desroches was an organist, pianist et tubist, as well as a GMMQ member since 1952. He died on January 14th. <u>View the full obituary</u>

#### Leroy Mason

A GMMQ member since 1983, Mr. Mason was one of our "gold" Life Members. He played many instruments: drums, transverse flute, electric organ and saxophone. He died on January 11th. <u>View</u> <u>the full obituary</u>

We would like to offer our sincere condolences to the families, friends and colleagues of Messrs. Desroches and Mason.

# **EVENTS**

## JEAN-CARIGNAN FUND : 4 COUPS DE CHAPEAU CONFIRMED!

The *Coup de chapeau* operation comes back stronger than ever this spring, with 4 orchestras confirmed, in Montreal and Quebec!

Since 2013, the Jean-Carignan Fund has collaborated with the *Fondation des artistes* for this fundraising activity for struggling artists that takes place every year in March/April.

#### Here are the dates of the 2016 Coup de Chapeau :

- Orchestre Symphonique de Montréal (OSM)
  <u>THE PLANETS BY GUSTAV HOLST</u>
  April 13th 8pm, Maison symphonique de Montréal
- Orchestre Symphonique de Québec (OSQ)
  FABIEN DIRIGE STRAUSS
  April 20th 8pm, Grand Théâtre de Québec
- Orchestre Métropolitain (OM)



# THE SYMPHONIE FANTASTIQUE

April 22nd 7:30pm, Maison symphonique de Montréal

Violons du Roy
 ISABELLE FAUST ET LES CONCERTOS DE BACH
 May 5th 8pm, Palais Montcalm de Québec

#### Volunteers Wanted !

You wish to get involved and help make *Coup de Chapeau* a succes? <u>Contact us now</u> to be part of our amazing volunteer team !

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## **MEMBERS DISCOUNTS**

We invite you to discover some new discounts available to GMMQ members (upon presentation of your membership card) offered by our partners.

For more details about member discounts available and to get promotional codes, please login your member access on <u>www.gmmq.com</u>.

#### **INSURANCES : Centre d'assurance Meilleur**

- Civil liability insurance policy raised to \$2 millions for ALL our members!
- Insurance premium available on 1 or 3 payments (consecutive and equal monthly payments)

#### Take advantage of substantial savings on your liability and instruments insurance!

Your suggestions are welcomed! For what products or services would you like to receive discounts?

# **GRANTS AND CALL FOR PROJECTS**

## CALLS FOR PROJECTS

**ZONE HOMA - 8th edition** 

Zone Homa Deadline : February 19 2016

Programmation de l'Espace La Risée LES PRODUCTIONS DRÔLE DE MONDE Deadline : May 6 2016

**Diversité Artistique Montréal (DAM)** <u>Mentorat artistique professionnel : appel à mentors</u> Deadline : anytime

# **GRANTS**

Programme de soutien financier aux initiatives culturelles Ville de Montréal / Arrondissement de Ville-Marie Deadline : February 19 2016

**Prix de la Fondation Sylva Gelber** Fondation de musique Sylva-Gelber Deadline : February 19 2016

**Bourse KALÉIDOSCOPE** <u>Productions musicales Kaléidoscope</u> Deadline : February 28 2016

Musique des peuples autochtones Conseil des Arts du Canada Deadline : March 1st 2016

Développement des organismes à l'extérieur du Québec Conseil des arts et des lettres du Québec Deadline : March 1st 2016

Subventions aux musiciens professionnels à titre individuel Conseil des Arts du Canada Deadline : March 1st 2016

Subventions aux artistes des nouveaux médias et de l'audio Conseil des Arts du Canada

Deadline : March 1st 2016

Développement professionnel

LOJIQ - Les Offices jeunesse internationaux du Québec Deadline : March 22 2016

## **AUDITIONS, JOB OFFERS & CONTESTS**

## **COMPETITIONS // CONTESTS**

<u>Le Tremplin de Dégelis</u> Deadline : February 19 2016

MusiQualité Deadline : February 21 2016

<u>Plein Volume de L'Ampli de Québec</u> Deadline : February 25 2016

Festival en chanson de Petite-Vallée (volet compositeurs) Deadline : March 13 2016

<u>Unsigned Only</u> Deadline : March 16 2016

<u>Festival International de la chanson de Granby</u> Deadline : April 1st 2016

<u>Chante en français</u> Deadline : April 18 2016

<u>Concours de musique XY MuZiK</u> Deadline : September 10 2016

### **AUDITIONS, RESIDENCIES & JOB OFFERS**

**Commission scolaire de Saint-Hyacinthe** : music teachers Deadline: anytime

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

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Don't hesitate to contact us !

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