

# MAISON SAINT-GABRIEL

Musée et site historique  
Museum and Historic Site

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## **THE HISTORICAL OUTING OF THE SUMMER AT MAISON SAINT-GABRIEL**

**Montreal, June 21, 2019** –From June 22, visitors can enjoy activities on summer Saturdays and Sundays at Maison Saint-Gabriel. Each year, the museum offers open-air activities for the whole family.

Artisans, actors, storytellers, musicians, presenters and history lovers welcome visitors to the historic site of the house that welcomed the King's Wards.

### **DEMONSTRATIONS OF OLD-FASHIONED CRAFTS**

Young and young at heart attend with interest the narrated demonstrations of the artisans of old-fashioned crafts. Equally skilled with their words as they are with their hands, these memory-tellers enthusiastically share the secrets of their crafts.

### **GARDEN EXPERIENCE**

The guided tour of our gardens that have been restored in the spirit of the 17<sup>th</sup> century presents history in aromatic and colourful fashion. Throughout the summer, children from 6 to 12 years and their families can try out a life-size game of associations on the site's arboreal circuit.

Visitors can enjoy the audio guide of the Native Garden, created in tribute to First Nations women, by downloading the museum's mobile app.

### **HISTORICAL WORKSHOPS (multiple dates)**

Our talented performers will captivate you during our workshops on the life of the settlers during the French regime. Visit the apothecary, the wood runner, the military surgeon, the Provost Marshal and the executioner who share many historical anecdotes that are both educational and entertaining.

### **MUSICAL CONVERSATIONS (Sundays)**

Montreal's history is presented through the magic of music featuring the musicians of the Ensemble Claude-Gervaise.

### **OPEN-AIR THEATRE (Sundays)**

The Catherine-Crolo Theater's performers offer short, light-hearted, history-based sketches. During the 45-minute performance, spectators listen in to the confidences of the newly arrived King's Wards and follow the dilemmas of their suitors, the wood runner and the innkeeper, chaperoned by Sister Catherine Crolo, the farmhouse's first manager.

Visitors are advised to check the online schedule of activities on the day of their visit. Come discover the many thematic days: Woolly Sundays, Playing in New France, the Harvest Festival...

### **NEW EXHIBITION, HOME COOKING MADE SMART**

2019 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first edition of *La cuisine raisonnée*. The exhibition retraces this iconic book's history, long considered the bible of Quebec cuisine.

***Maison Saint-Gabriel, Museum and Historic Site is one of the best examples of Quebec traditional architecture. Its site bears witness to the rural life of the first settlers and the great adventure of the King's Wards. It offers a year-round guided tour, summer programming for the whole family and a garden experience that recreates the spirit of New France***

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