



May, Mount Royal month:
Explore the mountain!

Description

Springtime festivities begin with the Mount Royal Clean-Up!

Contributed by **Les amis de la montagne**

Les amis de la montagne is pleased to announce its **May: Mount Royal Month** programming featuring a variety of discovery walks, exhibitions and other activities under the theme ***Explore the Mountain***. Celebrations kick off with the **27th edition of the Mount Royal Clean-Up on Sunday, May 6.**

Nearly 600 citizens are expected to attend Montréal's largest clean-up operation on May 6 to help collect garbage and recyclables from Mount Royal Park's wooded areas and to monitor the growth and success of previously planted trees. This year, participants will pay close attention to the ash trees on Mount Royal and observe the health status of larger specimens.



After contributing to the maintenance and beautification of the mountain, participants will enjoy a healthy lunch as well as the chance to learn more about biodiversity and the fight against the emerald ash borer by visiting kiosks in the Mount Royal Chalet.

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"I am thrilled to take part in the Mount Royal Clean-Up, which is a very important community action for our mountain. I have often said that I want Montrealers to reclaim their mountain and the annual Clean-Up is the perfect opportunity to take care of the natural jewel that is Mount Royal."

Valérie Plante, Mayor of Montréal

May: Mount Royal Month

Explore the mountain in a thousand different ways!

Les amis de la montagne invites all Montréal citizens to rediscover this exceptional green space at the heart of the city by participating in enriching activities throughout the season.

"May: Mount Royal Month has become an annual event for so many Montrealers! What better way to celebrate spring than to take part in the beautification of the mountain during the Annual Clean-Up, to enjoy its woodlands, to explore its rich history and to play an active role in protecting this magnificent green space in the midst of our city."

Sylvie Guilbault, Executive Director of Les amis de la montagne



Activities not to be missed!

Thursday, May 17

Public forum dedicated to accessibility and mobility issues

The **pilot project** announced by the City of Montréal to **stop transit traffic on the Remembrance/Camillien-Houde axis** will begin **June 2, 2018**. As part of its annual series of public forums, Les amis invites all interested parties to come and discuss the **issues and challenges related to Mount Royal accessibility**. **Daniel Chartier**, landscape architect specializing in the Mount Royal territory, will discuss how these challenges can be addressed in a global vision of accessibility and mobility for the mountain. This forum aims to deepen the reflection on the subject as a complement to the public consultation held by the Office de consultation publique de Montréal.

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Sundays, May 13, 20 and 27

Hop on the 11!

Public transit users taking the 11 bus to access the mountain will be greeted by Les amis de la montagne animators who will describe **interesting sights and trails to explore along the Camillien-Houde/Remembrance route**.



May 12 and 21
Discover the mountain on foot

Les amis offers **guided walking tours** to admire the city and mountain from high atop **Mount Royal** and the **Observatoire Place Ville Marie** and learn about the territory's history, ecology and urban planning, while **exploring the mountain's three summits**.





Sunday, May 27 On the Scottish trail

Come see the **Black Watch Pipes & Drums Marching Band** perform on Mount Royal and discover our new self-guided tour highlighting the Scottish community's contribution to the city and the mountain.

For the complete May programming, please visit lemontroyal.qc.ca/may

Essential support

Developed by Les amis de la montagne, May: Mount Royal Month is organized in partnership with the City of Montréal. Les amis de la montagne wishes to thank the **TD Friends of the Environment Foundation** for its long-standing support of Mount Royal Month.

"The partnership between the TD Friends of the Environment Foundation and Les amis de la montagne is a natural fit; the environmental actions and fun family activities they organize help to improve the quality of our environment and allow the community to flourish. It's thanks to the whole team of Les amis de la montagne and their many volunteers that we can fully enjoy Mount Royal and this is why we are very proud to support them year after year."

Annick Laberge, Associate Vice-President, TD Bank Group

Les amis de la montagne also wishes to thank the **STM** for its generous support.

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About les amis de la montagne

Les amis de la montagne is a registered non-profit organization dedicated to the protection and improvement of Mount Royal through community involvement and environmental education. As part of an agreement with the City of Montréal, Les amis de la montagne provides visitor welcome services, outdoor equipment rentals and food services as well as a full range of cultural, educational and recreational programs in Mount Royal Park. Generated revenues are reinvested in activities offered in the park, which aim to promote a greater appreciation of the mountain and the conservation of its natural habitats.

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