



## MURA SUMMER 2016 NEWS BULLETIN

### MURA ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

#### **MURA Annual General Meeting**

MURA/ARUM's first official year of existence was marked by our AGM held on June 1<sup>st</sup> and attended by 66 people. After the formal proceedings a less formal celebration was held. The minutes of the formal meeting will be posted on the web site. The Executive Committee reported on their activities, minor changes were made to some of the bylaws, the retiring members of the Board were thanked, and new members were introduced.

Those leaving the Board are Jane Amro, Eleanor McLean, Michel Ferland, and Joan Wolforth.

The new Board will be:

President: Ginette Lamontagne

Vice-President Internal: Kate Maguire

Vice-President External: Henry Leighton

Treasurer: Robert Stanley

Members:

Nick Acheson, Steven Blagrove

Myron Frankman, Maria Keenan

Kathy Mayhew, Allan Oliver

### NON-MURA ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST

#### **Montreal Storytellers Guild**

The Montreal Storytellers' Guild continues to provide gifts of stories at the Westmount Public Library (4574 Sherbrooke St. West). See what people did before television and radio. We meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month from September to June. It's free and open to all adults and children over 10 years. For more information call Paula at 514-593-9947 or visit :

<http://mtlstorytellers.wordpress.com/>. Last meeting for this session is June 9<sup>th</sup> but they will begin again in the Fall. Several MURA members are involved.

#### **Château Ramezay Historic Site and Museum**

Are you interested in a volunteer experience that will offer you the opportunity to share your interest in history? Would you like to be a part of a group of motivated and enthusiastic people? Then volunteering at the Château Ramezay Historic Site and Museum is for

Judy Pharo, Bev Tallant  
Many thanks to all the above for agreeing to contribute to MURA's growth and development.

### **Membership Fees 2016-17**

At the meeting the Treasurer announced that an agreement for ongoing funding has been reached with MUNASA and SEU Local 800 whereby current non retired members will contribute funding to enable these groups to pay MURA an annual lump sum to cover the cost of membership in MURA for all their former and future retirees. MAUT has also granted MURA a lump sum payment to cover the membership fees of all former MAUT retirees, provided they pay the MAUT-RS annual fee. This means that, as of the new membership year starting in September, those who were former members of MUNASA or SEU Local 800, and MAUT-RS members will not have to pay MURA membership for the 2016-17 year. MURA is in the process of trying to finalize similar agreements with MUNACA and other SEU locals. We will keep you posted. For those not covered by the above associations, the annual membership fee will remain at \$25.00.

### **Book Club**

The MURA book Club is active and meeting on the first Monday afternoon of each month. This year we are reading Canadian authors. For more information contact MURA at [mura-arum.association@mcgill.ca](mailto:mura-arum.association@mcgill.ca)

you. Come to an Open House in the fall to find out more about participating in living history programs for children, weekend guiding and/or group tours for students and tourists. A 10 session training program is provided.

WHEN: Monday, September 26 between 10:00 am. and 2:00 pm.

WHERE: Chateau Ramezay - 280 Notre-Dame East, Old Montreal (across from City Hall)

For more information before the Open House, please contact Louise Brazeau, Education and Promotion Coordinator

Email: [rh@chateauramezay.qc.ca](mailto:rh@chateauramezay.qc.ca)

Phone: 514 861-3708 ext. 229

or contact MURA member Joan Barrett -

[joan.barrett@mcgill.ca](mailto:joan.barrett@mcgill.ca)

<http://www.chateauramezay.qc.ca/en/>

### **McGill Community for Life Long Learning**

MCLL is a peer learning community. MCLL's web site states: "MCLL is primarily for people of retirement age who want to continue learning for the joy of it, and share their knowledge, ideas and experience with others.

Whatever your interests or educational background, at MCLL if you are intellectually curious you will enjoy expanding your knowledge with others in a friendly and stimulating environment. You will also make new friends and have the satisfaction of being a student again."

MCLL is based at

688 Sherbrooke West, Room 229.

Their 2<sup>nd</sup> Summer session runs July 6<sup>th</sup> to August 26<sup>th</sup>, with registration beginning on-

## Cycling Day Trips

The summer is upon us and we are in the process of organizing bi-weekly day trips for cycling enthusiasts visiting some of the many excellent cycle paths around Montreal. Participants will need access to their own bikes and a way to transport it to the path location. Suggestions for venues are the Parc des Iles de Boucherville, the Soulanges Canal, The Beauharnois Canal, the Petit Train du Nord and the many paths in the Eastern Townships. These paths are all off road dedicated paths, easy cycling (not Tour de France style) and within an easy drive of Montreal (as long as the various bridges are functional).

If you are interested contact MURA at [mura-arum.association@mcgill.ca](mailto:mura-arum.association@mcgill.ca) or Joan Barrett at [joan.barrett@mcgill.ca](mailto:joan.barrett@mcgill.ca)

## Tennis

This summer would you like to play tennis with other MURA members? If there is enough interest we will try to organize weekly tennis matches at a public court. Contact MURA and let us know whether you consider yourself to be a beginner, intermediate or expert.

## McGill Athletics and Recreation

We are pleased to remind you that MURA has negotiated a reduced price for members who wish to use the McGill Sports Complex. Present yourself at the Registration Desk and identify yourself as a MURA member. They

line on June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Fall sessions run Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> to November 24<sup>th</sup>, with on-line registration beginning August 8<sup>th</sup>. Fees for one or two courses in the Fall are \$105.

For more information visit them at:

<https://www.mcgill.ca/continuingstudies/programs-and-courses/mcill/about-mcill>

<https://www.facebook.com/mcill.joy>

## McGill Book Fair

**The Book Fair web site states:**

"The McGill Book Fair, held each autumn in Redpath Hall, offers buyers tens of thousands of used books, French and English, in categories ranging from architecture to zoology. In addition to volumes old and new, the Book Fair also offers vinyl, CDs, DVDs, and sheet music. One room is devoted exclusively to art and architecture; another to old and rare volumes and nostalgia."

To donate books or to volunteer to help, visit their web site at

[www.mcgill.ca/bookfair](http://www.mcgill.ca/bookfair)

or contact :

Anne Williams 514-487-7638

Susan Woodruff 450-671-9897

**Book Fair 2016:**

October 18: 1:00 pm to 9:00 pm October

19: 10:00 am to 8:00 pm

October 20: 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

**Location:** Redpath Hall

will check the MURA membership list to verify your eligibility.

Access to all facilities (except Fitness Centre): \$23 /month

Access to all facilities (including Fitness Centre): \$33/month

Walk in registration through Client Services, Sports Centre, Room G-20C, Monday to Friday, 8h30-20h00. For further inquiries, please call (514) 398-7000 (ext. 0273#) or consult on line: [www.mcgillathletics.ca](http://www.mcgillathletics.ca)

### **NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS**

We hope to produce a newsletter several times a year. If you have announcements of interest to MURA members that you would like included in the next Fall Newsletter please e-mail them to:

[joan.wolforth@mcgill.ca](mailto:joan.wolforth@mcgill.ca)

or to [mura-arum.association@mcgill.ca](mailto:mura-arum.association@mcgill.ca)

### **A Musical Learning Opportunity New Horizons Band**

The Montreal New Horizons Band is a bilingual and intergenerational wind and percussion ensemble that offers the opportunity to learn (or relearn) how to play a musical instrument in a friendly and dynamic environment. No prior musical experience is required.

For more information about the band:

<http://www.nhmontreal.com>

[nhmontreal@gmail.com](mailto:nhmontreal@gmail.com)

### **McGill Telus Agreement**

Procurement Services is pleased to announce that Telus is offering McGill staff a cell phone plan for **personal use**. This plan offers savings up to 30% off their "A la Carte" rate plans. As a new Telus customer, you may be eligible to a savings up to \$300.00 off the cost of a mobile device when activating a new line! You can use this discounted rate plan for up to 5 lines. For full details on this plan and how to proceed, please visit the following dedicated McGill webpage:

[www.mobile-mcgill.com](http://www.mobile-mcgill.com)

You will need your McGill ID number to register for this plan.