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IMPORTANT MILESTONE: Île Perrot Celebrates 350 Years of History Public Invited to Participate in Tours, Cultural Performances and Exhibits

January 26, 2022 –2022 marks the 350th anniversary of the Seigneurie of île Perrot and to celebrate the rich history of the area, the public is invited to a program of events to be held from April to October 2022. The diverse list of activities offers something for everyone, from family-friendly tours and historical re-enactments to aboriginal presentations and a romantic evening of dancing under the stars.

The programming schedule will be unveiled over the next few weeks, with future details of individual events to be confirmed. Other activities and events will be added over the coming months. A Facebook page featuring interesting historical facts about île Perrot has been launched so the public can learn more about the fascinating history of the surrounding area and keep up to date on the program schedule: <https://www.facebook.com/350ileperrot>.

The program will include:

- A historical re-enactment of the arrival of the statue of Notre-Dame de la Garde at the Sainte-Jeanne-de-Chantal heritage site.
- Conference: "Île Perrot, its history and its small schools".
- "Where is Perrot?" A game challenging the public to locate the 100 original ceramic Perrot statuettes hidden in the parks on the island.
- Inauguration of the "350th Garden" on the site of the Sainte-Jeanne-de-Chantal church.
- Evenings of dancing under the stars.
- Guided bus tours of historical sites around île Perrot by bus.
- - Book launch by the island's historian, Lise Chartier: *Île Perrot, rural and urban: 350 years*.
- *A miller at the mill*: eight Sundays of historical re-enactment with the mill in action.
- A outdoor gala in Terrasse-Vaudreuil called « *La Grande Tablée* ».
- Aboriginal Presentations: A Celebration of the island's indigenous roots and archaeological research.
- Inauguration of the "Fruit Garden" of Terrasse-Vaudreuil.
- Faces and places of île Perrot: three exhibits in the libraries of Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot, Île-Perrot and Pincourt.
- Two performances of intercultural poetry and music.
- A tour of the island by kayak.
- Presentations of the theatrical creation of the 350th: "*Le reel de l'abondance*".

Because of uncertainty caused by COVID, the 350th anniversary committee of île Perrot has planned a series of activities that will take place mostly outdoors.



These activities have been created in collaboration with many organizations, including the Société de développement du Parc historique de la Pointe-du-Moulin, la Fondation du patrimoine Sainte-Jeanne-de-Chantal, la Grande Tablée, the photographers from Groupe Passion Photo, le Musée régional de Vaudreuil-Soulanges, la Société d'histoire et de généalogie de l'île Perrot, le Théâtre de l'île Perrot, la Fabrique Sainte-Jeanne-de-Chantal.

To organize the activities for the 350th anniversary of île Perrot, the committee was granted financial support from the four towns on the island: L'Île-Perrot, Pincourt, Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot and Terrasse-Vaudreuil. Desjardins Vaudreuil-Soulanges, Développement Vaudreuil-Soulanges and from the MNA for Vaudreuil, Marie-Claude Nichols. Many sponsors have also given money towards the festival, namely:

- PJC Jean Coutu de L'Île-Perrot
- IGA Extra Marché Tellier
- Harden
- Polymos
- EMI Denis Bourbonnais et Fils
- Groupe Passion Photo
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Lise Chartier, President of the 350th anniversary committee of île Perrot receiving a cheque of \$7,500 given by Jacques Alexandre Amiel, owner pharmacist of PJC Jean Coutu. Photo, courtesy of *L'art de Capter*.

Don't miss out on ÎLE Perrot's 350th anniversary celebrations.

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