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## National Rally Day Quebec's Rallye Décou-Verte Saturday May 15, 2010

100 years of history is a milestone to be proud of! This event marking the centennial will be especially celebrated on Rally Day, all the same day, in cities and towns all across Canada.

Quebec Rally Day has been etched in our calendars for over a year now! It's time to plan YOUR customized Rallye Décou-Verte Day events. Please see the end of this document for some FAQ's that you may find helpful.

Below you will find a selection menu of activities offered to make your rally day an exciting adventure. The day is yours to build and a dozen activities have been detailed in kits that will be assembled for each Discovery Mission team, based on your choices below. Please select the Missions from the day's menu that meet the goals and interests of your Team.

Start time for this event, at Villa Maria School, will depend on your Team's preferences. Leaders of younger girls may prefer to start the day somewhat later and select fewer Missions to take it easy. Others may start early, have a picnic and play at the Villa until our gathering time. Keen older girl Units may want to pack the day to the max and run all around town until our gathering time back at the Villa. Girls and Guiders should choose the activities of the day together. Everyone can Google for more information on their chosen sites and activities. As you plan, recognize that you should be heading back to the Villa by 2:30 pm at the latest, for events that will begin promptly at 3 pm.

We will have access to the Villa site from 1 pm onward. Outdoor games and activities are planned, and displays and crafts will be set up inside. The common presentation will commence in the Thérèse-Casgrain Hall of the Villa at 3 pm and we anticipate a 4:30 pm closing.

After all the selections have been compiled, every team will receive a Mission Itinerary based on their selections. Route suggestions will optimize your travel, and step-by-step instructions on Mission sheets will make getting around easy - the girls will figure things out fine with your help and support! Complete Rally kits (itinerary, Mission Sheets, girl activity sheets, STM tickets and access bracelets, and lots of surprises!) will be delivered during the first week of May, to give you time to review the materials and prepare your Team.

On the Rally Day, you may choose to change, extend or skip items on your route as you go, and are free to do so, EXCEPT for the McCord Museum, the Redpath Museum and the Canadian Center for Architecture (CCA) times. THESE TIMESLOTS ARE FIXED, and must be respected to avoid bottlenecks and traffic troubles. You will NOT be admitted to these venues at other times. Note that the CCA visits have a very limited capacity and are being offered to Guide Unit teams ONLY, on a first come first served basis. One CCA session will be offered in French if numbers warrant.

Please respect the registration deadlines. Mission selections and final numbers accompanied by payment (to - GGC Quebec Council) should be **posted by April 8**.

**NO NEW TEAMS** will be made up from information received after this deadline. Additional participants on existing teams will only be accommodated, where possible, until April 30.



1910-1952



1940-1961



1940-1961



1961-1972



1973-1982



1983-current



# Discovery Mission Menu

- 1- **McCord Museum** - downtown event hub, Girl Guide display, GGC time capsule, limited exhibition access. Every participant is invited to bring something for the GGC time capsule at the McCord - written notes, photos or small or flat items for the time capsule archive. Share something from your personal history of being a Girl Guide in 2010.
  
- 2- **Redpath Museum of Natural History** - From Dinosaur bones to extinct animal specimens, shells and fossils - A Night at the Museum - in the daytime! Exploration and scavenger hunts.
  - 2 a) Pre-and early reader level
  - 2 B) Reader level
  
- 3E or 3F- **Canadian Center for Architecture** - GUIDE Unit teams only
  - limited capacity - first registered, first placed
  - choose English or French session

Our private tour: Other Space Odysseys: the CCA's new exhibition presenting three projects dealing with the idea of an adventurous journey that started 40 years ago, after the mission to the moon in 1969: a highway to connect the earth and the moon
  
- 4- **Explore the exotic Orient - Montreal's Chinatown**
  - 4 a) Younger girls - an "eye" Spy type walk
  - 4 b) Older girls - a cultural exploration
  
- 5- **Deep into the Underworld** - travel the labyrinth of Montreal's Underground City Sightseeing, challenges, shopping, and following a trail!
  
- 6- **The Eaton Center** - home of North America's largest food court
  - 6 a) Check out how Green is a Green Mall?
  - 6 b) Shop-Op
  
- 7- **A Century of Stars** - visit the Canadiens Centennial Plaza - to mark their centennial in 2009, the Montreal Canadiens gave themselves the perfect gift, a veritable outdoor museum honouring their rich history.
  
- 8- **Architecture Tour** - grab your pencils or cameras and look up!  
Capture the architectural beauty of old St James Street - North America's Wall Street 100 years ago!
  
- 9- **The Old Port** - enjoy a Scavenger Hunt, with 2 levels of "difficulty"
  - 9 a) Geared for Sparks & Brownies
  - 9 b) Geared for Guides & up
  
- 10- **The McGill Campus Tree Trail** - lower campus boasts a wide variety of native and non-native trees - who knew an arboretum was quietly growing downtown?



## 11- Taste of the Plateau - Bagels anyone? Or tasty treats from around the world?

Suggest Guides+ whether shopping funky, eclectic boutiques, tasting the sweet and savory flavours of the world, the Plateau is like our own Parisian *arrondissement*. Baguette anyone?

## 12- Photo Safari - any route or Area of your choice, any theme

- bring your digital cameras!

Choose a theme: food, fashion, public art, colours or textures, silly poses or clowning around - This is Your Safari!

**More quick options** will be proposed in your Rally kits - these **Hop-Ops** will make suggestions where you can leave the Metro, do something, and board again at the same stop!

**Ongoing challenges and activities** will cover the whole day's travels. These include Bingo-type activities, a running count on BIXI bikes that are spotted, and some group photo challenges - pack those digital cameras!

## FAQ's

**Who can participate?** All current members of Girl Guides and adult helpers as needed to provide supervision support are welcome and encouraged to attend the event.

**What makes a Rally Team?** A team is a registered group sharing a common itinerary for the day. Teams may consist of girls from one branch, or from mixed branches. Each team requires at least one Responsible Guider. For girls younger than Pathfinders, at least one other Guider or adult female volunteer (under the supervision of the Responsible Guider) is required. If dads wish to accompany a team, males do not count in supervision ratios, but must be registered for the event, since they DO require tickets!

**Can we bring extra adults to help supervise?** Teams of younger girls may genuinely need and appreciate extra hands. The event organizers suggest a 5 girl to 1 adult ratio based on STM ticketing issues. Please enlist as many adults on your team as makes the Guiders and parents comfortable.

**What about girls who wish to participate from Units who are not attending?** This day has been designed as a great Unit event, where talented Guiders can help girls lead themselves on their Discovery adventure. If a girl's Unit is not planning to attend, perhaps her Guiders can connect her up with a local team - though she may have to bring mom along if supervision numbers require it!

**If a whole District registers, are they on the same Team?** Mission Teams are groups that will make common activity choices. A District or larger grouping can make one team, or multiple teams based on different interests and ages. As long as each team covers its own adult supervision needs, it can travel independently over the Missions of the day. Please submit one registration sheet per team and you will be assigned your itinerary accordingly. A single payment can cover multiple teams.

**How many activity choices should a Team make? How long will activities take?**

**No answers for this one!** It is totally your choice. The free-flow portion of the day runs from check-in at the Villa, as early as 9 am, until return to the Villa between 2 and 3 pm, for activities there. Some girls will take 10 minutes in a museum and want to be back on the road again and do 5 other ops. Some may choose 2 museums and spend their day between those two. Some may check in at 11, do one activity, picnic, and return to the Villa early and play there until gathering time. It's YOUR day.



**Who else can be involved in this day?** Past members in your community, our Guiding alumni, can be invited to register anytime prior to May 1<sup>st</sup> at [guiding100quebec@gmail.com](mailto:guiding100quebec@gmail.com) to be put on the Guest List for either Tea with the Trefoil Guild at the Villa, commencing at 12:30 pm, or to visit the McCord Museum, available all day, or both.

### **Planning for this event**

Travel to check-in at Villa Maria is the responsibility of the Teams. Everyone will receive their STM tickets prior to the event, so public transit might be your option of choice. Please state your planned travel choice on the registration form.

Teams may choose to carry snacks and lunch, or may choose to make a fast food meal purchase a part of their day. This, too, is your choice.

Teams are asked to provide adults' cellular numbers (to be carried on May 15) for contact in case of a problem. Every participant will receive an event bracelet inscribed with a "help line" phone number for the day, where volunteers will manage any calls regarding problems or incidents. Please review pages 44 and 45 of Safe Guide for excellent tips to prepare for this event.

From Villa check-in through afternoon departure for home, the activities and public transit for the day are Green level. (SG.1's and SG.2's are needed, as you are out of your community.) Team travel to the event may be Yellow level in some cases, and Responsible Guiders should submit SG.3's at least 14 days before the event if this applies to their groups. Ratios in Safe Guide are minimum permissible ratios, but this event is promoting 1 to 5 minimum ratio for Spark and Brownie ages since our STM travel arrangements allow for one adult to board with up to 5 girls on our common event multi-pass. Guides and Pathfinders, where teams may have more than 5 girls per adult, will need additional ticketing - this is why we are asking for the adult details and girl numbers in your registration.

Still have questions or need other information? Contact [guiding100quebec@gmail.com](mailto:guiding100quebec@gmail.com)