



EVENTS & FESTIVALS

Carnaval de Québec

Québec City and Area

2007-01-26 2007-02-11

January 26 - February 11, 2007 This international attraction featuring arts, culture, sporting events and entertainment is an unforgettable winter outing for the whole family.

www.carnaval.qc.ca

Information: bonhomme@carnaval.qc.ca (418) 626-3716 (866) 422-7628 Canada U.S.A.

La grande traversée Casino de Charlevoix

Charlevoix

2007-01-26 2007-01-28

January 26 - 28, 2007 As in days of yore, some twenty teams take on the river between Île-aux-Coudres and Saint-Joseph-de-la-Rive. Before the ferry service was launched in 1959, the island-dwellers carried mail, medicine and supplies over the ice in an 8-kilometre canoe trip to the mainland and back. The Grande traversée competition, held yearly since 1991, is a tribute to these hardy souls.

www.grandetraversee.com

Information: grande.traversee@sympatico.ca (418) 438-2568

La fête des Neiges

Montréal

2007-01-27 2007-02-11

January 27 - February 11, 2007 - WEEK-ENDS ONLY When the mercury plummets, Montréal warms up and celebrates at Parc Jean-Drapeau. The program features sculptures, skating, sliding and many surprises!

www.fetedesneiges.com

Information: (514) 872-6120

Winterlude

Outaouais

2007-02-02 2007-02-18

February 2 - 18, 2007 - WEEK-ENDS ONLY Fun is waiting for the whole family: the Rideau Canal Skateway, magnificent snow and ice sculptures, energetic rhythms and performances at Snowbowl and Snowflake Kingdom, the biggest snow playground on the continent. Don't miss all this, the cheerful Ice Hogs, and more, at the greatest winter celebration in North America.

www.capitalecanada.gc.ca/baldeneige

Information: info@ncc-ccn.ca (613) 239-5000 (800) 465-1867 Canada U.S.A.

For an exhaustive list of festivals and events, please visit: www.bonjourquebec.com

La Classique - Dogsled Race

Charlevoix

2007-02-02 2007-02-04

February 2 - 4, 2007 Some 50 teams from around Québec, the rest of Canada and the United States compete in this dog-sled race.

www.charlevoix.qc.ca/isle-aux-coudres

Information: setiac@charlevoix.qc.ca (418) 438-2930 (866) 438-2930 Quebec

Canadian Ski Marathon

Laurentides

2007-02-10 2007-02-11

February 10 - 11, 2007 This annual two-day event features a double-tracked ski trail divided into 10 sections spanning 160 km (100 mi.), from Lachute to Gatineau, and welcomes over 2,000 skiers of all skill levels and ages (5 to 85). The shortest track is 12 km (7.5 mi.). Ski at your own pace and put winter to the test!

www.csm-mcs.com

Information: ski@csm-mcs.com (819) 770-6556 (877) 770-6556 Canada U.S.A.

Les Hivernades de Chicoutimi - Carnaval Souvenir

Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean

2007-02-15 2007-03-15

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed Winter carnival.

www.ville.saguenay.qc.ca/portail/wps/portal/maville

Information: info@carnavalsouvenir.qc.ca (418) 543-4438 (877) 543-4439 Canada U.S.A.

Grand Prix Ski-doo de Valcourt

Eastern Townships

2007-02-16 2007-02-18

February 16 - 18, 2007 The largest snowmobile racing event in Canada, featuring Oval (SCM), Snocross (WSA) and motorcycles on ice (CMRC). The top drivers from around the world gather here to put their skills to the test. A breathtaking show, with lots of free activities for the entire family as well.

www.grandprixvalcourt.com

Information: grandprix@cooptel.qc.ca (450) 532-3443 (866) 532-7543 Canada U.S.A.

The Montréal High Lights Festival

Montréal

2007-02-22 2007-03-04

February 22 - March 4, 2007 This international-calibre event, involving Montréal's main theatres, orchestras, dance troupes and museums, as well as the city's finest restaurants and hotels, heats up the winter with the best Montréal has to offer in the way of performance, culinary, lighting and visual arts. These venues also play host to renowned artists, lighting designers and world-class chefs. See downtown Montréal ablaze with light and lively entertainment.

www.montrealenlumiere.com

Information: (514) 288-9955 (888) 477-9955 Canada U.S.A.

International Festival of Films on Art

Montréal

2007-03-08 2007-03-18

March 8 - 18, 2007 This competition is the only event specializing in films on art in all of North America. Topics cut a wide swath across the fields of architecture, archeology, film, dance, design, fashion, music, painting, photography, sculpture and theatre.

www.artfifa.com

Information: pub@artfifa.com (514) 874-1637

Québec City Sportsmen's Show

Québec City and Area

2007-03-15 2007-03-18

March 15 - 18, 2007 Loads of products and services associated with hunting, fishing, camping and other outdoor pursuits, all under one roof! Over 200 exhibitors, manufacturers, retailers, outfitters, service providers and boat and ATV dealers. You'll be entertained and educated thanks to new product demonstrations, workshops, discussion groups and more.

www.salonchassepeche.ca

Information: trudeau@sportshows.ca (418) 622-8118

Snowboard Jamboree - Snowboard World Cup

Québec City and Area

2007-03-15 2007-03-18

March 15 - 18, 2007 This event takes on a truly festive air this year. You'll enjoy parallel giant slalom races, amateur rail competitions, shows, parties and demos. Don't forget to drop by the Expo Village. A great way to kick off winter in Québec!

www.snowjamboree.com

Information: info@snowjamboree.com (418) 827-1122

Vues d'Afrique - The African and Creole Film Festival

Montréal

2007-04-19 2007-04-29

April 19 - 29, 2007 This festival, internationally renowned as the most prestigious of its kind in North America, is celebrating its 23rd year. Here you can share in and discover the real and imaginary side of the African and Caribbean countries.

www.vuesdafrique.org

Information: info@vuesdafrique.org (514) 990-3201

Canadian Tulip Festival

Outaouais

2007-05-01 2007-05-31

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed With spring comes a mosaic of riotous colour from 3 million blooming tulips. This festival is the world's biggest celebration of its kind, and it all began 50 years ago with a gift of 100,000 bulbs from Holland's royal family.

www.festivaldestulipes.ca/

Information: info@tulipfestival.ca (613) 567-4447 (800) 66-TULIP (800-668-8547) Canada U.S.A.

Montréal Bike Fest

Montréal

2007-05-15 2007-06-15

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed This week-long festival offers a number of cycling activities. The final weekend closes with two unique events: Un Tour la Nuit (night tour), which sees 11,000 cyclists ride through Montréal's streets at night, and the Tour de l'Île de Montréal (island tour), North America's largest gathering of cyclists, with 30,000 participants following a 45-km (28-mi.) course on the island of Montréal.

www.velo.qc.ca/feria

Information: (514) 521-8356 (800) 567-8356 Canada U.S.A.

Mondial du vélo.com

Eastern Townships

2007-05-15 2007-07-31

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed The Mondial du Velo bike festival features most cycling disciplines: road races, closed circuit racing, mountain biking, BMX, cycle touring as well as a variety of popular and family activities.

www.mondialduvelo.com

Information: info@mondialduvelo.com (450) 534-3333

Greater Montreal Tour

Montréal

2007-05-15 2007-06-15

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed The only Grand Tour in the Americas. Come cheer on the world's top female cyclists during this stage race held in the Greater Montréal area.

www.coupe-du-monde-cyclisme.org

Information: info@world-cup-cycling.org (450) 471-8214

Festival international de musique actuelle de Victoriaville

Centre-du-Québec

2007-05-17 2007-05-21

May 17 - 21, 2007 New music means exploring all possibilities and permutations. This five-day festival of the avant-garde features 26 concerts and 180 musicians from a dozen countries. Enjoy jazz, rock, electroacoustic, contemporary and improvisational music at the largest new-music festival in North America.

www.fimav.qc.ca

Information: info@fimav.qc.ca (819) 752-7912

Festival TransAmériques

Montréal

2007-05-22 2007-06-07

May 22 - June 7, 2007 Make way for dance and theatre! This festival presents companies boasting the leading lights in contemporary theatre and dance from Québec, Canada and abroad. A major, unifying and prestigious event with a bold and innovative program!

www.fta.qc.ca

Information: info@fta.qc.ca (514) 842-0704

L'International des Feux Loto-Québec

Montréal

2007-06-01 2007-07-30

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed L'International des Feux Loto-Québec offers the most exciting nights of the summer with the 23rd edition of Montréal's international fireworks competition at La Ronde. Let yourself be taken on an imaginary journey as the world's greatest pyrotechnical wizards work their magic to create a majestic ballet that unfolds throughout the night sky.

www.internationaldesfeuxloto-quebec.com

Information: info@laronde.com (514) 397-2000

Festival des fromages de Warwick

Centre-du-Québec

2007-06-01 2007-06-30

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed At this festival, enjoy an exhibition of fine cheeses consisting of new products from regional cheese makers, micro-cheese makers and producers. To learn more about cheese, you can attend cooking demonstrations by renowned chefs as well as various theme conferences. The festival also features outdoor cultural events, a showroom and activities for children.

www.festivaldesfromages.qc.ca

Information: festival@telwarwick.net (819) 358-4316

Montreal's First Peoples' Festival

Montréal

2007-06-01 2007-06-30

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed The First People's Festival highlights American aboriginal art, history and traditions. The richness and vitality of traditional and contemporary aboriginal cultures take centre stage, encouraging a spirit of awakening. Come discover the vivid culture of our continent's first inhabitants.

www.nativelynx.qc.ca

Information: tev@nativelynx.qc.ca (514) 278-4040

The Montreal Fashion and Design Festival

Montréal

2007-06-05 2007-06-10

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed The most glamorous event in Montreal celebrates its 7th anniversary! Sensation, The Montréal fashion and design Festival celebrates its 7th anniversary with an explosive new edition! Five days of dazzling shows with some forty designers on outdoor stages at the heart of downtown Montréal! A breathtaking program!

www.sensationmode.com

Information: info@sensationmode.com (514) 876-1499

Mondial Choral Loto-Québec

Laval

2007-06-01 2007-06-30

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed Once again, in 2007, local and international artists will flock to Laval's Centre de la nature to celebrate the largest gathering of choirs and vocal ensembles in North America.

www.mondialchoral.org

Information: info@mondialchoral.org (450) 680-2920 (866) 680-2920 Canada U.S.A.

Grand Prix du Canada

Montréal

2007-06-08 2007-06-10

June 8 - 10, 2007 The only Formula 1 race in Canada. The world's best auto racers test their skills on the demanding Gilles Villeneuve Circuit.

www.grandprix.ca

Information: (514) 350-0000

Spectacle aérien international de Bagotville

Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean

2007-06-09 2007-06-10

June 9 - 10, 2007 This aerial event includes spectacular acrobatics performed by various teams, precision flying, and demonstrations of military and civilian aircraft of all types. There will also be a display of aircraft on the site.

Information: bagotville@royaume.com (418) 677-4000 #7277

Festival de la chanson de Tadoussac

Manicouagan

2007-06-14 2007-06-17

June 14 - 17, 2007 This festival welcomes nearly 40 artists from a dozen locations. Its many performance sites have a warm and unique atmosphere. In fact, the entire village becomes a musical meeting place for an audience primarily made up of tourists eager to hear and see exciting performers.

www.chansontadoussac.com

Information: chanson@tadoussac.com (866) 861-4108 Quebec

Festival d'astronomie populaire du Mont Mégantic

Eastern Townships

2007-06-15 2007-07-15

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed The biggest gathering of novice, amateur and professional astronomers in Québec. Amateurs are well catered to with a slate of open conferences, workshops designed for the layman, and observation sessions. Come admire the Observatoire du Mont-Mégantic's 1.6 metre telescope.

www.astrolab.qc.ca

Information: parc.mont-megantic@sepaq.com (819) 888-2941 (800) 665-6527 Quebec

Domaine Forget International Festival

Charlevoix

2007-06-15 2007-08-31

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed Every summer, the Domaine Forget hosts this festival of classical music and jazz. These performances and concerts, which take place over a two-month period, enable spectators to discover the talents of international stars, major Québec artists, and promising young musicians.

www.domaineforget.com

Information: info@domaineforget.com (418) 452-3535 (888) 336-7438 Canada U.S.A.

Orford Festival

Eastern Townships

2007-06-15 2007-08-15

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed Each summer the Orford Arts Centre presents this festival, an eight-week celebration of classical music with nearly 40 concerts and an opera. The varied program includes theme weekends. Dinner-concert packages are available. Don't miss the free concerts featuring students from the music academy.

www.arts-orford.org

Information: billetterie@arts-orford.org (819) 843-3981 (800) 567-6155 Canada U.S.A.

Festival en chanson de Petite-Vallée

Gaspésie

2007-06-25 2007-07-03

June 25 - July 3, 2007 A musical event showcasing up-and-coming French-speaking artists and seasoned performers from across Québec. This tribute to Québec song features public presentations and workshops where artists can hone their skills.

www.festivalenchanson.com

Information: info@festivalenchanson.com (418) 393-2222

Classique internationale de Blainville

Laurentides

2007-06-27 2007-07-08

June 27 - July 8, 2007 A must for all equestrian sports lover. High calibre competitions in two international disciplines: Jumping and Dressage.

www.classiqueblainville.com

Information: classiqueblainville@videotron.ca (450) 434-8202

Montréal International Jazz Festival

Montréal

2007-06-28 2007-07-08

June 28 - July 8, 2007 Attracting more and more visitors each year thanks to its worldwide reputation, the Montreal International Jazz Festival has become, in the space of twenty five years, THE jazz rendezvous of the planet. Today, visitors can choose from among over 500 concerts - some 350 of which are presented outdoors, free of charge - that showcase the talents of the world's finest performers of jazz music and its spinoffs. Some 2 000 artists and over 1.5 million festival-goers converge upon Montréal each summer.

www.montrealjazzfest.com

Information: commentaires_jazz@equipespectra.ca (514) 871-1881 (888) 515-0515 Canada U.S.A.

L'international de l'art vocal de Trois-Rivières

Mauricie

2007-06-28 2007-07-08

June 28 - July 8, 2007 More than 80 shows performed in downtown Trois-Rivières: international artists, choirs performing different styles of music - from pop to punk, not to mention jazz and blues. The festival combines street theatre and the vocal arts by presenting small vocal groups in unusual settings, like a pick-up truck or back street.

www.artvocal.com

Information: info@artvocal.com (819) 372-4635 (866) 416-9797 Quebec

FIFA U-20 World Cup Canada 2007

Montréal

2007-06-30 2007-07-22

June 30 - July 22, 2007 In 2007, the world's biggest game is coming to Canada. Canada will host the World's finest youth players in six cities across the country - Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Edmonton, Burnaby, and Victoria.

www.fifa.com/fr/comp/index/0,2442,U20M2007,00.html?comp=U20M&year=2007

Information: info@soccercan.ca (866) 662-3452 North America

Festival international du blues de Tremblant

Laurentides

2007-07-01 2007-07-31

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed The Tremblant International Blues Festival is 10 days of free concerts on different outdoor stages located in a world-class resort. Evenings, the area's bars and restaurants also serve up concerts of their own in a wildly festive ambience! Spend your summer vacation celebrating, discovering or rediscovering some of today's most exciting bluesmen and women.

www.tremblant.ca

Information: kiosque@avtremblant.com (819) 681-3000 (888) 289-8888 Canada U.S.A.

Just For Laughs Festival

Montréal

2007-07-01 2007-07-31

July 1 - 31, 2007 - English shows and free outdoor events from July 12 to 22, 2007 This event, the world's biggest comedy festival, has Montréal in stitches with its galas, theatre, stand-up performances and street entertainment. It welcomes 700 international artists and over two million festival-goers who flock to its 1,500 shows, including 1,300 free outdoor performances.

www.hahaha.com

Information: tourisme@hahaha.com (514) 845-2322 (888) 244-3155 Canada U.S.A.

Festival international Nuits d'Afrique

Montréal

2007-07-12 2007-07-22

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed A world-class musical event celebrating the spirit of Africa and the Caribbean. Over 400 major artists. Thousands of visitors attend these incredible indoor and outdoor shows. Take part in workshops, visit arts and crafts displays and the African market, and sample exotic cuisine.

www.festivalnuitsdafrique.com

Information: info@festivalnuitsdafrique.com (514) 499-9239

The 53rd Traversée internationale du Lac-Saint-Jean

Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean

2007-07-01 2007-07-31

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed During the last week of July, the city vibrates with the festivities surrounding the most prestigious swimming marathon in the world. A multitude of cultural and sports activities for the whole family will help you get the most out of this exclusive summer event.

www.traversee.qc.ca

Information: traversee@traversee.qc.ca (418) 275-2851

L'International Bromont

Eastern Townships

2007-07-01 2007-07-31

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed The top riders meet in Bromont for spectacular, high-calibre competitions, including a World Cup Qualifier, a Speed Derby, a ProAm and a Grand Prix.

www.internationalbromont.org

Information: info@internationalbromont.org (450) 534-0787

Mondial des Cultures de Drummondville

Centre-du-Québec

2007-07-05 2007-07-15

July 5 - 15, 2007 This is a unique opportunity to discover the cultures of 45 countries through dance, music, traditional dress and crafts. Take in more than 415 shows, interactive presentations and exchanges presented both indoors and out at 11 different sites. An exceptional trip for the whole family.

www.mondialdescultures.com

Information: info@mondialdescultures.com (819) 472-1184 (800) 265-5412 Quebec

Québec City Summer Festival

Québec City and Area

2007-07-05 2007-07-15

July 5 - 15, 2007 For the past 40 years, this festival has been drawing crowds with its unique holiday atmosphere. For 11 days the city is transformed into a giant outdoor stage where hundreds of performers show off their talents at some 10 venues in and around Old Québec City, all within easy walking distance.

www.infofestival.com

Information: infofestival@infofestival.com (418) 529-5200 (888) 992-5200 Canada U.S.A.

Régates Molson Dry de Valleyfield

Montréal

2007-07-06 2007-07-08

July 6 - 8, 2007 This is the 69th edition of this international-calibre sporting and cultural festival. Hydroplane races featuring 8 boat categories with top speeds reaching 320 km/h (200 mph).

www.regates.ca

Information: info@regates.ca (450) 371-6144 (888) 371-6144 Canada

Festival international de Lanaudière

Lanaudière

2007-07-07 2007-08-05

July 7 - August 5, 2007 Recognized as one of the most prestigious classical music events in North America, this festival boasts the participation of nationally and internationally renowned soloists. The concerts and recitals are held at the Amphitheatre of Lanaudière, located in Joliette, as well as in churches throughout the region.

www.lanaudiere.org

Information: festival@lanaudiere.org (450) 759-4343 (800) 561-4343 Canada

Casino du Lac-Leamy Sound of Light

Outaouais

2007-07-15 2007-08-15

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed This competition is part of the international circuit of musical fireworks shows (fireworks synchronized with a soundtrack), which take place over water. The winning team will be crowned on the final evening of the competition and receive the Zeus - Les grands feux du Casino du Lac Leamy (Zeus - Lac-Leamy Casino fireworks) award.

www.feux.qc.ca

Information: info@feux.qc.ca (819) 771-3389 (888) 429-FEUX (888-429-3389) Canada

Loto-Québec International Fireworks Competition

Québec City and Area

2007-07-21 2007-08-08

July 21 - August 8, 2007 A unique pyromusical show at an amazing site: Montmorency Falls. The Loto-Québec International Fireworks Competition has become a must-attend event both for top-ranked international fireworks teams and for the 350,000 spectators who attend every summer. The site's exceptional qualities make it the prettiest natural location in the world for this kind of competition.

www.lesgrandsfeux.com

Information: info@lesgrandsfeux.com (418) 523-FEUX (418-523-3389) (888) 934-3473 Canada U.S.A.

Les Francofolies de Montréal

Montréal

2007-07-26 2007-08-04

July 26 - August 4, 2007 For the 19th consecutive year, the world's second largest French-speaking city hosts the largest musical event in the French-speaking world: The FrancoFolies de Montréal! This popular event, reputed for its cultural diversity and enlivened by music and street art, attracts over half a million spectators and some 1 000 artists, musicians, singing stars and budding talents from approximately twenty countries. This one-of-a-kind event, which takes place in the heart of downtown Montréal, offers 50 indoor performances and some 150 outdoor shows--the latter free of charge.

www.francofolies.com

Information: (514) 876-8989 (888) 444-9114 Canada

Traversée internationale du lac Memphrémagog

Eastern Townships

2007-07-27 2007-08-05

July 27 - August 5, 2007 The program for this major event includes a swim marathon (34 km), a series of athletic challenges, sail regatta, canoe race, a series of ongoing and varied shows, amusement rides and top-rated fireworks shows are also part of this event.

www.tilm.net

Information: info@tilm.net (819) 847-3007 (800) 267-2744 Quebec

Divers/Cité Montreal, gay and lesbian pride celebration

Montréal

2007-07-29 2007-08-05

July 29 - August 5, 2007 The annual Divers/Cité festival includes three events: a week-long cultural festival, the Community Day and the GLBT (gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered) Pride Parade.

www.diverscite.org

Information: info@diverscite.org (514) 285-4011

Concours de châteaux de sable des Îles

Iles-de-la-Madeleine

2007-08-01 2007-08-31

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed On the beach of Havre-Aubert, each team must build a castle solely of sand and water. Participants can register in one of the following categories: Family, Adult, Artist or Free Style.

www.ilesdelamadeleine.com/chateaux

Information: chateaux@ilesdelamadeleine.com (418) 986-6863

SAQ New France Festival

Québec City and Area

2007-08-01 2007-08-05

August 1 - 5, 2007 This one-of-a-kind festival will plunge you into the festive ambiance of the 17th and 18th centuries under the French Regime. The streets come alive with music, dance, shows and parades. Plays and the festival-goers' ball offer a real change of pace!

www.nouvellefrance.qc.ca

Information: fetes@nouvellefrance.qc.ca (418) 694-9481 (866) 391-3383 Canada U.S.A.

Festiblues international de Montréal

Montréal

2007-08-01 2007-08-31

2007 edition: Dates to be confirmed The FestiBlues international de Montréal is the last outdoor blues event of the year in the Greater Montréal area. It's an excellent opportunity to celebrate the end of summer, in the cordial ambiance of Ahuntsic Park. Come see the top blues artists from Québec and elsewhere, as well as great names from the international scene, perform on two open-air stages.

www.festiblues.com

Information: info@festiblues.com (514) 337-8425