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Passé Composé project chosen as finalist for Quebec intergenerational week – Semaine québécoise intergénérationnelle

Vaudreuil-Dorion, April 28, 2020 – The City of Vaudreuil-Dorion is happy to announce that it has been selected as a finalist for the Passé Composé cultural mediation project, part of the 2020 edition of Semaine québécoise intergénérationnelle. Winners will be unveiled on May 28 during the Générations climat forum—Agir ensemble pour l'environnement—held by Intergénérations Québec.

Passé Composé is an intergenerational and intercultural project developed by the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion with the help of a Francization teacher from Cité-des-Jeunes high school and members of AUTAM (university of the third age). Young people were paired up with members of AUTAM based on their interests and interviewed the latter to find out about the moments that defined their lives. They then used these interviews to prepare a short essay that they recorded on camera. In collaboration with reporter Natalie Poirier and the team from CSUR LA TÉLÉ, ten short videos (in the form of mini news reports) were put together. These were presented to the public in September 2019 during the MOSA festival.

Michel Vallée, Director of the Leisure and Culture Department, shared a few words about Passé Composé: "This project resulted in so many wonderful encounters! As part of their full French immersion, these teens were able to enjoy an imaginary trip through their adopted land thanks to the stories shared with them by the people from AUTAM. For an instance, they were transported back to the Quebec of the 1960s and 70s. This definitely created some special bonds among all of the participants."

The 10 videos can be viewed on the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion's YouTube page.

About Intergénérations Québec

A non-profit organization, Intergénérations Québec is a solidarity action network that brings together individuals, organization and institutions from across Quebec that work to help bridge the gap between generations. The Semaine québécoise intergénérationnelle contest serves to reward the initiatives that distinguished themselves in this regard over the course of the year.