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The Legend of Catherine Lives Again... Just in Time for Halloween

Vaudreuil-Dorion, October 21, 2020 – In celebration of Halloween this year, the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion has decided to offer its citizens an activity that will not only be fun, but also educational, by helping people discover the history of one of the most iconic buildings on the City's territory. On October 31, families are invited to watch a video about the legend of Catherine Trestler, then search for clues in nearby parks, or simply participate from home if they prefer.

"I am delighted that the story of Catherine Trestler is serving as the narrative for the City's project. I hope people will want to learn even more about Maison Trestler and come visit us in large numbers once the measures make it possible to do so again", commented Louise LeBlond Vallée, general manager of Maison Trestler.

In order to avoid gatherings, the same activity will take place simultaneously in the following eight districts between 1 p.m. and 6 p.m., according to pre-determined routes:

1. Parc de Bel-Air, followed by Parc des Tuileries
2. Parc de Dorion-Gardens, followed by Parc Mozart and Parc Vivaldi
3. Parc Aurèle-Joliat, followed by Parc des Géraniums
4. Parc de la Seigneurie, followed by Parc Jean-Jacques-Bertrand
5. Parc de la Canardière, followed by Parc des Siffleurs
6. Parc Louise-Josephite, followed by Parc Bourget and Parc Saint-Michel (school)
7. Parc Briand, followed by Parc Pinault and Parc du Manoir
8. Parc de la Maison-Valois, followed by Parc du 150^e and Parc Paul-Gérin-Lajoie

Beforehand, it will be important to print out the list of items to be found, which is available on the City's website (ville.vaudreuil-dorion.qc.ca) under the section "Recreation and Culture/Activities and Events/Halloween". The video may be viewed from this location or in the starting park using a QR code that can be read with a smartphone. At the end of each circuit, children will be able to deposit their participation coupon for a chance to win a basket of sweets.

Another option is possible for families who prefer to take part in the treasure hunt from home. A kit containing the instructions and items to be found can be downloaded from the website.

"With the pandemic, we are doing our best to reach out to citizens right in their neighbourhoods, making it possible to avoid large gatherings. We want to continue to offer our citizens recreational activities by adapting our methods and using a little creativity", explained Vincent Bastien, Director of Recreation and Culture.

Solutions to the mystery will be revealed at 8 p.m. on the City's Facebook page.

About Maison Trestler

Located at 85, chemin de la Commune, this magnificent stone manor built at the end of the 18th century recalls the early days of trade in the seigneurie of Vaudreuil. For over 100 years, it welcomed the descendants of Jean-Joseph Trestler, the German immigrant who came to America to gain fortune and fame. Nowadays, the Fondation de la Maison Trestler strives to preserve the home through the organization of cultural activities such as concerts, art exhibitions, guided tours and several other cultural events, in addition to renting out space for a variety of occasions.

For more information: trestler.qc.ca