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Maison Félix-Leclerc ready to welcome visitors for a new season!

Vaudreuil-Dorion, January 25, 2023 – Aftertaking a break for the Holiday season, Maison Félix-Leclerc is now preparing to resume activities. The winter-spring program will include guided tours of Félix's home, creative workshops led by a variety of artists from the region and *Les vendredis au salon*, Friday get-togethers featuring literature, storytelling, music and theatre.

People wishing to explore their creativity will enjoy participating in the workshops offered by different artists each week, which will include drawing, painting, collage art, and photography – something to please everyone! Those interested are asked to register online on the City's website at ville.vaudreuil-dorion.qc.ca and pay the modest sum of \$5 per workshop. Registration for the February workshops will begin at 9 a.m. on January 30th. Please note that these activities are intended for citizens of Vaudreuil-Dorion only.

Stéphan Daigle will be the first artist to host the Friday get-togethers on March 10th, as part of his popular Cabaret littéraire. Featured guests will include poets Jean-Noël Bilodeau and Nathalyrmène Rousseau as well as reader Henriette Milard. Other Friday events will feature an evening of storytelling with Le Cercle des conteurs du Haut-Saint-Laurent, Le Monté Club with its performance of *Sur la route du manouche*, and a theater reading by the Théâtre Université de Montréal ensemble. Additional get-togethers will take place in April, May and June. All are free of charge and open to everyone.

On a similar note, anyone wishing to learn more about Félix Leclerc and discover the home where he created many of his works is invited to visit the house at 186 chemin de l'Anse. Whether on one's own or in the company of a guide, visitors will have the opportunity to immerse themselves in the aura Félix left behind in each room. Also, in February and March, guests can visit the second floor to view artist Jean-Noël Bilodeau's exhibition entitled À bâtons rompus, which features the fruits of his residency in November 2022.

The house will be open Saturdays and Sundays, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., starting February 4th, as well as Fridays, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., starting March 10th. The complete program is available on the website at maisonfelixleclerc.org and at jesuismozaik.com, the City of Vaudreuil-Dorion's cultural information site.