



Peace Grantmakers Network

Fostering social harmony

Tremendous celebration of the International Day of Peace

Unveiling of the “Montreal: Peace in Action” website

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For the third consecutive year, the Peace Grantmakers Network (PGN) has coordinated celebrations of the International Day of Peace (IDP), September 21st, for the City of Montreal. From mid-September to early-October, dozens of educational activities, conferences, interfaith dialogues, expositions, and film projections will be presented in neighbourhoods all around Montreal.

As part of the celebration, the brand new “Montreal: Peace in Action” website will be unveiled at Montreal’s City Hall, in the presence of Mayor Denis Coderre, and members, partners and friends of the Peace Grantmakers Network. “In these troubled times on our planet,” says Brian Bronfman, Network President and co-founder, “it is more important than ever to promote peace and to foster social harmony, both through our day-to-day actions and words, and by recognizing and supporting those who make a difference for peace in our society.”

The “Montreal: Peace in Action” website will present the Peace Grantmakers Network’s various undertakings, but it will also shine a spotlight on those who create and maintain peace in our society, including initiatives involving conflict resolution, inclusion, diversity, and violence prevention.

As part of the International Day of Peace in Montreal, whose theme for 2017 is, “My commitment to peace,” Montrealers are encouraged to ask themselves the question: What do I do for peace in my daily life? All it takes is saying “hello” to the neighbour who just arrived in this country, standing up for someone being bullied in the schoolyard, defusing a colleague’s hurtful words, or demonstrating respect to your co-worker’s religious affiliation. Send us your video clips stating your commitment to peace, and we will publish them on the new “Montreal: Peace in Action” website.

Media are invited to attend many activities; for further information, please consult our IDP Montreal 2017 program at www.peacegrantmakers.ca/wp/jip

Brian Bronfman, PGN President and co-founder, and Laurence Bourcheix Laporte, IDP Montreal coordinator, are available for interviews.

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