

PRESS RELEASE

TAKE ACTION FOR EQUALITY BUILD PEACE



From September 21 to October 2, Peace Days 2023 Program Features More Than Fifty Activities

The theme of this ninth edition is

“TAKE ACTION FOR EQUALITY, BUILD PEACE”

The ninth edition of Peace Days, to be held from September 21 to October 2, will take place under the theme “Take Action for Equality, Build Peace.” The International Day of Peace kicks off the event, which will continue until the International Day of Non-Violence.

The fifty or so activities in the program highlight the importance of equality in building a peaceful society, and underline the impact of collective action in improving the well-being of society. Questions of equality are considered through activities that cover diversity, giftedness, climate justice, Islam in Quebec, the role of media in inclusion, Indigenous realities and discrimination in the workplace, as well as resilience and social harmony.

More than 40 organizations have coordinated activities, which together are geared to a wide audience of ages and interests: these include exhibitions, projections, round tables, conferences, artistic workshops, and family and sporting events. The majority of these activities take place across the Island of Montreal and are free of charge.

An initiative of the Peace Network for Social Harmony

Peace Days 2023, an initiative of the Peace Network for Social Harmony, is an invitation to take concrete action for equality, so that all people are treated with equal dignity and can benefit from the same rights and opportunities.

"The 2023 programming provides the ideal opportunity for us to deepen our understanding of key issues, develop our abilities as peacebuilders, and embark on a collective journey towards peace and social harmony. As spokesperson, I am committed to raising awareness and participation in the wide range of activities being offered by Quebec's grassroots organizations and institutions. This is the perfect moment to work together for a more equal society – one that is based in respect, social justice and inclusion."

— **BRIAN BRONFMAN**

President and co-founder of the Peace Network for
Social Harmony and spokesperson for Peace Days 2023

SEE PEACE DAYS 2023 PROGRAMMING



Since 2015, the Peace Network for Social Harmony has been conceptualizing and organizing Peace Days in the Montreal region, gathering the efforts of a variety of community, cultural, educational, philanthropic and other partners to offer programming that encourages everyone to take concrete action for peace. Organizations and businesses are also encouraged to host or organize an activity.

The Peace Days initiative creates wonderful opportunities for community connections, exchanges, education and awareness raising. It takes place every year from the September 21st International Day of Peace to the October 2nd International Day of Non-Violence.

Peace Days 2023 Gold Partner:

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The Peace Network for Social Harmony is a charitable organization created in 2009 whose membership consists of various philanthropic foundations and businesses. Undertaking each mandate in an inclusive and collaborative manner, the Peace Network focuses its efforts on three fields of activity: diversity and inclusion, violence prevention and peace promotion.

The Network is uniquely positioned to generate cross-sectoral collaboration and engagement, with collaborators that include NGOs, academic institutions, artistic and cultural organizations, researchers, government and many others. The organization's approach is guided by evidence from current research. Partnering with a multitude of stakeholders on a variety of initiatives related to its three fields of activity, the Network's goal is to bring its expertise to these projects, to accompany its partners, to promote their work, and to facilitate collaboration as a way to avoid working in silos while maximizing the impact, reach and effectiveness of each individual and collective action. The Network contributes to social harmony and peace in innovative ways.

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