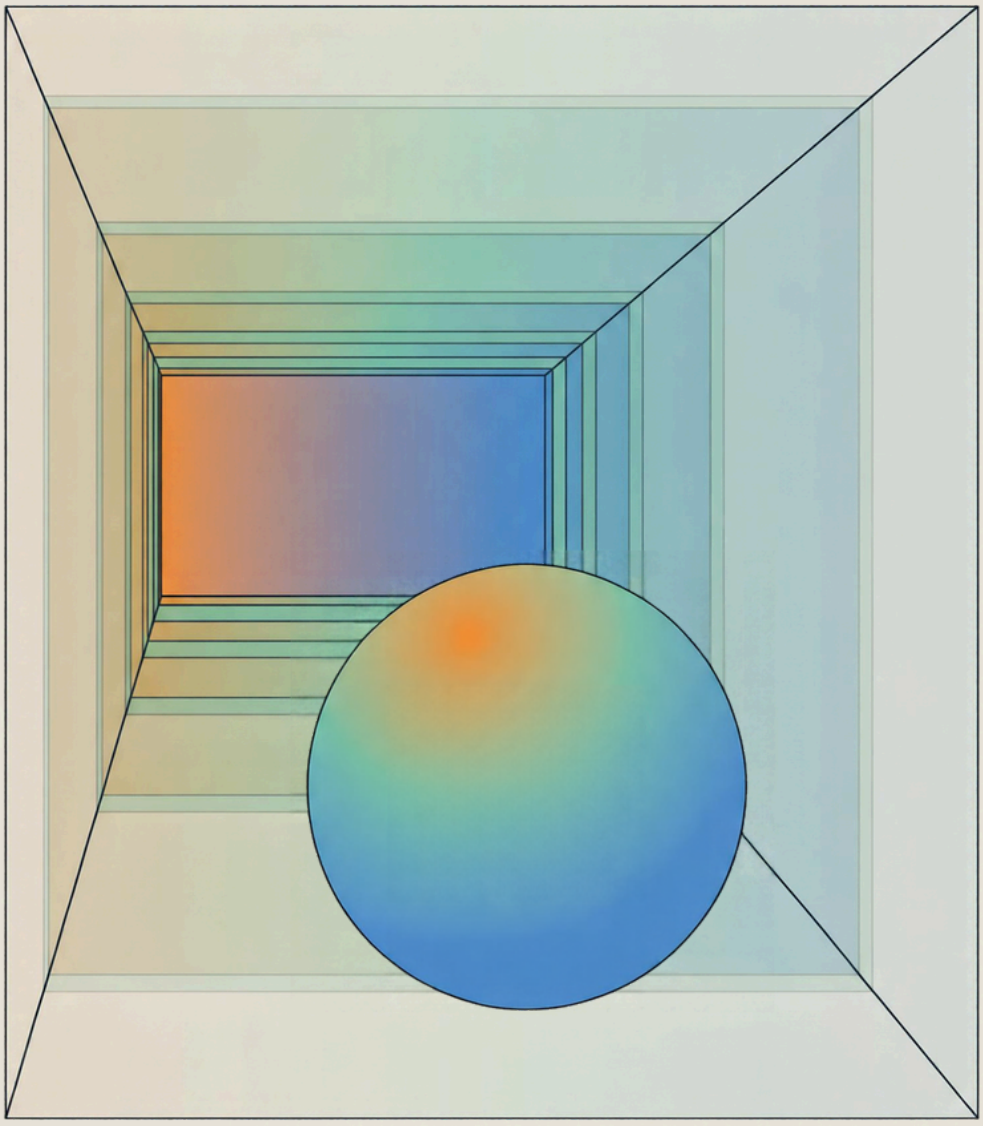
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RIDM & FORUM GUEST GUIDE

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WELCOME!

Dear guest,

We are delighted to welcome you to the 29th edition of the Montréal International Documentary Festival (RIDM) and the 22nd edition of Forum RIDM.

We have prepared this guide with all the information you will need during your stay.

We are here to help if you need anything.

We hope you enjoy your time in Montréal at RIDM!

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HEADQUARTERS (HQ)

RIDM and FORUM headquarters (HQ) are located at the Cinémathèque québécoise. It houses some of our screening rooms, Forum RIDM activities, special events, the bar & lounge, as well as the guest office upstairs.

Cinémathèque québécoise
335, Boulevard De Maisonneuve Est
Montréal, QC H2X 1K1

GUEST OFFICE

Our guest office is locted on the second floor of the Cinémathèque Québécoise. Our team will be present to give you your accreditations and answer your questions.

Office Opening Hours:
November 18: 4:00–7:00 p.m.
November 19: noon–4:00 p.m.
November 20–25: noon–7:00 p.m.
November 26: noon–4:00 p.m.
November 27–29: CLOSED

You must have your passport/accreditation with you to attend the Forum and screenings.

BAR & LOUNGE

The Foyer bar at the Cinémathèque québécoise is open every day of the Festival starting at 5:00 p.m.

- Accepted payment methods: credit, debit, and cash.
- ·Glass deposit: a $2 CAD deposit is applied to your RIDM + FORUM glass and will be refunded when you return your glass to the bar team.
- ·Tipping: service is not included in the price of drinks at the bar. As a general rule, $1 or $2 per glass is common practice. Please remember this when paying :-)

ACCREDITATION

A **RIDM + FORUM** accreditation provides access to:

- All RIDM screenings except opening and closing night, which are by invitation only.
- All FORUM activities except Face-à-Face.

A **RIDM + FORUM + FàF** accreditation provides access to:

- All RIDM screenings except opening and closing night, which are by invitation only.
- All FORUM activities, including Face-à-Face.

RIDM Opening and Closing Nights:

- ·These screenings are by invitation only. Please contact bienvenue@ridm.ca if you have not received your invitation.

IMPORTANT NOTES ABOUT ACCREDITATION:

- You must have your passport/accreditation with you to attend screenings and Forum activities. Your accreditation is valid for one seat per screening or activity, subject to seat availability. We recommend arriving early to secure a seat.
- Admission to screening rooms operates on a "first-come, first-served basis. Seats cannot be reserved in advance with your accreditation.
- Even if a screening is sold out online, a quota of seats is reserved for accreditation holders. Arrive early!
- Venue box offices open one hour before the first screening and close thirty minutes after the last screening begins. RIDM box offices can sell tickets for all festival screenings.

COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS

If your film is being screened at RIDM, you should already have received complimentary tickets for your guests by email. Please check your spam folder!

If not, please contact adjointinvites@ridm.ca.

PROGRAM + SCHEDULE

Our 29th edition, takes place from **November 19 to 29.** Featuring 127 films from 54 countries —including 25 world premieres, 19 North American premieres, 22 Canadian premieres, and 28 Quebec premieres—the festival offers a rich and bold panorama of documentary cinema, bringing together unique perspectives, emerging voices, and renowned filmmakers.

Explore the full program for the 29th edition here!

FORUM RIDM

Doc Lab Montréal: **November 20–22**
Forum: **November 23–25**

Forum RIDM offers six days of professional workshops, discussions, roundtables, and networking activities that support financing, training, exchange, and knowledge sharing. The event brings together more than 400 professionals around innovative projects and current issues in the documentary field. Networking events and business meetings with some of the industry's most influential representatives spark new partnerships and launch new projects.

Visit the "**Forum RIDM Guests**" section to learn more about the industry professionals in attendance, and the **"Forum RIDM Program"** for a detailed program of industry events.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Here are a few of the many free activities taking place during the festival. The full program is available under **RIDM - Late Nights.**

Salle Norman-McLaren - Cinémathèque québecoise ✦ Free

— Nov 19 | 10pm
Opening Night
with DJ Catherine Piché

— Nov 20 | 10pm
New Talent Party: Total Bingo
with DJ Hermano

— Nov 21 | 10pm
Dance Party
with DJ Lia Plutonic

— Nov 22 | 5pm
Scaffold, and what time has taught us (2012-2026)

— Nov 23 | 8pm
Launch Party: LOUF
with Laylit

— Nov 24 | 10pm
VISIONS celebrates 12 years

— Nov 25 | 9pm
Karaoke Night!

— Nov 26 | 10pm
Western Balkans Party
with musical performance
by Blerta Kosova

— Nov 27 | 8pm
Double Launch Party:
Nos échos dans les ruines

— Nov 28 | 5pm
Award Ceremony

— Nov 28 | 10pm
Closing Night
Chez Ba

FESTIVAL VENUES



CINÉMATHÈQUE QUÉBÉCOISE
335 De Maisonneuve Blvd. East
Montreal, QC, H2X 1K1
(Berri-UQAM metro station | Yellow, Orange & Green lines)

Accessibility : The screening rooms are accessible by elevator and offer reserved spaces for wheelchair users and their companions. Accessible washrooms are available on all levels.



CINÉMA DU MUSÉE
1379-A Sherbrooke Street West
Montréal, QC, H3G 1K3
(Guy-Concordia metro station | Green line)

Accessibility: The venue is universally accessible and has wheelchair spaces at the back of the cinema. Three metered parking spaces reserved for accessible parking permit holders are available on Avenue du Musée.



CINÉMA DU PARC
(inside Galeries du Parc)
3575 Parc Ave
Montréal, QC, H2X 2H8
(Place-des-Arts metro station | Green line)

Accessibility: The screening room has reserved wheelchair spaces at the front or back. The entrance for people with reduced mobility is at **3590, rue Jeanne-Mance.**



CENTRE PIERRE PELADEAU
300 De Maisonneuve Boulevard East
Montréal, QC H2X 3J8
(Berri-UQAM metro station | Yellow, Orange & Green lines)

Accessibility: The cinema is universally accessible, with suitable facilities for people with reduced mobility. An area at the back of the main floor is reserved for audience members with reduced mobility.

FESTIVAL VENUES



NATIONAL FILM BOARD
1500 rue Balmoral
Montreal, QC, H3A 0H3
(Place-des-arts metro station | Green line)

Accessibility: The cinema is accessible to wheelchair users. Please ask a staff member to accompany you to the elevator to go upstairs.



GRANDE BIBLIOTHÈQUE (BANQ)
Auditorium - 475 De Maisonneuve Boulevard East
Montréal, QC, H2T 1R8
(Berri-UQAM metro station | Yellow, Orange & Green lines)

Accessibility: The room is accessible to people with reduced mobility via an obstacle-free route. Each mezzanine has 3 wheelchair spaces (a total of 6). The mezzanines are on the same level as the auditorium's main entrance, on the ground floor.



LA MAISON THÉÂTRE
245 Ontario St East
Montreal, QC H2X 1X6
(Berri-UQAM metro station | Yellow, Orange & Green lines)

Accessibility: Prime spaces are reserved for wheelchair users and can be arranged through the customer service team. A drop-off area for people with reduced mobility is available right beside the main entrance, near the access ramp.



CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY - SGW ALUMNI AUDITORIUM
(à l'intérieur du Pavillon Henry-F.-Hall)
1455 Blvd. De Maisonneuve Ouest
Montreal, QC H3G 1M8 —
(Guy-Concordia metro station, Green line)

Accessibility: The venue is universally accessible, with ten front-row spaces reserved for wheelchair users. Automatic doors provide direct access to this area.

FESTIVAL VENUES



DAPHNE ART CENTRE
5425 av. Casgrain Unit 103
Montreal, Quebec H2T 1X6
(Laurier metro station | Orange line)

Accessibility: As the building's entrance has four large steps and no access ramp, the venue is not accessible., If you have reduced mobility and would like to attend our event at Daphne, please contact Lori at 514-557-4274 to discuss access arrangements.



OBORO - STUDIO 04
4001 rue Berri, suite 301
Montréal, QC H2L 4H2
(Sherbrooke metro station | Orange line)

Accessibility: The venue is on the third floor. For accessibility questions, please contact the venue at (514) 844-3250 and they will help you coordinate access using a ramp and a freight elevator. The washrooms are not currently wheelchair accessible.

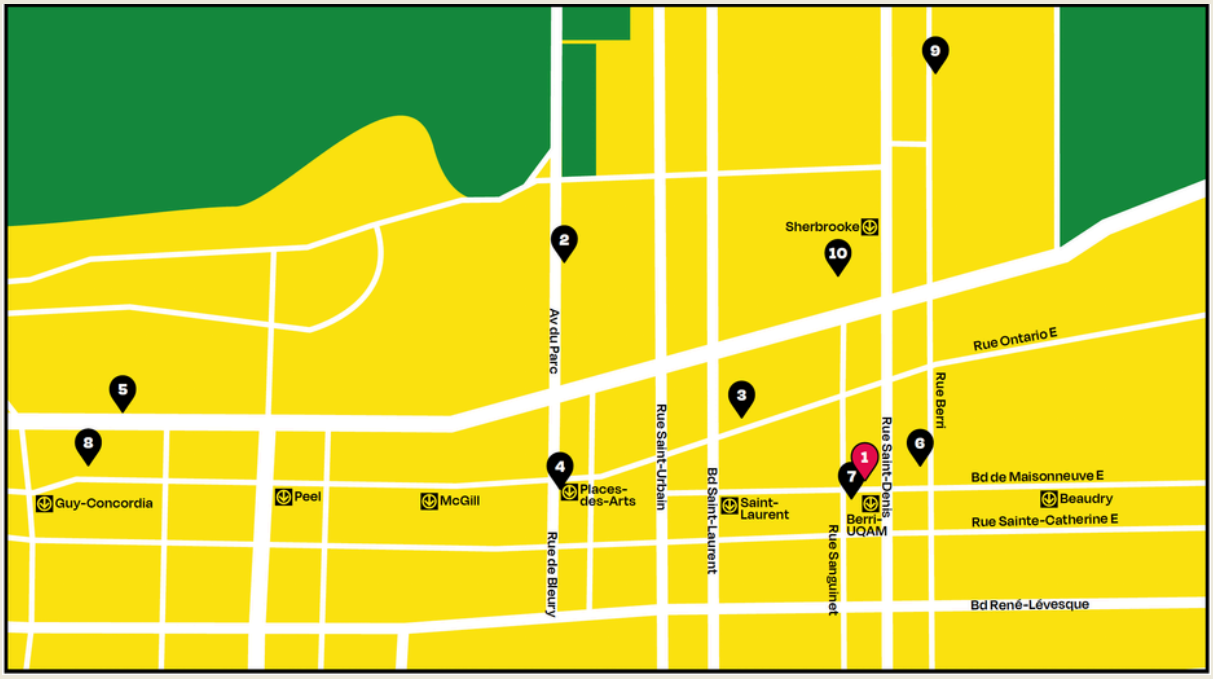


SQUARE SAINT-LOUIS
312 Square-Saint-Louis rd.
Montréal, QC H2X 1A5
(Sherbrooke metro station, Orange line)

Accessibility: This public park is universally accessible. Please note, however, that it is the meeting point for our free activity, Bières et Caméras, which includes a two-hour walk.

For any questions about venue accessibility, contact adjointinvites@ridm.ca. We will be happy to help!

MAP



1. Quartier général RIDM | Headquarters
Cinémathèque québécoise
335, boul. de Maisonneuve Est

→ Bureau d'accueil et d'accréditation
Guest and Accreditation Office
→ Salle de projection principale
→ Salle Fernand-Seguin
→ Salle Norman-McLaren
→ Café-bar
→ Foyer Luce-Guilbeault
→ Conférences, activités et soirées
Panels, activities and parties

2. Cinéma du Parc, salle 2
3575, av. du Parc

3. La Maison Théâtre
245, rue Ontario Est

4. Office national du film, Salle Alanis-Obomsawin de l'ONF
1500, rue Balmoral

5. Cinéma du Musée
1379-A, rue Sherbrooke Ouest

6. Grande Bibliothèque (BAnQ), Auditorium
475, boul. de Maisonneuve Est

7. Centre Pierre-Péladeau, Salle Pierre-Mercure
300, boul. de Maisonneuve Est

8. Université Concordia, Auditorium des diplômés de la SGWU (H-110)
1455, boul. de Maisonneuve Ouest

9. OBORO - Studio 04 (3e étage)
4001, rue Berri

10. Square Saint-Louis
312, rue du Square-Saint-Louis

Centre d'art daphne *
5425 av. Casgrain Unité 103
Laurier Rosemont

* **Hors de la carte** | Outside map

BUS AND METRO

Montréal is a walkable city. Most activities and screenings take place in the Quartier Latin downtown. If you would like to visit other neighbourhoods or get to other cinemas, you have plenty of options.

The **STM (Société de transport de Montréal)** provides access to a complete map of the bus and metro lines.

Ticket counters and vending machines are available in every metro station for purchasing fares. STM counters and vending machines are also available at the airport.

Fare: one single ride - **CAD $3.75.**



Please note: Exact change is required for any fares purchased directly on the bus. The recommended stop for reaching the Cinémathèque Québécoise is Berri-Uqam, using the St-Denis / Quartier Latin exit.

The free **Transit app** will help you find the fastest routes.

BIXI BIKES

BIXI is the City of Montréal's bike-sharing system, launched in May 2009 and operated by BIXI Montréal. The BIXI service offers 9,500 bikes, including 2,400 electric bikes, across 850 stations on the island of Montréal, in Longueuil, and in Laval.



For more information, download the Bixi app or visit https://bixi.com/en/.

AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION

BUS 747-1
Volunteers will be there to welcome you when you arrive at the airport. They will give you a ticket for **bus 747-1** and guide you to the appropriate stop. This bus will take you directly to Hôtel Saint-Laurent; please get off at **St-Laurent/René-Lévesque** (35 min).



INFORMATION ON BUS 747 HERE



TAXI
In exceptional cases of very early or late arrivals, you may take a taxi.

Please inform us in advance and keep your receipt so we can arrange reimbursement.

HOTEL ARRIVAL
Hotel check-in begins at 4:00 PM.

If you arrive in Montréal earlier, you can go directly to the hotel to drop off your luggage . Storage space will be available if your room is not ready yet.

You can then wait in the hotel lounge or head directly to the guest reception desk at the Cinémathèque Québécoise.

BUS 747 SCHEDULE

Important note!

The times **in RED** are for the **747-2.** These buses only go as far as Lionel Groulx station.

The times **in WHITE** are for the **747-1**. These buses go directly to Hôtel Saint Laurent.

We recommend taking only the 747-1 for a smooth journey :)

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*These schedules are subject to change in the event of a strike. If that happens, we will inform you and adjust the airport arrival logistics accordingly.

ACCOMODATION

Hôtel Saint-Laurent
191 Rene Levesque Boulevard East
Montreal QC, H2X 3Z9

Phone: +1 (514) 667-5002
Check-in: 4pm
Check-out: 11am



The hotel is located in downtown Montréal, a 10-minute walk from RIDM and Forum headquarters.

Breakfast is provided in the building next to the hotel. Staff can give you the details when you arrive.

A luggage storage room is available if you arrive before check-in or leave after check-out.

Each room has a fully equipped kitchen (microwave, stovetop, refrigerator, kettle, and coffee maker), so you can prepare your own meals. Additional kitchen appliances are available free of charge at reception if you need anything.

A convenience store stocked with a few essentials and an ATM are also available at reception. On-site amenities include a gym and free laundry facilities. Parking is available for hotel guests.

Grocery store (7-minute walk): IGA Complexe Desjardins – 5 Place Desjardins

Nearby metro stations: Orange line: Champs-de-Mars / Green line: Saint Laurent

WEATHER

As Montreal can be very cold this time of year, we recommend bringing warm clothing. Temperatures can drop to –10 °C, and snow is possible. Please check the weather forecast before you leave so you can pack accordingly.

THE RIDM TEAM'S FAVOURITE SPOTS IN MONTREAL

CAFES

- Augusta
- Aux angles ronds
- Café Santropol
- Caffè Italia
- Ferlucci
- OSMO X MARUSAN

BARS

- Bar Bello
- Bar Darling
- Bar salon chez Miller
- Bar Star Bar
- Buvette Beaubien
- Casa Del Popolo
- Dieu du ciel
- Else's
- Foufounes Elecriques
- Le Cheval Blanc
- Milky Way
- Sans Soleil
- Siboire
- Snowbird Tiki Bar
- Turbo Haüs
- Verres Stérilisés
- ·Wills

RESTAURANTS

- Aléa
- Arepera
- Arthurs
- Aunja
- Barbara
- Byblos
- Chez José
- Chez Téta
- Cornetteria
- Dépanneur le Pick up
- Dobe & Andy
- Fabergé
- Fenêtre sur Kaboul
- Fleurs et cadeaux
- Furco
- Gino's
- Ibéricos
- Ichigo Ichie
- Kahwa Café
- Kazu
- La Khaïma
- Le 409
- Le capital tacos
- L'express
- Lux la lumière
- Ma poule mouillés
- Mr Azteca
- Noren
- Nouilles Sauvette
- Pasta Pooks
- Pho Tay Ho
- Pichai
- Pizza Bouquet
- Poulet Serrano
- Pumpui
- Rotisserie la lune
- Sato Izakaya
- Sushi momo
- Tacos Trunp
- Tsukuyomi Ramen

PLACES TO VISIT

- Canal Lachine
- Mont royal cemetary
- Botanical Garden of Montreal
- Atwater Market
- Jean-Talon Market
- Walk down St-Laurent Boulevard
- McGill Campus
- Hike up Mont-royal
- Jean-Drapeau Park
- Little Italy
- Canada Place
- Sentiers des carrières
- Old Port of Montreal

ACTIVITIES

- Boat down the river
- Bota Bota
- Watch the sunset at the St. Joseph Oratory
- Dance at Le Système or The SAT
- Explore the city on a Bixi
- Foil Gallery Souk
- Les Petits Frères thrift shop
- Mile End thrift shops
- Good shows (@goodshowsmtl)
- The MAC
- The MEM
- Le Port de tête library
- Places des Arts Christmas market
- Musée des beaux arts
- The PHI

OUR COMMITMENTS

A Respectful and Inclusive Environment

RIDM and Forum RIDM seek to promote and reflect on thought-provoking and diverse perspectives of the world through documentary cinema. Both organizations create spaces for sharing, learning, and debate while encouraging respect, inclusion, and empathy.

RIDM and Forum RIDM are therefore committed to providing a safe and friendly environment for everyone, without distinction, discrimination, exclusion, or preference based on ethnicity, nationality, language, social status, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, age, religion, or political beliefs.

RIDM and Forum RIDM reserve the right to revoke the accreditation or ticket of anyone engaging in harmful behaviour such as harassment, discrimination, intimidation, or violence. They also reserve the right to deny access to their venues, screening rooms, and events, and to remove discriminatory or defamatory comments from their social media channels without prior notice or refund.

If you feel that you have experienced harassment, discrimination, or violence, or if you have witnessed such an incident, please notify the RIDM or RIDM Forum team.

You can also report your experience via our incident report form.

Any violation of the law must be reported to the authorities. In an emergency, call 911 immediately.

Environmental Responsibility

At RIDM, we are committed to reducing our environmental footprint, and we invite our audience to join us in this effort. Here are a few simple ideas and tips to make your festival experience even more environmentally friendly.

Supporting Local Partnerships

Consider supporting local artisans and suppliers by choosing organic, fair-trade, and environmentally friendly products when planning your outings before or after screenings. In doing so, you will help support the local economy while contributing to more sustainable consumption.

Reducing Waste at the Source
The best way to limit waste is to reduce it at the source. Here are a few simple efforts to consider during your visit:

- Bring your reusable coffee cup and utensils to reduce the use of disposable items.
- Bring a reusable water bottle and take advantage of the free water refill stations at our headquarters and Forum venues, as no bottled water is available on site.
- At the end of the festival, we encourage festivalgoers to recycle their copy of the programme. Or give it a second life by using it to wrap your holiday gifts!

Managing Waste Responsibly
Most of our screening venues are equipped with waste sorting facilities. We encourage you to sort your waste, recyclables, deposit-return containers, and compostable materials correctly.

Additionally, through our collaboration with Les Valoristes, a solidarity cooperative, returnable materials are collected to be reintegrated into the recycling cycle, and the profits help support the social reintegration of often marginalized individuals. https:/cooplesvaloristes.ca/

Choosing Sustainable Transportation
Why not use your festival visit as an opportunity to try sustainable modes of transportation? We encourage you to use public transit, carpool, or bicycle between screenings and events.

Thank you for your commitment and environmentally responsible actions, which help make RIDM a more environmentally friendly event.

BON FESTIVAL !



On behalf of the entire RIDM team, we hope you have an incredible festival.

We will be at the Cinémathèque Québécoise throughout the festival, and we will be available at the guest reception desk to answer your questions.

We cannot wait to meet you and celebrate your films with you!