

LES RENDEZ-VOUS DU CINÉMA QUÉBÉCOIS

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THE RENDEZ-VOUS DU CINÉMA QUÉBÉCOIS FILM TOUR: ON THE ROAD THROUGH FRANCOPHONE CANADA AN INTIMATE FILM EXPERIENCE! FROM MARCH 9 TO 27

Montreal, Monday, February 23, 2009 – The **Rendez-vous du cinéma québécois** will hit the road starting March 9! Artists and filmmakers, eager to present their works to the general public, will be criss-crossing Francophone Canada. This second edition of the **Rendez-vous du cinéma québécois Canadian Film Tour** will make stops in six different cities: **Edmonton (March 9-10), Victoria (March 12-13), Moncton (March 16-17), Winnipeg (March 19-20), Sudbury (March 23-24) and Whitehorse (March 26-27).**

BROADENING THE SCOPE OF FRANCOPHONE CULTURE

In each of the cities on the schedule, the crew of the **Rendez-vous du cinéma québécois Film Tour** will be working hand in hand with local affiliates, creating a partnership capable of adapting festival events to each particular milieu. The Tour is proud to be working in collaboration with the **Société Cinémagine de l'Alberta**, for its visit to Edmonton.

PRESTIGIOUS AMBASSADORS

This year, once again, the **Rendez-vous du cinéma québécois Film Tour** has planned a series of encounters between students and the general public, and acclaimed artists and filmmakers. In Edmonton, film director **Simon Lavoie** (*Le Déserteur*), and film editor **Michel Giroux** (*La mémoire des anges*) will be holding discussions about their art with audiences.

A SEDUCTIVE PROGRAM

With two feature films, a documentary, and nine short films, the 2009 Film Tour promises a varied and fascinating array of film productions. Film buffs will be treated *Le Déserteur* by Simon Lavoie, *Le grand départ* by Claude Meunier, and the documentary *La mémoire des anges* by Luc Bourdon. And a short film will be shown before each feature presentation, including *Mon nom est Victor Gazon* by Patrick Gagé and *Rosa Rosa* by Félix Dufour-Laperrière.

A MIXED BAG OF EVENTS

Some Film Tour events are intended for student audiences and will be presented in Campus St-Jean of the University of Alberta, and others are geared for the general public. On **March 10**, The **Film Class** proposes to students an informal get-together with film director **Simon Lavoie**, who will attempt to demystify the art of filmmaking. The **Doc' Rendez-vous** features the screening of a documentary, followed by a discussion, between film editor **Michel Giroux** and students, of the issues dealt within the film. **To Make It Short** presents to the general public a series of exhilarating short films, at **11:30 A.M.** at the auditorium of the **Pavillon McMahon on Campus St-Jean, 8406, Marie-Anne-Gaboury Street (91 Street)**. The **Premiere Evening Presentation** offers film lovers a chance to experience a real film premiere, presenting *Le Déserteur*, complete with film director **Simon Lavoie** to present his work, on **Monday, March 9, at 7 P.M.** and *Le grand départ* on **Tuesday, March 10, at 7 P.M.** Tickets for the

Premiere evening Presentations will be taking place at **UniThéâtre**, 8627 Marie-Anne-Gadoury Street (91e rue) and tickets are on sale at **Librairie Le Carrefour**, 8627 rue Marie-Anne-Gaouvry (91e rue), for information: 780-466-1066. Tickets will also be available at the door.

THANK YOU TO OUR PARTNERS

The Rendez-vous du cinéma québécois Canadian Film Tour wishes to thank the Government of Québec, the Fondation René Malo, for its continued involvement in Quebec cinema, Telefilm Canada and the Government of Alberta.

THE RENDEZ-VOUS DU CINÉMA QUÉBÉCOIS

The Rendez-vous du cinéma québécois has been working for 27 years to support and promote Quebec cinema, nationally and internationally, through presentations and events that bring together artists, industry professionals and Quebec audiences.

By bringing together Francophones, Francophiles, film lovers and students, the **Rendez-vous du cinéma québécois Film Tour** creates solid ties and offers unforgettable experiences, leaving people with a single desire... to do it all over again, one more time!

For complete information on the 2009 Film Tour which hits the road from March 9 to 27, visit www.rvcq.com

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