

2020 SUMMER RESPITE SERVICE

Starting in 2020, participants aged 5 to 24 years old will have the opportunity to enjoy a stay in our Summer Respite Service, once their registration has been confirmed. The Summer Respite Service welcomes individuals with autism spectrum disorders who live with their natural families exclusively. This service offers a ratio of one host per participant, which can be adjusted according to the needs of each user.

We believe that it is important to inform you that, as of 2020, **some changes are being made to the eligibility rules** for the Summer Respite Service of AUTISME MONTRÉAL. The Board of Directors is committed to returning to its primary mission, with a focus on meeting the pressing needs of natural families. It was officially decided to no longer allow participants residing in accommodation resources to participate in the summer camp.

For 2020 and beyond:

- **Registration will be exclusively for people with ASD, aged between 5 to 24, who live with their natural family on the Island of Montreal;**

This rule is effective as of 2020, for all users.

- **From the age of 21, registration will be available only for people who do not have access to a socio-professional activity, 4 to 5 times a week.**

However, attendance at the camp is required 5 days/week. For our participants with a guaranteed place in the summer of 2020, this rule will apply only as of 2021.

Camp schedule: Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Daycare service available for a fee of \$ 20/hour (from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.).

Note that you must be a member in good standing of AUTISME MONTRÉAL at a cost of \$ 30 per year.

BERGAMOTE :

Participants aged 5 to 15 years old

The address will be soon confirmed with the Montreal School Board.

1st stay = June 29 to July 24, 2020 (4 weeks)

2nd stay = July 27 to August 21, 2020 (4 weeks)

Cost : \$ 975

ROCK-CAMP-BOL AND WASABI :

Rock-Camp-Bol: Participants aged 14 to 24 years old.

Wasabi: Participants with severe behaviour problems and/or special needs.

1st stay = June 29 to July 21, 2020 (3 weeks and 2 days)

2nd stay = July 23 to August 14, 2020 (3 weeks and 2 days)

Cost: \$ 875

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PROCEDURES NEW FAMILIES

New parents wishing to apply for summer 2020 must be present on Saturday, March 7, at 10:00 a.m., 4449 Berri Street, Suite 434 (prioritize public transit; no parking is available on site and major works are being made at the exit of the metro, so please call extension 0 to obtain information about how to get there). An information session (duration of up to 3 hours) will be held to introduce you to our service and register your child on the waiting list (mandatory presence on site).

Please note that no pre-registration is required to attend this meeting. For more information, please do not hesitate to contact us at 514 524 6114, extension 3182.

For more information about the procedures and registration date, please click on the following link:
<http://autisme-montreal.com/en/our-services/summer-respite-service/>

WE ARE PREPARING FOR AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

We Are Running During the Month of April!

We are already at the time of the year when we are calling on your feet and your cardio for our organization! Autism Montreal renews its participation in the Scotiabank Charity Challenge. Thanks to the participation of several runners, in recent years, the organization has been able to support families that do not have the financial capacity to benefit from a respite service. This year, we would like to increase our number of runners and achieve a **\$ 5,000** goal, and to do so, we need your participation.

The event will take place at **Espace 67, Parc Jean Drapeau, on Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th April 2020.**

As runners, the goal is to have fun, promote the cause of autism and raise funds. To thank the runners for their involvement and commitment to our cause, the registration fee will be refunded if an amount equal to twice the registration fee is collected.

Registration: <https://raceroster.com/26578?aff=CNZGH>

To submit an online donation : <https://bit.ly/37DyW0f>

Do not hesitate to contact us for more information on the rates at jlazureroy@autisme-montreal.com or at 514 524 6114, extension 3142.

Autism Awareness Walk

You may already reserve the date of Saturday, April 25 in your diary for autism awareness walk. Please stay tuned for all the information regarding this walk.

Come turn the wheel

On April 2, "World Autism Awareness Day", come and play and learn about autism services offered by the public network...

By playing you will learn more about the functioning of the health network, the delays, the mazes.

Sign up here : <https://forms.gle/5kNT7QyMmZ1h823W7>

AUTISME MONTRÉAL'S PERMANENT TEAM

In an effort to standardize our information and simplify communications, we have made some changes to the titles of our permanent team as follows :

- ⇒ Julie Champagne, Executive director
- ⇒ Sylvain Tremblay, Accountant
- ⇒ Chantal Pivin, Administrative agent
- ⇒ Jade Lazure Roy, Communication agent
(Community life; Fundraising Events; Events; Social Media)
- ⇒ Valérie St-Pierre, Responsable of Direct Services
(Respite services : La Maisonnette and Summer Camp)
- ⇒ Audrey Blanchette, Responsable of Direct Services
(Christmas Camp; Spring Break Camp and Swimming Lessons)
- ⇒ Electra Dalamagas, Supervisor-Family Support Worker
(Individual Human Rights Advocacy and Complex Psychosocial Situations)
- ⇒ Nicole Dessureault, Family Support Worker — 0-12 years old
(Support and Documentation Center)
- ⇒ Nathalie Boulet, Family Support Worker — 13 years old + and for people with ASD without Intellectual Delay
(Support and Collective Human Rights Advocacy)
- ⇒ Monalisa Didier, Family Support Worker — Activities for people with ASD without Intellectual delay
- ⇒ Marie-Claude Barbier, Family Support Worker — Shadowing and Babysitting Service

For our complete contact information, visit our website using the following link : <https://autisme-montreal.com/qui-sommes-nous/employes/>.

Looking forward to hearing from you!

BRAINSTORMING WITH OUR MEMBERS, YOUR IDEAS ARE WELCOME!

Autisme Montréal is looking to innovate for the 'month of autism' to come. Our goal is to improve or diversify the sensitization/awareness tools and outreach programs for the community. There are three ways to contribute your ideas with the existing team.

1. Depending on the number of members available, you could participate in a brainstorming meeting for the purpose of developing ideas, one idea can then generate another. Contact us by phone at 514 524-6114, extension 3142 to let us know you are interested;
2. Exchange your ideas with the Communication Agent by phone at 514 524-6114, extension 3142 or by mail jlazureroy@autisme-montreal.com;
3. Be an intermediary for Autisme Montréal by putting us in contact with any person, organization or company in Montreal who wishes to organize activities during the month of autism. Don't forget to let us know.

We are waiting for your suggestions to make autism more visible in the community. It's together that we will succeed in creating an inclusive society.

MAISONNETTE SPRING 2020

It is already time to think about registering your child to the 2020 spring respite weekends at La Maisonnette. Registrations must be done by phone starting on **Monday, February 17, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.** by calling the Responsible of Direct Services. Please note that registrations will be made according to the order of the phone calls received, so the principle of first come, first served will be applied.

After an assessment of our weekend respite service attendance, **the Board of Directors made a decision to change the age of eligibility for children from 5 years of age.** We took the opportunity of this change to revise the composition of our age groups, allowing for a better distribution of registrations.

This change will be effective as of April 1, 2020. We are asking you to review the new schedule at: <http://autisme-montreal.com/en/our-services/weekend-respite/>.

If you reach the voice mail, you can leave a message with your name, the name of your child, your telephone number as well as the desired dates, in order of preference. Please note that you are entitled to one weekend per season.

Thank you for your understanding.

<http://autisme-montreal.com/en/our-services/weekend-respite/>

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<http://autisme-montreal.com/en/about-us/staff/>

