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Camp



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Concert featuring the graduates of the 4th edition of the Blues Camp

Tomorrow's musicians in concert tonight

Club Jazz TD Canada Trust, today at 5:30 p.m.

Montreal, Sunday, July 12, 2009 — A musical dream week winds up for some 50 youngsters aged 13 to 17 who were lucky enough to participate, **free of charge**, in the **4th edition of the SIMM Blues Camp**, presented by **TD Canada Trust** as part of the **Festival International de Jazz de Montréal**. The public is invited to come discover the incredible talents of this new generation of musicians, tomorrow's blues stars, at the **concert featuring the Blues Camp graduates, today at 5:30 p.m.**, on the **Club Jazz TD Canada Trust** stage in the context of the **Les Soirées jazz TD Canada Trust** series.

Amazingly, this stellar generation will be staging **their own musical creations** that have been the focus of their efforts all week long. From July 6 to 12, 2009, the young musicians—chosen for their talents and energy at last April's auditions—had a unique opportunity to perfect their playing, acquire a wealth of knowledge related to the history of the blues, get a backstage glimpse of the Festival, enjoy privileged access to some of the Festival musicians, and of course, practice in preparation for tonight's concert!

And the Blues Camp participants were not alone. They were supervised the whole way through by music pros in classes, meet-and-greet sessions and enriching practices at all levels. For example, these budding musicians had a chance to share ideas with some of their music idols, such as **Stephen Barry, Dawn Tylor Watson, Muhammad Abdul Al-Khabyr, Paul Deslauriers, Jim Zeller, André Leroux, Jocelyn Couture, Julie Lamontagne, Bob Harrisson** and **Rick L. Blues** at laid-back workshops. And under the skilled hand of the Blues Camp's artistic director, **Robert Jodoin**, contagiously passionate teachers shared the tricks of the trade with the talented youngsters. **Yves Adams** (saxophone), **Serge Arsenaault** (trombone), **Vincent Beaulne** (voice), **Alain Bertrand** (guitar), **Daniel Bonin** (bass guitar), **Samuel Harrisson** (drums), **Jean-Pierre Lambert** (piano), **Michel Lambert** (trumpet) and **Christian Malette** (guitar). A jam-packed daily schedule for the eager teens!

And so today, the closing day of the **Montreal Musical Instrument Show** and the music day camp, at **5:30 p.m.** on the **Club Jazz TD Canada Trust** stage, we will be treated to a foretaste of the talents and knowledge acquired by this up-and-coming generation of great blues musicians!

The Blues Camp offers its warmest thanks to **TD Canada Trust**, whose continued proud sponsorship and presentation hit just the right note, making this musical dream camp possible. Our sincere thanks also go out to partners **Steve's Music Store, Mel Bay, Aebersold, Vox, Korg, Pearl, Marshall, Samson and Hartke**, the **Cégep du Vieux Montréal**, **CIBL Radio-Montréal 101.5** and **Planète Jazz 91.9**.

To find out all there is to know about the Blues Camp and the SIMM, visit the website at simmontreal.com.

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