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An anticipated reopening!

# This fall, new features and discoveries await visitors at the Montréal Science Centre

After more than a year of closure due to the pandemic, the Science Centre is pleased to announce today its reopening. Interactive activities, manipulations, experiments through play and discoveries through science popularization are on the agenda for the whole family to enjoy, while respecting all sanitary measures. Just in time for the fall season and the beginning of the school year, this is an opportunity to discover a new exhibition, **Mini Mondo**, and to dive into the range of fun learning activities offered by the museum.

### In brief

- 4 permanent exhibitions: **Explore**, **Fabrik**, **Human** and the latest, **Mini Mondo**, a creation of the Science Centre team.
- Numerous awards of excellence for the exhibits created by the Science Centre, including the latest: the **Gold winner** for the **Explore** exhibit at the 14th edition of the Grands Prix du Design.
- 2 films at the **IMAX® TELUS** theatre: **Superpower Dogs 3D** and **Great Bear Rainforest 3D**.
- **Online ticket purchase only** for entry control by time slot.
- In addition to the mandatory **vaccine passport**, sanitary measures have been put in place to allow the full experience of the Science Centre

## **Mini Mondo: a new permanent exhibition for 0-7 year old**

Mini Mondo, the new permanent exhibition created and designed by the Science Centre, is an immersion in eco-citizenship for children from 0 to 7 year-old. Through three environments that reflect places known to them: the forest, the river and the city, Mini Mondo offers a welcoming and inspiring space for families. This exhibition offers a fascinating and interactive universe where children can better discover their environment. Object manipulation, auditory stimulation and free play are on the agenda to awaken the senses! Mini Mondo is also offered in four languages, in addition to French and English, in order to better represent the Montréal population, which frequently communicates in Arabic, Creole, Spanish and Mandarin.

## **New features for a full science experience**

The Science Centre is marking its long-awaited reopening with several other new features, such as Explore, a huge exhibition dedicated to scientific principles. This exhibition, which opened to the public only a few months before the pandemic, is worth a visit with its seven interactive sections. A unique experience where young and old discover the interconnection of scientific knowledge through experimentation and free exploration. The European Union's Copernicus exhibition also offers the opportunity to see some of the most emblematic Canadian and European landscapes. A unique collection of 24 images captured by a constellation of satellites.

It is also the time to immerse yourself into the various universes created for visitors: Fabrik, Human, Digesto, Water in the Universe, The Windmills of the Imagination and of course, the IMAX® TELUS Theatre, to experience an unforgettable day at the Montréal Science Centre.

## **The pandemic and the importance of science**

The past few months have been challenging, but the Science Centre has successfully overcome them. Despite its temporary closure, and the celebration of its 20th anniversary in a virtual format, the Centre reached out to French and English-speaking audiences around the world through the spreading of its scientific content and activities on the web and through social media. More than ever, the work of scientists and the importance of their profession will have attracted the interest of young and old alike, a mission that the Science Centre has been pursuing for more than twenty years.



## Quotes

« We are very proud to be able to welcome visitors once again and offer them not only a unique experience through science popularization, but also a demonstration of all the know-how of the Science Centre team. Our ideas and creativity come to life in the various exhibits, such as Explore and Mini Mondo, and to see families discover science and technology is wonderful! »

- **Cybèle Robichaud, Director of Programming, Montréal Science Centre**

« The Science Centre is an essential part of the cultural attractions of the Old Port of Montréal. As such, I would like to highlight the resilience and deep commitment shown by each member of the Science Centre team. Thanks to these people, the educational mission of the Old Port of Montréal continues to be carried and transmitted. »

- **Isabel Dansereau, Senior Director, Old Port of Montréal Corporation**

## About the Montréal Science Centre

The Montréal Science Centre, a division of Canada Lands Company, is a complex dedicated to science and technology, with more than 700,000 visitors annually. It is characterized by its accessible, interactive approach and its showcasing of local innovation and know-how. **Its partners include TELUS, Volvo, Énergir, The Beat 92.5 and La Presse +.**

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