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Camp Dates (in case they've slipped your mind!!)

Schulich School of Music of McGill University 555 Sherbrooke Street West

Guitar Techniques Camp August 8-12





#### Drop-off (8:30 - 9 a.m.) & Pick-up (4 p.m.)

Every day, rain or shine, arrivals and departures are at the main entrance of:

Schulich School of Music of McGill University 555 Sherbrooke Street W. at the corner of Union Street (one block east of University Street), McGill metro, exit Robert-Bourassa Street (Previously University Street, see map)

Upon your arrival: you must sign in with the nice people at the welcome table :)

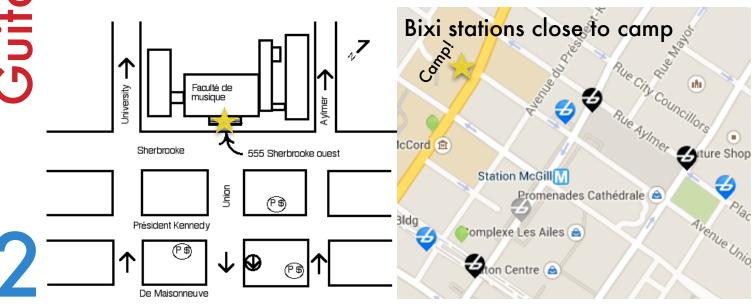
For all departures: Unless your parents have warned us in writing (e-mail!) that you will be leaving on your own, your parents will have to come pick you up in the pre- and after-camp room (this is the same place they left you in the morning). Tell them that an I.D. card will be required, and they will have to sign you out.

Since every parent will have to sign their child out, suggest that they wear a big smile (even if this procedure takes a while). We understand that they've had a long day at work and are anxious to get home for supper, and we will make the process as quick and painless as possible :)

## Pre- and After-Camp Supervision

In past years, Songwriting Camp members have not used this service. However, if you are not authorized to leave the camp on your own, or if your parents cannot drop you off after 8:30 a.m. and pick you up before 4:00 p.m., you may stay on camp grounds while waiting. Please note that you will not be under the responsibility of our pre-and-after-camp supervision.

### Maps





#### Absences

If you foresee being absent from camp, please notify us in advance by email.

In order to avoid disrupting ongoing projects, campers who are absent for more than 2 consecutive days without prior arrangements with the coordinator will not be allowed to return to the camp.

#### You're late?

The workshop starts at 9 am, if you are late, you need to come in the camp office to check in (so we won't call your parents telling them that you are not at camp when you are ;) ! We will bring you to your group, so you can start your day!

#### Communication with the camp in the summer

The camp office is open from 9:00 am to 4 p.m., monday to thursday. Due to all the amazing end-ofcamp shows, the office close at 3 p.m. on fridays. Before (starting at 7:30 am) and after (until 6:00 pm), the staff is on site but away form the phone. You can always leave us a message, we do take them at 9:00 am every morning, same with e-mails. We are also always available to talk to you during arrivals & departures periods! Please note that we will contact you through e-mails & with our Facebook page all summer long!

#### **Allergies Bracelet**

If you had mentioned in the camper's registration any severe or deathly allergies, you will received on the very first morning a colourful bracelet. It will be necessary to wear it every camp day during the camp session (it's bath & pool resistance and even a bit in fashion)

For us, it's a quick and effective tool to identify any campers with allergies to be able to offer them a great, safe camp experience with us! We will ask the parents collaboration to make sure that this bracelet survive to the camp!



## **Bullying Policy**

We take every camper's experience very seriously, and it is important to us that everyone feels safe and happy each day at camp! Counsellors will work to maintain the most positive environment possible, free from emotional or physical aggression, and they expect campers to immediately report incidents of bullying. Camp will not tolerate behaviour that infringes on the safety or well-being of any camper.

## **Lice Policy**

In the case that some lice should decide to find their way into your child's hair, please inform the camp as soon as you notice. Unfortunately, due to the contagious nature of lice, a camper with lice and eggs will not be accepted back at camp until they've completed their treatment. Please note that we will treat every case of lice at camp with as much sensitivity and confidentiality as possible.

If some of our little friends do join us at camp, we will inform parents of the concerned groups by e-mail and will also give out a general notice should an outbreak be discovered. As a precaution, we will also make a quick and efficient « head check » on all the campers that are part of the same group.

## Food & Lunch Plan

Since your daily schedule is packed with activities, we recommend that you:

- Have a good breakfast before coming to camp;
- For lunch, there are two options:
- You can bring your lunch, ideally in a lunch box containing an "ice pack." Please note that we have NEITHER refrigerators NOR microwave ovens
- OR you can take part in the lunch plan option we are now offering! The meals will be prepared by McGill Food Services and options include a hot/cold and a meat/vegetarian option every day. See the website for sample menus, pricing and instructions on who to register for this summer!
- Bring two healthy snacks that can be kept at room temperature, each labelled with your name;
- Bring a bottle of water: Again, remember to write your name on it!!

For the sake of good nutrition, safety and time constraints, vending machines are off-limits during Camp hours. There is no need to bring cash to camp.



### Green Lunches & Tremplin Santé

As you've probably heard, our planet needs some taking care of, so we asked ourselves how we could help out! We're also introducing the program Tremplin Santé this year! More details on that program: http://www.tremplinsante.ca/accueil

Here's how:

- By bringing your healthy lunch in a lunch box rather than in a plastic bag;
- By putting your food and your juice in reusable containers (with your name on!) rather than in plastic bags and disposable juice boxes;
- By recycling and composting every lunch at camp!
- AND by helping mom and dad with the dishes when you get home :)

#### Birthdays at Camp

We know that birthdays are specials moment and we make sure to celebrate them at camp! The staff will make sure that the lucky campers' day is filled with happy times and a special acknowledgement will happen during one of the animation sessions during the day, either in the morning, at lunch, or at the end of the day. Please note that due to our allergies and food at camp policies, we can't accept cake or any other special food for your camper's group, so that will need to wait until they get home :)

### What to Bring to Camp

- your guitar (acoustic and/or electric)
- Amps if needed
- headphones
- sun-glasses & sun-screen;
- a hat or cap;
- comfortable active-wear;
- good sneakers, no sandals!!;

To avoid losing anything, make sure to put name-tags on all items you bring to Camp: clothes, raincoats and boots, umbrellas, lunch boxes, costumes, accessories, etc.

#### What to Leave at Home

Cell phones, i-pads, toys or other distracting technology, and valuables. Unless it is being used for a camp-related activity, cell phone use is not allowed during camp hours. If you need to call home, ask your counsellor to go to the office and use that phone.

Camp is not responsible for lost or stolen items.



#### Activities

	Guitar Techniques Camp		
Monday	Team introduction & Safety rules		
Tuesday	T-shirt distribution (for those who have already ordered one) Group pictures!		
Wednesday	Sale of tickets, hats, and pictures begins today		
	Costume Day: Sponges vs. Mops		
	Special Game Day!		
Thursday	Regular Activities		
Friday	End-of-Camp Show 4:30 p.m.		

\*<u>The Costume Days</u> are fun and specials days at camp! Make sure to prepare for them since you know the theme in advance ;) Please note that all regular workshops continue on special theme days and costume days, so dress accordingly (still no sandals!)

For a more detailed schedule, see our website : <u>https://www.mcgill.ca/conservatory-camp/information/schedules</u>





### **End-of-Camp Shows**

4:30 p.m. \*\* Subject to change\*\* Guitar Techniques Camp: August 12

Details regarding the End-of-Camp Show will be provided when we start the sale of the tickets. Families that want tickets will be able to buy them starting on the Wednesday of each session for \$5 per ticket (plus taxes). First come, first served!

## T-shirts, hats, pictures and videos

Included in your registration is a camp T-shirt.

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You may also choose from the following extras, "à la carte":

- An 8 X 10 picture of your group (\$15)
- Camp hats (\$15)
- DVD ,Back by popular demand!! (\$30 to be send by e-mail in the Fall)

Otherwise, your parents can buy them "à-la-carte" at the welcome table of the camp during the preand-after-camp supervision hours or by e-mail!

We look forward to welcoming you!

Cactus Associate Director

Hibou Administrative Assistant

Antigone Monte Cristo **CIT Trainer** 

Zoboomafoo Coordinator Camp Artemusik-ki

Jedi Coordinator of the Activities

Kattaströff Coordinator **Specialized Camps** 

#### And everyone on our great team, too!!

Којо	Cabriole	Kino	Tambourine
Popcorn	Koala	Fanta	Bubbles
Zoom	Blouz	Farandole	Sonic
Sauterelle	Kattastrophe		