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Three weeks old… and already in the park!

Intercultural walk and conversations, Québec Intercultural Encounters Week



Matin Intercultural Institute, based in LaSalle, was registered with the Registraire des entreprises du Québec on October 14, 2026. Three weeks later, we were already outside under a grey November sky with a great group of neighbours, walking, chatting and getting to know each other… in French!

It was freezing! With the November wind, everyone kept moving: a family with their dog, couples, kids who just wanted to run, two young people on scooters and even a jogger who couldn't stop without freezing. The conversations were short… but warm. Lesson learned: next time, we bring hot coffee!

What we experienced

We walked, we chatted, we laughed. People who usually pass each other without a word took the time to share their stories: what they love about LaSalle, what surprised them when they arrived, what they would like to see in the neighbourhood. Three participants agreed to share their testimony on camera.

✔ Our very first public activity was listed on the **Government of Québec's official calendar of the Semaine québécoise des rencontres interculturelles**.

21	3	100%
participants	video interviews	led in French

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Three faces, three voices



Interview 1 · Came to Montréal for love

“I fell in love […] with the city […] because it's a multicultural city. There are events all the time, every season.” *(translated from French)*



Interview 2 · In Montréal for 8 years

“There are many cultures here […] we all live together […] we come together to create something extraordinary.” *(translated from French)*



Interview 3 · In Montréal for almost 17 years

“It gives you really the ability to express yourself […] the way you want your future to shape in a new country.”

Stills from the three video interviews, published with the participants' consent.



Why it matters for LaSalle

LaSalle is a community enriched by its diversity. Matin wants to offer simple, free opportunities, in French, where people truly meet, and to contribute to neighbourhood life alongside the organizations already working here.

What's next?

- **Matin Intercultural Café**, in December (date and place to be confirmed)
- Monthly intercultural gatherings in French
- Family activities and workshops for newcomers

We look forward to working with TDSL members!

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