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Parc historique de la
Pointe-du-Moulin
Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot



Historic Windmill reopens to the public.

New light and sound historical show.

Notre-Dame-de-l'Île-Perrot, May 11, 2022 – To mark the beginning of the festivities for the 350th anniversary of Île Perrot, the Parc historique de la Pointe-du-Moulin, owned by SODEC, and the Société d'histoire et de généalogie de l'Île Perrot are joining forces to host activities at the windmill and the information centre starting Sunday, May 22 2022.

Recently renovated by SODEC, the windmill reopens its doors to visitors for guided tours starting from 10 a.m. every Sunday. Built by master mason Jean Mars and master carpenter Léonard Paillé (pronounced(?) Paillard in 1707 and 1708, the windmill is one of only two still active from the New France era. Visitors will also be able to watch the roof turn as the miller lines up the wings into the wind.

The information centre will project a brand new light and sound show, « *L'Île Perrot animée par la mémoire collective* ». This 20-minute performance takes visitors on a 350 year journey of the history of Île Perrot guided by the lord Françoise Cuillier and illustrated with short stories linked to various locales and characters of the island.

The show, « *L'Île Perrot animée par la mémoire collective*, » was produced thanks to a partnership between the Société de développement du Parc historique de la Pointe-du-Moulin and the Société d'histoire et de généalogie de l'Île Perrot. The project received financial support from the Government of Canada's New Horizons for Seniors Program, Tourisme Montérégie and the Caisse Desjardins de Vaudreuil-Soulanges. The screenplay was written by author Lise Chartier with the participation of members of the Société d'histoire et de généalogie de l'Île Perrot and students from the Arts-études program at École secondaire du Chêne-Bleu. Daniel Bertolino of Via Le monde made the recording. Sound animation was voiced by Catherine Viau and Sébastien Roy and his team at Miroar designed the projections and animations.

Guided tours of the windmill and the show "*L'Île Perrot animé par la mémoire collective*" will continue throughout the summer at Parc historique de la Pointe-du-Moulin. For schedules, consult the park's [website](#).

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