



WHAT'S NEW

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O'BRIEN HOUSE

In spring 2026, O'Brien House will open its doors in the heart of Gatineau Park. This 11-room heritage boutique hotel combines Canadian charm and an intimate atmosphere with spectacular views of Meech Lake. A true nature retreat, the establishment will also offer an outdoor spa starting in fall 2026 and a restaurant showcasing local flavours with hearty and refined brunches. Hiking, swimming, historic sites, and the village of Chelsea: everything is within walking distance to extend the experience.

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DOMAINE LOCKBØW (REG. 628318)

Nestled in a private forest in Lac-Simon, Domaine Lockbøw offers unique accommodations where nature and design elegantly come together. Bordered by the Petite-Nation River and Lockbow Falls, the site invites you to choose between cozy, minimalist Scandinavian-inspired cottages or a rustic camping experience in the heart of the forest. Private trails, breathtaking views, and absolute tranquility complete the experience. A true refuge to slow down, unwind, and savor the raw beauty of the Outaouais.

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**DOMAINE DU LAC DES LOUPS
(REG. 321932, 322015)**

Nestled in the hills of La Pêche, *Domaine du Lac des Loups* offers two lakeside cottages surrounded by forest. Here, you can slow down and breathe in the calm. Peaceful mornings by the water, wildlife watching, evenings around the fire, and soothing panoramic views make up your stay. In any season, this address nestled in a little corner of paradise appeals to families and nature lovers alike who are looking for an authentic getaway. It's an ideal refuge for reconnecting with what matters most in a preserved natural setting.

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HOM MINI CHALETS (REG. 298559)

HOM Mini chalets continues its commitment to sustainable tourism with the complete renovation of its first two chalets, built in 2018. The project includes the installation of WaterSense-certified faucets that save up to 40% water, the use of natural materials such as linen for textiles, and collaboration with local artisans, including cabinetmaker *Danou et Tungstène Luminaires* for custom-made energy-efficient lighting. A new functional wooden island, redesigned lighting, and a complete refresh of the spaces: enhanced comfort, designed with efficiency and respect for the environment in mind.

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ORIGINE AVENTURE (REG. 628159)

Origine Aventure will soon be expanding its offering with the development of two to three new rustic campsites in the heart of the forest. Complementing the existing site on the banks of the Saint-Sixte River, these locations will offer an even more intimate immersion in a preserved natural environment. Sleep under the canopy, let yourself be lulled by the sounds of the forest, and enjoy a simple and authentic experience. An ideal getaway for outdoor enthusiasts seeking tranquility, adventure, and a connection with nature.

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CAMPING IN GATINEAU PARK (REG. 205715)

Camping du Lac Philippe kicks off its season from June 12 to October 12, 2026, with an enhanced and redesigned offering to enrich the camping experience. Modernized to reduce its environmental footprint, the site welcomes ten new mini cottages, including one that is universally accessible, more tent platforms, and nearly 30 sites with electricity and drinking water. Enjoy renovated common facilities, a modernized convenience store, and improved signage. Choose from over 275 campsites designed to suit a wide variety of campers, in the heart of Gatineau Park.

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PARC RÉGIONAL DE CHAMPBOISÉ

Try a different kind of paddling this summer with a brand-new Lièvre River's certified *Route Bleue* circuit. In calm waters, choose a 16.6 km linear route for a sustained outing or opt for a 8 km round trip, perfect for an accessible getaway. Take the opportunity to stop at *Parc régional de Champboisé* and discover the *Sentier des Arts*, an open-air museum where a dozen monumental sculptures dot the landscape. In collaboration with the *Corporation plein air de la Lièvre*, shuttle service and boat rentals are available.

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NORDIK SPA VILLAGE CHELSEA

Disconnect to reconnect. In a hyperconnected world, Nordik Spa Village Chelsea stands out as a true tech-free refuge, where time resumes its natural rhythm. Here, forget about screens and enjoy the whisper of nature, rich exchanges, and inner calm. On the thermotherapy side, discover the new immersive steam sauna in the Boréa section, which joins the one in Kaskad and the eight dry saunas for a reinvented steam experience.

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CENTRE VORLAGE

On June 21, *Centre Vorlage* will host the OG Classique, the only UCI Gravel race of this caliber in North America; an international event that puts the Outaouais region on the world cycling scene! Three distances—34 km, 75 km, or 124 km—wind through a spectacular route combining gravel and asphalt, including challenging climbs: 20% on the *Lac Ste-Marie* course, 15% on Paugan, and the legendary Newcommon hill. The best in each age group—including podium finishers and up to 25% of participants—will earn a spot at the 2026 UCI Gravel World Championships in Australia.

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MONTEBELLO MOUNTAIN BIKE

Get ready to push your limits! Starting this summer, several kilometres of new trails will be added to the Montebello Mountain Biking network, significantly enhancing the quality of the experience and positioning the destination among Quebec's must-see mountain biking spots. A new paved pump track will also be built in the spring/early summer, perfect for honing your technique. For the 2026 summer season, a full fleet of electric bikes and high-end bikes will be available for rent.

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CORONATION HALL

On Route 148, in the heart of the Pontiac, van life enthusiasts will find several welcoming RV stops where they can park for the night between Bristol, Shawville, Campbell's Bay, and Fort-Coulonge. Coronation Hall proudly joins this gourmet circuit by becoming a new official stop. Take the opportunity to enjoy apple cider tastings and discover the shop offering homemade apple products. Complete your stopover by exploring local shops and let yourself be charmed by the warm welcome and authenticity of the Pontiac.

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PARC OMEGA – OMEGABON RESTAURANT

Parc Omega unveils OmegaBon – Immersive Experience, a brand new concept where gastronomy meets wilderness. Thanks to spectacular windows overlooking the habitat of bears and arctic foxes, including a privileged view of the bears' den, every meal becomes an unforgettable moment. Located on the shores of Bird Lake, the restaurant offers refined, multicultural-inspired cuisine that showcases local and seasonal products with boreal notes. Gather with family or friends and enjoy an extraordinary gourmet experience.

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BABINE – TARTES ET CRÈME GLACÉE

In 2026, Babine establishes itself as the Outaouais region's must-visit gourmet destination. A new production facility opens in L'Ange-Gardien, where its artisanal pies will be available 12 months a year. From the crust to the filling, everything is made from raw, local ingredients: natural fruit, wild blueberries processed on site, hand-peeled Quebec apples, and pure maple syrup from Érablière Lefebvre in Bowman. At the Val-des-Bois location, two new sculptures by Yves Willard, carved from white pine trees from their woodlot, will be added to the existing works, giving these majestic trees a second life.

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CENTRE D'ART POPULAIRE DU QUÉBEC

This summer, the *Centre d'art populaire du Québec* offers a creative immersion between heritage and imagination. Discover *La Cabane à Geral*, an installation that revisits the sugar mold in playful and surprising sculptural works. The *Club des Massigosseux's Canot Cups* exhibition showcases these wooden cups carved from tree burls, a legacy of the voyageurs of yesteryear. As soon as you enter, let yourself be surprised by *Cherche et trouve dans la Forêt enchantée*, an immersive journey by Yvon Parent where young and old alike set off to discover hidden creatures.

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FESTIVAL L'OUTAOUAIS EN FÊTE

Since 1976, *L'Outaouais en fête* has been celebrating French-language music and arts in a spirit of unity and accessibility. From June 19 to 24, 2026 (except June 22), the festival will mark its 50th anniversary at *Parc des Cèdres* in Aylmer, on the beachfront. This major anniversary edition will feature an enhanced program bringing together more than 50 recognized and emerging French-speaking artists. Carousels, cultural activities, family activities, and an enriched gourmet component will complete this immersive experience where music and festivities come together.

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CANADIAN MUSEUM OF NATURE

On May 15, 2026, the Canadian Museum of Nature launches the vibrant Wild Colour exhibition presented for the first time in Ottawa. Until January 10, 2027, this sensory immersion explores the beauty and science of colours in the natural world through 200 specimens, sound recordings, and multicoloured spaces. Discover how plants and animals use colour to communicate, attract mates, or warn others—from the flamboyant red of coral snakes to the subtle yellow of the American bittern. A captivating exhibition where visual art and biology meet.

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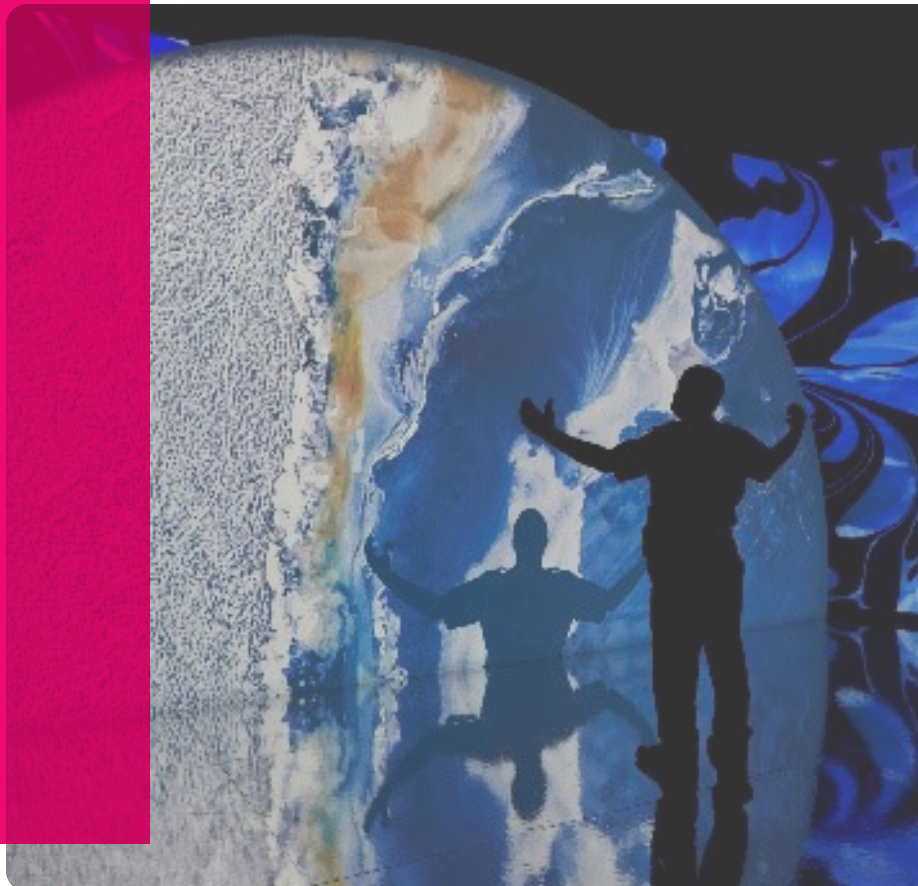
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BANK OF CANADA MUSEUM

In the summer of 2026, the Bank of Canada Museum invites the public to rediscover one of the defining moments in Canadian history through Montreal 1976: The Story of the Olympic Games in Coins. Running from May 14, 2026, to March 22, 2027, this exhibition highlights the country's first series of commemorative coins, created to help fund the Games. Now considered works of art, they reflect bold design, economic ingenuity, and national pride. All activities and admission to the Museum are free.

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