

## **Welcome to the 2013 Christie Bike Ride!**

**These maps & directions will keep you on the right track throughout the ride. When in doubt, follow the bike path!  
If you get lost, break down or have an injury, call Katie at 514-926-2588 or Guillaume at 514-649-2109.**

### **Leg 1: Faculty of Law to the Lachine Canal**

1. Beginning at the Faculty of Law, turn right (south) to follow Peel all the way down the hill.
2. Continue south down peel street and turn right (west) just beyond rue Smith onto the bike path.
3. At the west side of the locks, cross over to the south side of the Lachine Canal. Continue following the bike path which will eventually lead you back to the north side of the Lachine Canal via a bridge a few minutes beyond the Atwater Market at rue Beaudoin. If you miss this bridge there is another crossing further West along the canal.

### **Leg 2: Lachine Canal**

5. Continue along the North side of the Lachine canal, following the bike path the entire way.
6. You will eventually reach red train cars displayed by the canal. Here, follow the bike path as it turns left (south) to cross back over to the south side of the Lachine Canal.

### **Leg 3: Parc René Lévesque**

7. You will enter Lachine at the intersection of Chemin du Canal and Chemin du Musée. Continue straight (west), continuing to follow the canal. This will lead you out to Parc René Lévesque, a peninsula with a lovely view of the St Lawrence (and washrooms!). Follow the bike path as it loops through the park.
8. At the end of the loop, the bike path leads you back to the intersection of Chemin du Canal and Chemin du Musée. This time, turn right (south) to follow the bike path through a park.

### **Leg 4: LaSalle to Parc des Rapids & Lunch**

9. Continue following the bike path. At Excursions Rapides de la Chine stay right (i.e. following the St. Lawrence river).

10. If it is nice out, stop for lunch where there are washrooms and a sign for the Pôle des Rapides (roughly km 25). You should see plenty of us gathering! If it is raining, we will continue a little further to a large covered pavilion with red metal picnic tables (roughly km 28).
11. There is a cute little ice cream shop called Crème Café at #1 Avenue 8. It's not an obligatory stop. Just sayin' :)

#### **Leg 5: Crossing Verdun and returning to the canal**

12. After lunch, continue East along the bike path toward Montreal. Once you reach École secondaire de Monseigneur Richard/Centre de formation professionnelle de Verdun take a right at Boul Gaétan Laberge (east) following the bike path. Almost immediately after turning East you will reach the intersection of Rue Gilbert-Dubé. At this intersection cross Boul Gaétan Laberge and follow the bike path along rue Gilberte-Dubé north toward Montreal.
13. At the intersection of Boul Lasalle and rue Henri Duhamel turn right onto Boul Lasalle and continue to rue Saint Charles.
14. At rue Saint Charles turn left and follow the bike path to rue Thomas-Keefer. Turn right and cross rue St-Patrick to rejoin the Lachine canal bike path. Turn right onto the bike path (do not cross the canal) and continue East.

#### **Leg 6: Lachine Canal to the Concorde Bridge**

15. At the West side of the locks cross to the North side of the canal. Immediately re-cross the canal at the East side of the locks. Keep following the bike path as it veers right to pass by Peel basin. Continue below the underpasses through Cité du Havre and past Habitat 67 on the right.
16. Ride on the Concorde bridge until you reach a pedestrian and bicycle off-ramp on the left hand side. This is marked by a yellow warning sign indicating an incline. Ride down this ramp to reach Ile Sainte-Hélène.
17. At the base of the ramp make a right and then another right to arrive at Chemin MacDonald.

#### **Leg 7: Ile Sainte Hélène to Pont Jacques Cartier**

18. Follow the bike path along Chemin MacDonald past the Cosmos Bridge on your right. If you feel energetic, explore the network of paths and trails on the island.
19. Continue to follow the bike path until you come to a hill. Turn left (north) to go up the hill (sorry). There are several intersections/forks as you go up the hill. Follow the primary road/go straight following signs for Rive Sud (we know - it's counterintuitive, but it will help you avoid carrying your bike up the stairs!). This will bring you to the Jacques Cartier bridge. Be careful to look for traffic as you turn left (north) on the bridge to head back towards downtown Montreal. Enjoy the fantastic view!

#### **Leg 8: Pont Jacques Cartier to Parc Lafontaine**

20. Follow the bike path as it bends left (west) as you come off the bridge. At the intersection of Papineau (a major one-way street heading south) and Rue la Fontaine turn left (west) onto Rue la Fontaine.
21. Follow Rue la Fontaine four blocks before turning right (north) onto Rue Panet. Follow Rue Panet up the hill and across Sherbrooke into Parc Lafontaine.
22. Meet us in the Park & celebrate your victory!! You have completed the 2014 Christie Bike Ride!!!

#### **Leg 9 (Optional): Parc Lafontaine to JR**

23. Follow the bike paths through the park until you reach Rue Rachel. Turn left (west) to follow the bike path up Rachel to JR (201 rue Rachel E).