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Conference location

Tanna Schulich Recital Hall
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1 Getting around in Montreal

1.1 Transportation options from the airport

Montréal Trudeau International Airport (previously named Dorval International Airport) is served by taxi and limosine, a shuttle bus service called the Aérobus, and city buses.

Taxi and Limosine Taxis and limosines are available just outside the terminal. Both can be paid for with Canadian cash, or by credit card (Visa, Mastercard, or American Express). American funds are also accepted by some drivers. The cost to downtown is \$35 by taxi and \$50 by limosine; travel time is 25 minutes.

Aérobús The Aérobus is a shuttle service from the airport to Montréal's central bus station, at the Berri-UQAM metro. Tickets can be purchased at a counter within the terminal or at a booth outside. Departures are roughly every half-hour. The cost is \$13 and travel time is 40 minutes.

City Bus Travelling to downtown by city bus is the cheapest option, but also the most time consuming. It is not recommended for delegates with lots of luggage! Bus 204 departs from the airport every half hour and should be taken to the Dorval train station. Be sure to ask the driver for a transfer ticket. From there, transfer to bus route 211 and take it to the Lionel-Groulx metro station. Lionel-Groulx is a short ride from downtown. The cost is \$2.50, which must be in exact change, and travel time is about 60 minutes.



(a) The Montreal metro system



(b) Top: The Union St. exit of the McGill metro. Bottom: View from just outside the metro

Figure 1: Metro system and the Schulich School of Music

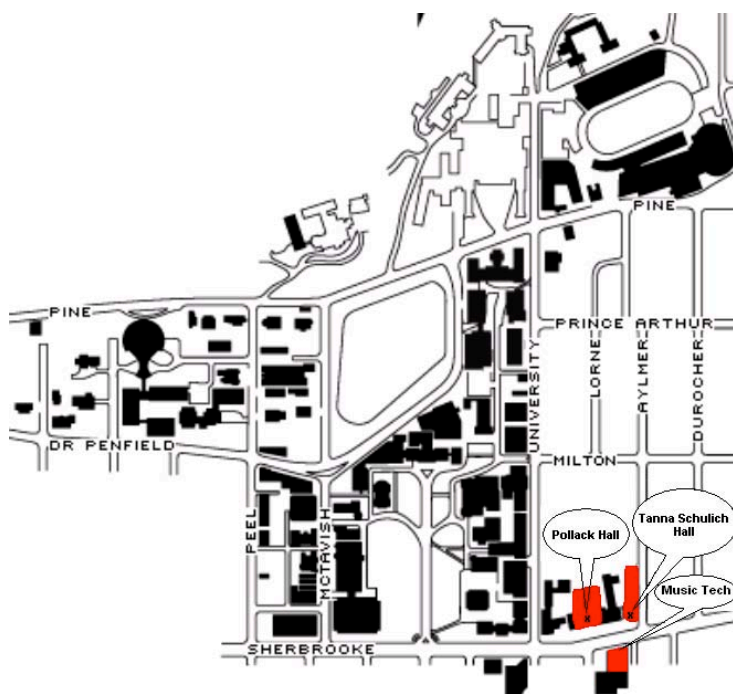
1.2 Directions to the Schulich School of Music

The Schulich School of Music (see 2(a)) is easily accessible by public transit. Delegates staying close to Sherbrooke should take the route 24 bus, while those further afield may find the metro more convenient.

By Bus Route 24 runs along Sherbrooke and stops at the Schulich School of Music. Delegates should disembark at Aylmer Street. Fare is \$2.50 and must be in exact change. Service is frequent (every 10 minutes) during the morning rush hour, though waits may be longer at other times.

By Metro The Schulich School of Music is located at the McGill metro station (see 1(a)). Take the Union St. exit (see 1(b) top), turn right, and walk north for two blocks to Sherbrooke St. (see 1(b) bottom).

A map of the McGill campus showing event locations is provided in Fig. 2(a).



(a) The McGill Campus



(b) The (older) Strathcona Music Building is on the left. The New Music Building is on the right.

Figure 2: The McGill Campus and a view of the Schulich School of Music main buildings

1.3 Downtown Montreal: hotels and the banquet location

The map in Fig. 3 shows the locations of the Schulich School of Music, the Pointe-à-Callières museum (for the banquet) and the hotels proposed on the DAFx-06 website.

2 Conference

2.1 Registration

The registration desk is located in the foyer of the New Music Building. To accommodate early arrivals it will be manned from 14:00 to 18:00 on Sunday, Sept 17th, and as well as from 7:30 onward on Monday, Sept 18th. During the rest of the conference it will be open from 8:00 until the end of the second afternoon session. It can be directly contacted at: (+1) 514-398-6075.

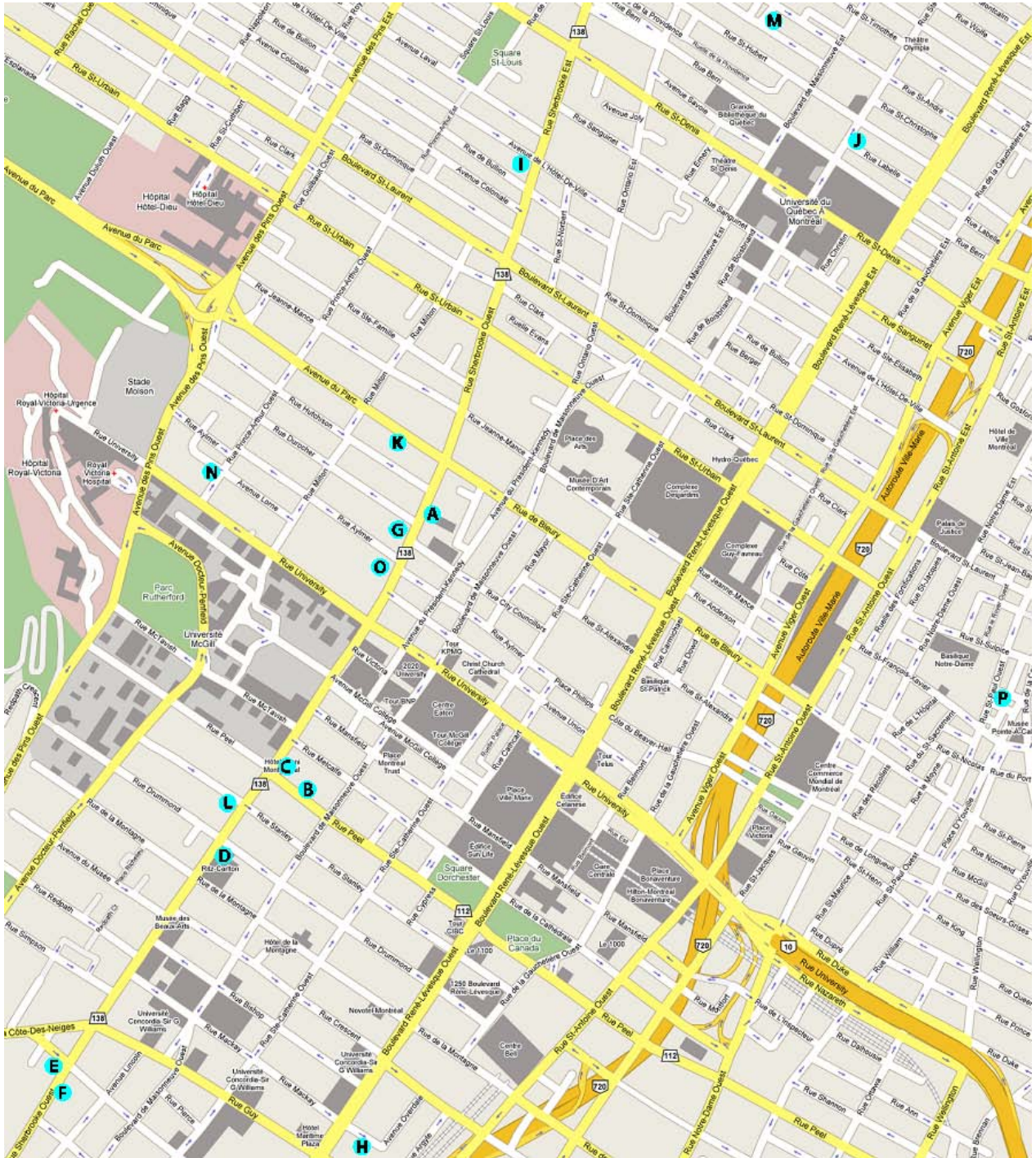


Figure 3: City map including the Schulich School of Music (0), the Pointe-à-Callières museum (P) and surrounding hotels as follows:

Hotels: (A) Holiday Inn Midtown-Montreal, (B) Marriott Residence Inn Montreal, (C) Hotel Omni Mont-Royal, (D) Ritz-Carlton Montréal, (E) Château Versailles, (F) Meridien Versailles-Montréal, (G) Four Points Sheraton.

Hostels: (H) Montreal Auberge Jeunesse, (I) Le Gîte du Plateau Mont-Royal, (J) Utopik.

Other hotels: (K) Quality Hotel Downtown.

Bed and breakfasts: (L) Manoir Ambrose, (M) A l'Adresse du Centre-Ville, (N) University Bed and Breakfast.

2.2 Event locations

Event	Date	Location	Address
Conference	Sept 18–20	Tanna Schulich Recital Hall (see Fig. 2)	New Music Building, 527 Sherbrooke St. W
Music Tech. area tour	Sept 18, 17:30–18:30	Music Technology Suite	550 Sherbrooke Str. W, east tower, suite 500
Concert	Sept 18, 20:00–21:00	Pollack Concert Hall (see Fig. 2)	Strathcona Music Building, 555 Sherbrooke St. W
Banquet	Sept 19, 19:30–23:00	'L'Arrivage' Restaurant (see Fig. 3)	Pointe-a-Callieres museum, 350 Place Royale

2.3 Typical program

Each day of the program will follow the same basic schedule, outlined below. Note that the registration desk will open a half hour earlier on Monday (see above), and that the second afternoon session will finish at 17:20 on Tuesday, Sept 19th.

08:00	Registration desk opens
09:00 – 10:00	Keynote
10:00 – 11:00	Session
11:00 – 11:20	Coffee/tea break
11:20 – 12:20	Session
12:20 – 14:20	Lunch & poster session
14:20 – 15:40	Session
15:40 – 16:00	Coffee/tea break
16:00 – 17:00	Session
19:30 / 20:00	Social event: concert / banquet

2.4 Non-DAFx related free events

In case you need more music and science during your stay, give these three events a try:

Mid-autumn Harvest Moon Festival III, Sept. 20–22, 2006 (Concordia University). Electronic sound art event at Concordia University. Five concerts of multi-channel works (4 to 8.1) from four continents, possibly with a special surprise! Free, except possibly the 'surprise' event.

CONSONNES Talk by Philippe Guillemain, Thursday Sept. 21, 2006, 11:00–12:00 (Music Technology, Room 521, Suite 500, 5th Floor, East Tower, 550 Sherbrooke West). *Title: On the role of the vocal tract in clarinet breath attacks: Natural sounds analysis and model-based synthesis*

CIRMMT Distinguished Lecture by Antoine Chaigne, Thursday Sept. 21, 2006, 16:30–18:00 (Clara Lichtenstein, Schulich School of Music, Room C-209, 555 Sherbrooke Street West), *Title: Dimensional Analysis and Psychomechanics*

2.5 Dining and drinking downtown

2.5.1 ATMs / Cash Points

Automated Teller Machines (*guichets automatiques*) are plentiful in banks and convenience stores (*dépanneurs*) downtown. Fig. 4 shows a few nearby which all accept VISA, Mastercard, and American Express.

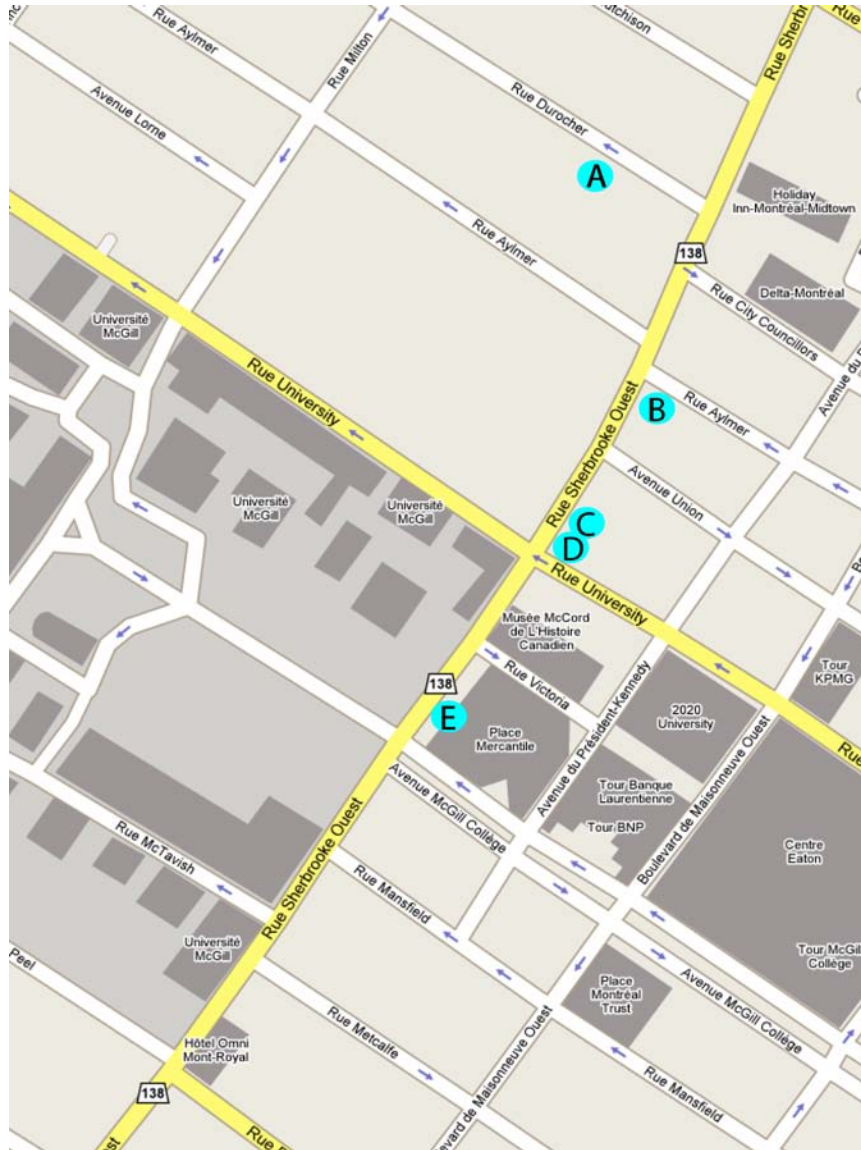


Figure 4: ATMs near the Schulich School of Music

(A) 3440 Rue Durocher (*Dépanneur*), (B) 550 Sherbrooke St. West (*Office tower, in basement*), (C) 666 Sherbrooke St. West (*Euro-Forex Money Exchange / Bureau de change*), (D) 666 Sherbrooke St. West (2 ATMs: one in “*Tabagie McGill Dépanneur*”, one in “*Basha restaurant*” below *Tim Hortons*), (E) 770 Sherbrooke St. West (*Bank*)

2.5.2 Restaurants

The following restaurants are all within a 5–10 minute walk of the conference and are suitable for quick meals.

Maison du Jazz 2060 Alymer St. (corner of President Kennedy) , 514-842-8656

Price range: \$15 - \$30. Features live jazz performances. BBQ and steakhouse

L'Etranger 680 Sainte-Catherine W. (corner of University), 514-932-9016

Price range: \$10 - \$20. Varied menu with a wide variety of sandwiches

Note that the entrance is below street level.

Cafe Imagination 330 Sherbrooke St. W (corner of Avenue du Parc). 514-985-5888

Price range:\$10-\$15. Sandwiches, lighter fare

Sushi Ogura 2025 Aylmer St. (corner of President Kennedy) , 514-847-9000

Price range:\$15-\$30. Japanese, Sushi

Asha 3490 Avenue du Parc (corner of Milton), 514-844-3178

Price range:\$15-\$30. Indian

Lola Rosa's 525 Milton (corner of Aylmer), 514-287-9337

Price range:\$10-\$20. Vegetarian

2.5.3 Coffee shops

Cafe Supreme 600 President Kennedy (corner of Union), 514-842-6099

Good espresso and Wi-Fi access

Tim Hortons 674 Sherbrooke St. W (corner of University), 514-286-0404

Canada's most popular coffee and donut shop, founded by a professional hockey player

2.5.4 Bars

Benelux 245 Sherbrooke W. (corner of Jeanne-Mance), 514-543-9750

A newly opened microbrewery

Trois Brasseurs 732 Sainte-Catherine St. W (corner of University), 514-788-6333

Microbrewery chain with a warm ambiance

3 Making the most of Montréal

If you plan to arrive prior to the beginning, or stay past the end of the conference, allow us to suggest a few ways to make the most of your time in Montréal.

For more ideas, visit the *Infotouriste* center located at 1001 Square-Dorchester Street (corner of Peel and St. Catherine's) near the Peel metro. The center can be reached by phone at 514-873-2015.

3.1 Places to stroll

Prince Arthur and St. Louis Square Prince Arthur Street, between St. Laurent and St. Denis, is a quaint pedestrian zone filled with buskers and 'bring your own wine' restaurants. The nearby St. Louis Square is a charming corner of the city.

St. Denis from St. Louis Square to St. Catherine's This stretch of St. Denis Street displays mid 19th century Victorian architecture in an area which has historically been the commercial center of French Montréal. It abounds with cafés, bars, bistros and restaurants.

3.2 Parks

From a European perspective Montréal is a very green city. Many of our tree-lined streets lead to easily accessible parks.

Parc du Mount-Royal Atop the mountain from which the city takes its name, the Mount Royal Park was designed in the late 19th century by Frederick Law Olmstead. Olmstead, the famous American landscape architect, was also responsible for New York's Central Park. The lookout from the *chalet du montagne* offers an impressive view of the city. Walking trails begin at the top of Peel Street and in the Jeanne-Mance Park (Parc Avenue between Duluth and Mont-Royal), though, for the less athletically inclined, the park is also accessible by the route 11 bus leaving from the Mount-Royal metro.

Parc Jean-Drapeau Located in the middle of the St. Lawrence River, Parc Jean-Drapeau consists of the islands of Sainte-Hélène and Notre-Dame, which hosted Expo '67. A mosaic of water and green space with diverse attractions and events, the park is accessible by metro, at the Jean-Drapeau station.

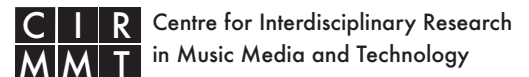
3.3 Shopping areas

St. Catherine's Street St. Catherine's is Montréal's bustling central commercial district, reputed to support 1200 shops between Guy and St. Denis streets. Many popular fashion boutiques lie on this strip. The Eaton center, at University Street, is an indoor complex home to 175 shops and restaurants.

St. Laurent Boulevard Nicknamed 'the main', and historically the meeting place between French and English Montréal, St. Laurent now offers a trendy mix of unique shops, great restaurants, and vibrant nightlife.

4 Credits

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5 Emergency Procedures

In case of emergency:

On campus Campus security can be reached at extension **3000**.

Off campus For ambulance, police or fire department services, dial **911**.

On hearing the fire alarm Exit the building immediately using the closest emergency exit. Do not go to any other part of the building for any reason. Do not stop to collect possessions.