

Métis-sur-Montréal 2014

Itinerant Pods by North Design Office

Montréal, July 3, 2014 – As part of the 6th edition of *Métis-sur-Montréal*, the **Château Ramezay – Historic Site and Museum of Montréal** and **Reford Gardens** present *Itinerant Pods*. This installation created by North Design Office invites you to rest and leisure in the peaceful *décor* of the place De La Dauversière from July 3 to October 13, 2014.



Itinerant Pods evokes a herd gathered in a pasture in the heart of Montréal's historic district. These futuristic beasts seem to be lumbering across the site. Their gentle presence encourages passers-by to pause for a moment and appreciate the green oasis around them. Over the seasons, the installation intensifies the connection to surrounding elements through a play of shadows, textures and reflections. The installation becomes an ideal place for

conversation, a meditative stroll, a picnic with friends or a festive celebration.

Founded by Pete and Alissa North, **North Design Office** is a landscape architecture, urbanism and design firm established in Toronto in 2005. Starting from a profound understanding of space, context and community, the firm designs urban environments that have garnered it several prizes across Canada and the United States.

The free installation *Itinerant Pods* runs from July 3 to October 13 on Place De La Dauversière between the Château Ramezay and Place Jacques-Cartier, across from Montréal's City Hall. While you are there, visit the exhibition *The History of Public Markets in Montréal*, presented in the same location.

Reford Gardens, located at the beginning of the Gaspé Peninsula, along the majestic St. Lawrence River, was recently classified a historic monument by the Québec government. It features some 3000 species and varieties of plants in addition to 25 contemporary gardens from the 14th International Garden Festival. Reford Gardens is renowned for its wonderful marriage of horticulture and gastronomy. For more information, visit www.refordgardens.com.

The Château Ramezay – Historic Site and Museum of Montréal, a non-profit organization, safeguards and makes accessible a collection that reflects and attests to the history of Montréal and Québec. It was the first building in Québec to be classified an historic monument and is the province's oldest private historical museum. Visit our website: chateauramezay.qc.ca

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