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Our Work Continues

Labour Day often marks a return to routine, but it can also be a moment to reflect on the kind of work that truly shapes the future.

For Maison WILOH, September brings us back to the conversations, planning, and shared responsibility at the heart of this project. As families look ahead to a new season, we are reminded that building an inclusive home and respite centre requires patience, collaboration, and the steady commitment of people who believe this work matters.

As we enter the fall, we look forward to reconnecting, sharing upcoming opportunities, and continuing the important work of bringing Maison WILOH closer to reality.

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AN EVENING OF ART, INCLUSION & COMMUNITY







On August 11th, more than 70 community members gathered for a special vernissage celebrating creativity, inclusion and belonging while recognizing the many talents and abilities of people with disabilities.

Made possible through the incredible support of **Victor Rose Café,** and **artist Peter Hart,** the evening featured a collaborative exhibition sharing Peter's work alongside some of Maison WILOH's budding artists. The art display continued throughout the month, giving the wider community an opportunity to experience the artists' unique perspectives and learn more about Maison WILOH's mission and vision.

We were delighted to have welcomed community members, leaders, representatives from location organizations, friends, families and supporters who joined us to celebrate the artists and their work.

Our heartfelt appreciation goes to **Terry of Victor Rose Café**, **artist Peter Hart and the Peter W. Hart Gallery** family for helping bring out the hidden talents, confidence and unique perspective of each individual.

Many thanks to **Lucia Griffin Photography** for capturing the essence of this special evening, **Marlene** for providing the catering and **Fig Fleurs** for the beautiful flowers.

We are especially thankful to Peter Hart for generously donating his artwork, '*Transposing Joy No. 10 - Maison WILOH*' in support of our mission. It truly takes a village to create meaningful moments like this. The generosity, encouragement and presence of our community brought such warmth to the evening. As Maison WILOH continues to build awareness and work towards creating an inclusive

housing project, the community support is essential. **Together, we are building a place where everyone belongs.**

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Joel's Special Olympics Adventure



From August 11 to 15, Joel participated in the Special Olympics Canada Summer Games 2026 in Medicine Hat, Alberta.

The adventure began early on Sunday, August 9, when the athletes flew to Calgary before continuing to Medicine Hat. Most were accommodated in hotels close to the competition venues.

For Joel, this was much more than a sporting event—it was a wonderful adventure. All his clothing and equipment had been carefully planned and prepared. Wearing the mandated blue T-shirt, pants and cap of Special Olympics Québec, he proudly joined the easily identifiable delegation of more than 100 Quebec athletes.

The hospitality in Medicine Hat was phenomenal. The people of this lovely community were well aware of the Games and welcomed everyone with open arms. Athletes, coaches, officials and visiting families arrived from across the country, bringing tremendous energy and excitement to the city.

Larger than I had anticipated, Medicine Hat is a beautiful community situated on land carved by the South Saskatchewan River and surrounded by the magnificent prairie landscape.

At the Special Olympics, every athlete is a winner. Regardless of the outcome of each competition, the Games are designed to foster a genuine sense of accomplishment. They recognize the effort, determination and dedication of every athlete, whatever their abilities.

Special Olympics brings tremendous pride to those who participate. It is an exceptional organization that provides athletes with opportunities to develop their skills, build friendships, gain independence and discover just how much they can achieve. Beyond competition, it promotes inclusion, respect and a true sense of belonging.

Joel returned home with his head held high, his heart filled with pride and renewed self-confidence—and his broad smile was the best proof of all.

Our heartfelt thanks go to the coaches, organizers and volunteers whose dedication made this unforgettable experience possible. They deserve our deepest appreciation.

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Welcome in the New Season with a CTC Gathering

As the warm, sun-soaked days of summer gently fade into crisp autumn breezes, it's time to kick off a fresh new season together! What better way to bid adieu to the last day of summer and

welcome in autumn than by catching up with great friends and lively conversation?

Date: Monday, September 21st

Time: 9:30 AM

Location: Kirkland (Specific home address will be sent in a follow-up email to members of Maison WILOH!)

Come enjoy a hot cup of coffee or tea with us—and if you feel like bringing a small treat to pass around, you're more than welcome!

- Irena, Sofia, Veronica

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Upcoming Events

As Maison WILOH continues to build connections within the community, we are grateful to support and take part in events that reflect the values at the heart of our mission.

These upcoming initiatives bring people together through awareness, generosity, inclusion, and community spirit. Each one offers an opportunity to strengthen relationships, support meaningful causes, and continue building momentum around the future we are working toward.

Friday, September 11th 2026 - West-Island Community Shares Partage-Action 10th Annual Community Breakfast! - 3 Brasseurs Pointe-Claire from 7:30 A.M. to 9:30 A.M.

September 25–27 - Kinkorapalooza Festival Weekend - Camp Kinkora's centennial fundraising festival.

Monday September 28 - WIAIH 32nd Annual Golf Tournament, at the Summerlea Golf & Country Club

Monday October 5 - Summit School's 13th Annual Golf Tournament, at Golf Saint-Raphaël

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Maison Wiloh Has a New Corporate Address

Every step brings us closer to making our vision a reality. It is therefore with great pleasure that we announce that Maison WILOH now has a new corporate address:

Maison WILOH
114 Donegani Avenue
Pointe-Claire, QC H9R 2V4

This address will serve as Maison WILOH's official corporate address until our future home for adults with intellectual disabilities and/or autism is built and welcomes its first residents. While our activities continue to take place throughout the community, this new address provides us with an official administrative home for our correspondence and corporate needs.

The Board of Directors would like to express its sincere appreciation to the **CRC – Centre de Ressources Communautaires de l'Ouest-de-l'Île** and its Executive Director, **Katie Hadler**, for their generous support in making this possible. Located in the historic former Valois train station, the CRC plays a vital role in connecting, supporting, and promoting community organizations across the West Island. Their confidence in Maison WILOH reflects the spirit of collaboration that makes our community stronger and helps projects like ours move forward.

We also extend our heartfelt thanks to **SAIM – Service d'adaptation et d'intégration de Montréal**. For the past four years, SAIM has generously provided Maison WILOH with the use of its St. Patrick Street address as our corporate mailing address. Their decades-long commitment to supporting individuals with special needs has made a lasting impact on our community, and their support during Maison WILOH's formative years has been invaluable. We are deeply grateful for their partnership.

Our sincere thanks also go to **Blair Tisshaw**, **Gary Whittaker**, **Ron Creary**, and everyone whose generosity and commitment help create opportunities for innovative community organizations like Maison WILOH to grow and thrive.

While our address has changed, our mission remains stronger than ever. Every new partnership, every act of support, and every milestone achieved brings us closer to the day when Maison WILOH will open its doors and provide adults with special needs a true place

to call home—a community where they can live with dignity, build independence, and experience a genuine sense of belonging.

Thank you for being part of this journey. Together, we are building a more inclusive future.

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Missed our August **newsletter** and updates?
You're not alone, but we've made it easy to catch up.

Our **previous editions are now available on our website**, offering insights into our mission, community highlights, and the conversations shaping inclusive housing for neurodivergent adults.

Take a moment to explore, revisit, and share the stories that continue to move Maison WILOH forward.

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