



Montréal, September 27, 2022 – Looking for an Outdoor Activity for Children this Fall? **The Château Ramezay – Historic Site and Museum of Montréal** invites young and old to discover the world of squash with **Pick a Peck of Pumpkins**, a one-month outdoor exhibition presented **free of charge** in the Governor’s Garden, **from October 1st to November 6th**.

While the children are off exploring, discover multiple uses for squash by going through the paths in the Governor's Garden. Every year, pumpkins dominate autumn, sometimes overshadowing humbler members of the squash family, which have many everyday uses. Look for squash not only at mealtimes, but in beauty products and as percussion instruments and decorative items. Cultivated for over 5,000 years, squash are now native to every continent.

Two activities

The **4 to 7-year-olds** will meet Reddy, a friendly little pumpkin, and his numerous cousins. The free activity booklet will send them on a mission to find a mystery word by picking up hints throughout their visit. Cucumbers, zucchinis and patty-pan squash will come together to help the young botanists fulfill their quest. A surprise will await those who succeed!

Through a series of silly questions, the **8 to 12-year-olds** will test their knowledge on the cucurbit family! They are sure to be surprised by this unusual theme! It should take your tweens 20-30 minutes to find the “key” that will grant them a surprise from the Château’s welcome desk!

Download and print the activity booklet before your visit. Go to:

<https://www.chateauramezay.qc.ca/en/activities/activities-and-lectures/#pickapeckofpumpkins>

Don't forget your pencils !

The Pick a Peck of Pumpkins exhibition originated at the Musée-conservatoire ethnologique de Haute-Provence, Prieuré de Salagon.



About

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 Quebec. It was the first building in Quebec to be classified an historic monument and is the province’s oldest private historical museum. Visit our website www.chateauramezay.qc.ca or Facebook page www.facebook.com/Chateau.Ramezay.

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