

The Guy Langlois Prize for Innovation

In honour of a leisure organization that has demonstrated innovative methods in promoting leisure activity among disabled persons on the island of Montreal.

Why was it established?

The Guy Langlois Prize is awarded to an organization demonstrating awareness and insight as to the needs of persons with disabilities, and which has translated that awareness into action on their behalf. The organization so honoured also favours an enthusiastic, energetic and innovative approach to recreational services, as evidenced by:

- The addition of a new activity or activities to their schedule;
- The implementation of a new activities program;
- Or through the development of new methods in promoting leisure activity among disabled persons.

Their initiative must have an impact on the development of leisure services, not merely within the organization itself, but throughout the island of Montreal. The organization that is awarded this prize has likewise demonstrated its willingness and commitment to finding new solutions that will ensure full access to leisure services for persons with disabilities.

Who is eligible?

All member organizations of AlterGo are eligible for this prize. Further, organizations must have been registered for a minimum of 2 years to be eligible. Organizations submit their own candidature.

What financial award accompanies the prize?

AlterGo will bestow upon the organization selected for the prize a grant of \$800.00. The prize is awarded at AlterGo's annual general meeting.

How does an organization submit its candidature?

All that is required is for an organization to submit a letter declaring their candidacy that describes in approximately 500 words how they meet the standards established for the prize. It is important that they explain in detail how any new initiative on their part has responded to any new needs within the community, and what the impact has been.

The letter can be supported by such documentation as: newsletters, brochures, letters of appreciation from clients, photographs, press clippings, etc.

The organization selected to receive the prize will be informed prior to the date of the ceremony, allowing them an opportunity to make any necessary arrangements to attend the annual general meeting.

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Final date to register:

Each year, documentation pertaining to the Guy Langlois Prize must arrive at the offices of AlterGo no later than **October 12** to be eligible for consideration.

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Recent winners

2003
Coup de pouce jeunesse, Montreal North

2002
Loisirs Soleil

2001
Centre communautaire Radisson
and Loisirs Soleil

2000
Centre d'intégration à la vie active (CIVA)

1999
Centre communautaire Radisson

Who is Guy Langlois?

Guy Langlois was honorary president of the Défi sportif for athletes with disabilities in 1991, 1992 and 1993. This prize has been named after him in recognition of his dedication and commitment toward the cause of ensuring that disabled persons be regarded and treated as full-fledged members of society, with all the rights and privileges accorded all citizens. His leadership in terms of communicating the ideals of the Défi sportif to the general public was paramount

in helping the event grow and mature. AlterGo is proud to pay tribute to Guy Langlois for his unfailing support of the rights of persons with disabilities.

The Raymond Bachand Prize for Development

In honour of a leisure organization that, by their actions, have contributed to making recreational activity more accessible to persons with disabilities on the island of Montreal.

Why was it established?

The Raymond Bachand Prize is awarded to an organization demonstrating an unyielding commitment and determination in making leisure services accessible to persons with disabilities. The organization so honoured has also made significant contributions in promoting the practice of leisure activity throughout the community, as evidenced by:

- The commitment to service demonstrated by its team of volunteers and staff;
- The continuity of its services;
- The appreciation of its members for its excellent service;
- Its collaboration with partners in the leisure sector;
- Its drive to constantly improve the conditions that favour increased participation in leisure activity among disabled persons.

The organization that is awarded this prize has likewise made concerted efforts over the years to fully plan and develop its schedule of activities toward better serving their membership.

Who is eligible?

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What financial award accompanies the prize?

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How does an organization submit its candidature?

All that is required is for an organization to submit a letter declaring their candidacy that describes in approximately 500 words how they meet the standards established for the prize. It is important that they explain in detail how

their actions have contributed in a significant way toward promoting accessibility in recreation for persons with disabilities.

The letter can be supported by such documentation as: newsletters, brochures, letters of appreciation from clients, photographs, press clippings, etc.

The organization selected to receive the prize will be informed prior to the date of the ceremony, allowing them an opportunity to make any necessary arrangements to attend the annual general meeting.

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Quebec Special Olympics,
Southwest region, Island of Montreal

2002
West Island Association for the Intellectually Handicapped

2001
Corporation l'Espoir

2000
Loisirs Soleil

1999
Montreal Blind Sports Association

Who is Raymond Bachand?

Raymond Bachand was honorary president of the Défi sportif for athletes with disabilities in 1988, 1989 and 1990. This prize has been named after him in

recognition of his efforts toward ensuring that the Défi sportif be recognized as an event of importance and prestige among Montreal's business community. AlterGo is proud to pay tribute to Raymond Bachand for his enormous contributions in establishing a solid base of corporate support for the Défi sportif.

A strong collective for the promotion of leisure activity

Through its representative strength issuing from its 85 member organizations and the 150,000 disabled citizens residing on the island of Montreal, AlterGo has made great strides in heightening awareness as to the possibilities -- not the limits -- of persons living with a disability.

Various initiatives have been developed in order to better respond to the needs of its membership, such as: the Companion Program for Disabled People, Financial Program for leisure activity, the Défi sportif, Handidactis training programs, the Tourist and Leisure Companion Sticker for people with a disability, consultation services for facilitating accessibility and adapting programs, information and reference resources, Partners' Day and the Montreal Consultation Group for Leisure Activity.