



**SPECIAL ACTIVITY WITH ALBERT MONDOR – NEW WAVE IN HORTICULTURE**

*Come and get inspired for the season to come*

**Grand-Métis, April 24, 2017.** As part of *International Compost Awareness Week*, we are presenting horticulturist and author **Albert Mondor** for a special evening on Wednesday, May 10 at the Salle Desjardins-Telus in Rimouski. Presented in collaboration with the **Ville de Rimouski** and the **Compost Council of Canada**, Albert will present the latest trends in gardening and the ways in which gardening can be fun, productive and ecological. The lecture will also focus on ecological gardening and the benefits of compost for a productive vegetable garden. **Tickets are \$8 (\$5 for members of the Gardens) and may be ordered in advance by visiting [jardinsdemetis.com](http://jardinsdemetis.com) and \$10 at the door the day of the event.**

Proceeds from the event will be directed to Les Jardins de Métis – Reford Gardens, a non-for profit organization whose mission is to develop the Jardins de Métis. For several years, Les Amis des Jardins de Métis has been working to promote ecological gardening.

**Albert Mondor, Extreme Horticulture**

Albert Mondor has a diploma in ornamental horticulture and a degree in biology. He has worked as an horticulturist/garden designer for 30 years. In addition to providing courses and lectures, Albert Mondor writes a column in the Journal de Montréal, has published nine books on horticulture and hosts television shows on this topic.

**Ville de Rimouski**

During the evening, the Ville de Rimouski will be on site with an information booth to share the results of its composting program. Initiated by the Ville in September 2013 for residents, the collection of organic waste has been a great success with significant results. The participation rate is 74% for residences that are provided with the services. Since 2016, institutions and businesses have been invited to join the effort to reduce waste. At present, more than 70 of them are composting. With the success of these initiatives, the amount of waste generated by the commercial sector and residences is on the decline. In addition, citizens are offered free compost; to date 3,225 tons has been distributed.

**Compost Council of Canada**

Organised by the Compost Council of Canada, the presentation kicks off the *International Compost Awareness Week* (May 7 – 13), an annual event for the past 23 years which brings awareness to the important role that organics recycling and compost use plays to address a broad range of environmental and local job issues including waste diversion, greenhouse gas reductions, water conservation and healthy, productive soils. The tour is being supported by Premier Tech and BIOMAX® CQA-certified compost. Along with admission to the presentation, each attendee will receive a reusable bag courtesy of CQA-Certified BIOMAX as well as a magazine from HARROWSMITH.

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Date: **Wednesday May 10, 2017, 7 pm**  
Location: **Salle Desjardins-Telus, 25 rue St-Germain Ouest, Rimouski**  
Ticket Price: **\$8 (\$5 for members of the Gardens)**  
**\$10 at the door the day of the event, to order tickets: [jardinsdemetis.com](http://jardinsdemetis.com)**  
Information: **418 775-2222 x 236, [info@jardinsdemetis.com](mailto:info@jardinsdemetis.com)**

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