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La vie en vert "A Million Acts of Green"

Are you tired of winter's barren and frozen landscape? Enjoy some warmth and light by joining Montreal's Yellow Door Choir and Équiterre in contributing to "a million acts of green" on January 30 and 31. The choir's ecologically themed concert will be a warm oasis of music in the cold, dark night.

The Yellow Door Choir is a registered charity, and part of its mandate is to give something back to the community. The choir and the concert's sponsor, the Unitarian Church of Montreal, are partnering with Équiterre in presenting the concert and will donate proceeds to the organization.

"For more than 25 years we've been sharing the gift of song with Montrealers and, at the same time, making contributions to local, national, and international socially conscious organizations," says Brendan Mirotchnick, the choir's president. "With our theme of a million acts of green, Équiterre seemed a logical choice as a beneficiary. And we have a warm note of support from David Suzuki," he adds proudly.

Équiterre was founded in 1993 on the principle that issues of poverty, the environment, and North-South inequities must be considered in order for real change to occur in society. The organization helps build social movement by encouraging individuals, organizations, and governments to make ecological and equitable choices.

In that spirit, the Yellow Door Choir will be offering a Nature-centric program of songs from around the world in a diversity of languages and styles. Composers and lyricists ranging from Janequin in 16th-century France to Christina Rossetti in Victorian England to contemporary Finland's Mia Makaroff—all celebrate Nature in her many moods.

For ticket purchases and more information about the concert, visit the choir's Web site at <u>www.yellowdoorchoir.com</u> or call 514-738-9052.

Dates: January 30 and 31, 2009

Time: 8 pm (doors open at 7:30 pm)

Place: 5035 de Maisonneuve West, Westmount (2 blocks east of Vendôme Métro station)

Price: \$20; students \$15 (student ID required)

Tickets: Advance sales at <u>www.yellowdoorchoir.com</u> or by calling 514-738-9052; at the door on concert nights

To arrange an interview, call 514-738-9052.