



Summer's finally here, and we have some exciting updates to share with you! Here's a look at what we have ahead.



### Celebrate with Y4Y!

Join Y4Y on June 29th for our **Annual General Meeting**, which will take place in hybrid format (in-person, and via Zoom) from 6 to 7pm. We would be delighted to host you at our **cocktail party** immediately following the meeting, from 7 to 9 pm.

**Register [here](#)** for any or all parts of the evening.



**Calling Youth Artists for Y4Y's New Project:  
*Growing Up in Verdun***

Y4Y is planning an outdoor exhibit that showcases the talent of young artists who grew up in Verdun. We are looking for four aspiring photographers or artists between the ages of 16-20 years old to participate in this [project](#). No professional experience necessary! Just a love for photography, art, and sharing stories. If you are interested, we would like to hear from you.

[Find out more.](#)

It's going to be a colourful summer!



## Seeking Youth Cultural Ambassadors

Are you a young person interested in gaining more experience in community organizing? The Belonging Project is hiring Youth Cultural Ambassadors that are passionate about building community and fostering relationships across different groups and generations. This opportunity centers around giving youth in Québec the capacity to cultivate spaces of inclusion and celebrate the places they call home.

If you are interested, you can find more details on the job [here](#).



### **What motivates youth to get civically engaged? What are the barriers?**

The Y4Y team is conducting interviews with English-speaking Québec youth about their civic engagement (i.e., their experiences with volunteering, extra-curriculars, local politics, etc.). These interviews will be featured in an upcoming [report](#) on how members of our youth community describe what drives them to engage in civic life in their communities.



## The Impact of Support on the Mental Health of LGBTQIA2S+ Youth across Québec

Y4Y Québec and Connexions Resource Centre partnered up to hold the First Annual Pontiac Pride event to celebrate the LGBTQIA2S+ youth of the region, and their families, allies, & friends. The youth consultation Y4Y conducted during the event brought a range of experiences to light. Y4Y continues to learn about the lived experiences of the queer youth community by collecting survey responses (you can participate by clicking [here](#)), and writing a policy brief about the issues of greatest importance to the youth who have so kindly shared their stories with us.



## Y4Y Consultation in Saguenay–Lac-Saint-Jean

With the support of ECO-02, Riverside Regional High School hosted Y4Y for two days in June so that students could participate in a youth consultation and sound off on the issues they face in their daily lives. This was followed by a mental health workshop and speed-jobbing session for students interested in joining the Youth Advisory Committee for Y4Y's Mental Health Initiative. It was a pleasure to share pizzas and ideas with the RRHS students during their lunch hours! Wishing them a great summer break!



### Join the Y4Y Team today by becoming a Community Liaison

Contact Charlotte at [charlotte.crober@y4yquebec.org](mailto:charlotte.crober@y4yquebec.org) to learn about how you can have a part-time job writing about the people, places, and things that are important to you. We are actively seeking youth between now and September who want to get hired and get published.

**[Find out more](#) and [apply here](#).**



**Y4Y Is Sponsoring the 19th Edition of The Institut du Nouveau Monde's Summer School: Degrees of Change!**

We will be covering the costs of participation for 5 youth to attend this year's Summer School, which is taking place from August 17th to 20th at Concordia University. The themes this year are ecological and social transitions, so if you want to engage with decision-makers and young leaders, write to [info@y4yquebec.org](mailto:info@y4yquebec.org) to grab one of 8 free enrollments.

More info on INM École d'été [here](#).

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