



December 2021 eBulletin



Photo by Laura Grunberg

Winter programs are here: Our new printed programs for Winter 2022 have arrived. Everyone who was enrolled in study groups and/or lectures in the year prior to the pandemic, but has not enrolled since, has been sent a copy in the mail. Others are available in the office. Meanwhile most members now go online to access study group and lecture info, and to register. Huge thanks to administrative coordinator **Sally Cooper** (shown above) for producing the printed program and notably, for updating the website to reflect our switch to hybrid learning — an Amazonian effort achieved with the help of office volunteers, and of **Jimmy Ibarra**, a web developer who works with the School of Continuing Studies, and SCS graphic designer **Lia Chinen**. Registration begins **Monday, December 6 at 9 a.m.**

Sock it to 'em: The arrival of icy weather has added a note of urgency to our appeal for warm winter clothing for indigenous people in the streets. **From now to Friday, December 17**, a drop-off box will be available in our lounge for warm coats, hats, scarves, boots and gloves suitable for long periods spent outdoors. Especially appreciated would be socks, socks, socks! **Resilience Montreal** director **Nakuset** emphasizes warm insulation for feet is of great importance.

A gift suggestion: In this season of giving, MCLL is also in need of donations to help us maintain and update our program. Just click on the dot below.

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Party time! Please come to MCLL's **Virtual Holiday Party**, featuring the vocal stylings of **Sid Rosensweig**, music by the **Ukuladies**, and **Kenneth Mackenzie** on the Scottish small pipes. We will also enjoy readings by **Andrew Macdougall** and **Judith Elson**, plus videos and a chance to catch up with your friends in smaller breakout rooms. A Zoom link will be sent out before the date: **Friday, December 17 at 1 p.m.** No need to register. Just click on the link and join the festivities.

Spread the word: Our second virtual **Open House** was attended by 140 people. [Here is a link to a video](#) of the event, that we encourage you to share with friends who might be interested in MCLL. The video provides an overview of our study groups and lectures, offered on Zoom and in person, and available to lifelong learners no matter where they live, as well as information on special events, outings and workshops. It also outlines member benefits, who our members are and what members and moderators say about our community.

News, opinions and views on any MCLL-related topic are most welcome. Just contact Susan Purcell, the eBulletin editor, at suepurcell@videotron.ca, or call her at (514) 488-3503.

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