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**HAITI ON FIRE!**  
**AN EVENING OF SHOWS AND MOVIES UNDER THE STARS**  
**PRESENTED BY LOTO-QUEBEC**

**Montreal, June 13, 2007-** The Fabienne Colas Foundation (FCF) is pleased to announce **Haiti on Fire**, an evening of shows and movies under the stars presented by Loto-Québec at *Théâtre de la Verdure* in Montreal, on Friday, July 13, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

As part of the Montreal International Haitian Film Festival or MIHFF, **Haiti on Fire** is the first event of its kind organized by the Fabienne Colas Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting and promoting Haitian cinema, art and culture both here and abroad.

**A RICH PROGRAM FOR THIS PRE-FESTIVAL ACTIVITY!**

**Haiti on Fire** will showcase Haiti in all its diversity, its splendour and its cultural richness with an “all-in-one” program designed especially for this unique event. Outdoor cinema, folk dancing with Troupe Ekspresyon, roots music with Sara Rénélik, hip-hop, surprise guests, Haitian cuisine, but above all, camaraderie, new discoveries, entertainment, sharing and interculturalism: a major event dedicated to Haitian culture!

The film *L’Homme sur les Quais*, official selection of the 1993 *Festival de Cannes*, will be screened at the end of the evening. This 105-minute drama by Raoul Peck, who also directed *Sometimes in April* and *Lumumba*, two films that have attracted a lot of attention, evokes the Duvalier dictatorship through the story of a little Haitian girl. Among others, the film stars the unforgettable and legendary Toto Bissainthe, actress and singer who helped create the first black French theatre troupe called Les Griots, as well as the late and much lamented well-known actor and publicist, François Latour, murdered in Port-au-Prince on May 22, 2007 by his kidnappers.

François Latour has acted with and for the greatest filmmakers and theatre directors and actors in Haiti, including Raoul Peck, Raphaël Stines, Roland Dorfeuille (a.k.a. Pyram), Richard Brisson, Syto Cavé and Frank Etienne. We will be paying a special tribute to Mr. Latour with a reading of a text written by Raoul Peck for the occasion.

**HAITI ON FIRE!**  
**at Théâtre de la Verdure in Lafontaine Park**  
**Friday, July 13, from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.**  
**Free admission**

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Detailed information available as of Thursday, June 23 on the following websites:

[www.haitienfolie.com](http://www.haitienfolie.com) (currently under construction)

[www.festivalfilmhaitien.com](http://www.festivalfilmhaitien.com)

[www.fondationfabiennecolas.org](http://www.fondationfabiennecolas.org)

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