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## **FRANCINE GRIMALDI, SPOKESPERSON FOR THE THIRD MIHFF!**

**Montreal, May 7, 2007** - The Montreal International Haitian Film Festival promotes Haitian cinema and provides an opportunity for professionals from all walks of life who work in the film industry to meet.

This year, the spokesperson for the MIHFF is Francine Grimaldi, well-known and very popular cultural reporter at Radio-Canada (CBC French network). Francine Grimaldi said that she has noticed that here, in Montreal, people are more familiar with Haitian music, poetry and literature than with Haitian cinema, and added that she is very happy to be supporting the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of the Festival, which will run in Montreal from September 19 to 23, 2007.

Created by the Fabienne Colas Foundation (FCF), a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting and promoting Haitian cinema, art and culture both here and abroad, the Montreal International Haitian Film Festival is becoming a major player in the arena of cultural diversity in Quebec. The Festival needs everyone's support in order to continue to operate, and Francine Grimaldi understands this very well:

"The MIHFF helps keep us up to date! It's an opportunity to get together, to connect... Haitians by descent or, like me, Haitians at heart. Do not miss out on this event!" The Festival is an opportunity for Quebec Haitians to reconnect with their cultural roots, but it also gives other Quebeckers a chance to discover a dynamic, emerging cinema that depicts the Haitian reality in all its complexity, diversity and richness.

**Registration for the third edition of the Festival is open until July 2, 2007!**

**The Montreal International Haitian Film Festival**

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