

# Cité Mémoire - Projections of Montreal's History

Montreal was founded in 1642, which means that in 2017, the city is celebrating its 375th birthday. That's a long stretch of history, and people can't be expected to remember everything that's happened. To help jog our memories, Montreal has created a multimedia exhibition called Cité Memoire (Memory City), transforming the old town into a living tribute to the past.



Eighteen spots around Old Montreal have been selected for Cité Mémoire. At each one, there's a projection, or "tableaux," which brings a significant moment from Montreal's history to life. In order to understand each clip, you have to download a free app that allows you to listen to the audio. And the projections don't just play on a loop. Using the app, you're the one who starts them.

If it were just short movies projected against the sides of buildings, Cité Mémoire would be cool, but not all that memorable. However, each of the eighteen tableaux has been produced with the utmost artistry. They're the work of some of Quebec's most renowned multidisciplinary artists. The projections are poetic, haunting and beautiful, and each one makes perfect use of its individual location.