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Last chance Summer activities continue until Labour Day on the Plains of Abraham and at Brown Basin

Québec, August 29, 2011 – The season of summer activities is already drawing to a close on the Plains of Abraham and at Brown Basin. Numerous visitors have indeed already visited the *Odyssey* exhibition, the *Martello 1 Tower*, as well as *Pirates, Privateers and Freebooters*, in addition to hopping aboard *Abraham's Bus* to discover a majestic park through the eyes of history, and more. What if you haven't yet set foot in these indispensable attractions? Don't you worry; these entertaining activities designed for the entire family are offered until September 5. Don't miss the boat... or the bus!

On the Plains of Abraham

Odyssey Multimedia Exhibition

From 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (July 1 to September 5) and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (the rest of the year), everyday. At the Discovery Pavilion.

The 400 years of history which shaped the park are told from the birth of the colony until the creation of this oasis of greenery. A series of multimedia presentations shed light on the most significant moments of this timeline, including the great Québec City battles. Scale models, artefacts and uniforms complete the visit. Remember, the *Odyssey* multimedia exhibition is available year 'round.

Martello Tower 1

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. everyday.

Unique in the province, the three Martello towers illustrate the military life of the 19th century. In the heart of Martello 1 you will see an exhibition centered on military engineering which reveals the secrets of the life of billeted troops, the role played by the towers, and how they were designed.

Abraham's Bus

Several departures daily. Starting point at the Discovery Pavilion. Reservation required on site.

Let Abraham Martin himself or his wife Marguerite guide you through the park. Climb on board his bus and take a tour, both historical and humorous, of the memorable sites that carry his name, and of the park's well-kept secrets.

At Brown Basin

Pirates, Privateers and Freebooters

From 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day. At Brown Basin, 615, boul. Champlain Est (West of Notre-Dame-de-la-Garde Park).

Up lads and at 'em! Pace up and down the bridge of a ship replica on which friendly pirates, including famous Jack Rackham, welcome volunteer deck hands of all ages. On the ship you will learn about the life of these sea adventurers of the 17th through 19th century as you tour this colourful and fascinating exhibition! You will also get to see the collection of **Student Masterworks**, approximately one hundred reproductions of New France historical objects created by secondary school and 5th grade primary school students. Before leaving the interpretation centre, do not miss the short feature **My Park, My Plains**, produced by the National Film Board of Canada, and take a peek at the interactive models that shed light on the history of some of Battlefield Park's attractions.

Information

Rates (until September 5)

Odyssey, Martello1 and Abraham's Bus

A day pass gives admittance to these three activities:

\$14 / 18-64 years old, \$10 / 13-17 years old, or 65 years old and over, \$4 / 12 years old or under.

Pirates Privateers and Freebooters

\$10 / 18-64 years old, \$8 / 13-17 years old, or 65 years old and over, \$4 / 6-12 years old, \$25 / family of 2 adults and 2 children at most (6-17 years old), free / children 5 years old and under.



The park's information and reception center Discovery Pavilion of the Plains of Abraham

835, Wilfrid-Laurier Avenue, level 0, Québec (same address as the tourism information bureau). From 8:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M., every day, until September 5. Open all year round.

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