

The Orchestre symphonique de Montréal Bal: \$1,000,000 raised!



Kent Nagano, Denis Coderre, Samy Moussa, Marie Belzil, Lucien Bouchard, Tom Little, Éric Martel and Darryl White.

Montréal, May 31, 2017 – Close to 750 guests, including multiple personalities from the business world as well as from the political and the artistic communities, were on hand Tuesday evening, May 30, for the **19th edition of the *Bal d'une nuit d'été***. This is one of the most important fundraising events of the **Orchestre symphonique de Montréal (OSM)**, and which this year managed to raise **\$1,000,000** gross. The evening was under the honorary presidency of **Tom Little** (president, Bell Business Markets), **Eric Martel** (president and chief executive officer of Hydro-Québec) and **Darryl White** (chief operating officer, BMO Financial Group). The evening also marked the **first edition of the *Bal d'une nuit d'été éclaté***, intended to welcome a new philanthropic generation to the OSM.

The chairman of the Orchestra's board, **Lucien Bouchard**, and the mayor of Montréal, **Denis Coderre**, were in attendance. The evening unfolded at Maison symphonique, where guests could enjoy the premiere of a concert resulting from a collaboration between Montréal world-renowned composer **Samy Moussa** and **Moment Factory**, a Montreal multimedia firm that has collaborated with many international artists.

In an immersive ambiance, the musicians of the OSM under the direction of **Kent Nagano** performed Moussa's ***Symphony No. 1, "Concordia,"*** plunged into the visual dress of Moment Factory.

The 20th edition of the *Bal d'une nuit d'été* and the 2nd edition of the *Bal d'une nuit d'été éclaté* will be held on May 24th, 2018.

The Committee and the "Éclaté" ambassadors

The Orchestra thanks the members of the committee: **Tom Little** (president, Bell Business Markets), **Eric Martel** (president and chief executive officer of Hydro-Québec) and **Darryl White** (chief operating officer, BMO Financial Group) along with the Bal "Éclaté" ambassadors: **Donato Battista** (director of operations, Estiatorio Milos), **Miguel Baz** (assistant corporate secretary and director of legal operations, Bell), **Marie-Pier Bergevin** (senior director, brand commitment, sponsorships, North America, BMO Financial Group), **Cynthia Brunet** (attorney, Langlois Lawyers), **Dr. Winston Chan** (chiropractor), **Amélie Forcier** (consultant, NATIONAL Public Relations), **Jennifer Gabriele** (president, Coaching FIT), **Ianik Lajeunesse** (president, Altitude C), **Michelle Vaillancourt** (analyst, international trade, Chamber of Commerce of Metropolitan Montréal).