

## **THE ANNUAL ORCHESTRE SYMPHONIQUE DE MONTRÉAL BALL: \$820 000 RAISED!**



Yves Desjardins-Siciliano, the Governor General of Canada Julie Payette, Kent Nagano, Valérie Plante, Lucien Bouchard, Nadine Renaud-Tinker.

**Montreal, May 25, 2018** – The 20th edition of the **OSM’s Bal d’une nuit d’été** was a resounding success! Close to 800 guests from the business and political worlds came together on Thursday, May 24 for this festive event, the most substantial annual fundraising activity to be held by the Orchestra. This year, a total of **\$820 000** was raised. Presidents of Honour **Yves Desjardins-Siciliano**, President and Chief Executive Officer of VIA Rail Canada, **Nadine Renaud-Tinker**, President, Quebec Headquarters of the Royal Bank of Canada, as well as the highly popular media host **Geneviève Borne** joined the musicians of the OSM under Maestro **Kent Nagano** to create a joy-filled event in a wonderful setting specially designed for the occasion. With customary brio and style, Maestro Nagano and the OSM performed the famous Symphony No 6, “Pastorale” by Ludwig van Beethoven to the great delight of everyone present! Each year, the total amount raised at this very special event enables the OSM to continue in its leading role in Quebec and Canada’s symphonic landscape, and to maintain its status among the best of the world’s great orchestras.



In addition to its prestigious **Bal d’une nuit d’été**, for the 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive year the OSM also hosted the ball’s “break-out” version, **Bal d’une nuit d’été éclaté**. Attended by young professionals between 25 and 45 years of age, the event reached out to over 400 participants for whom art and culture are synonymous with passion. After the concert by Maestro Nagano and the OSM, the evening continued with a fantasy-filled cocktail dinner complete with animation and performances in a magical setting, with numerous surprises awaiting the guests. A truly memorable evening!

Ambassadors of **Bal d'une nuit d'été éclaté**

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Don't miss the 21st edition of **Bal d'une nuit d'été** and the 3rd edition of **Bal d'une nuit d'été éclaté**, scheduled for May 30, 2019.

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