

Get to Know Montreal

**Itinerary No. 2:
MODERN ART – MONTREAL'S
INTERNATIONAL QUARTER**

Located in the quadrangle formed by University and St-Urban streets, St-Jacques and Viger, is Montreal's International Quarter, characterized by a wonderful mélange of history and modernity. An urban development project on a grand scale, this newly redeveloped area features public spaces and prestigious buildings side by side with public art. It's well worth a look!

6 University Street

The central median of this busy downtown street is lined with 22 steel columns forming the University Street Colonnade (valider). These structures are covered with « Montreal limestone » typical of the city's architecture. Banners flying in the interior of the colonnade represent the colours of flags of different nations around the world.

7 Victoria Square

Prestigious public space in the last century, Victoria Square was redeveloped in 2003. It is home to a statue of Queen Victoria as well as an authentic Parisian subway entrance donated for the opening of Montreal's metro system in 1966.

8 Place Jean-Paul-Riopelle

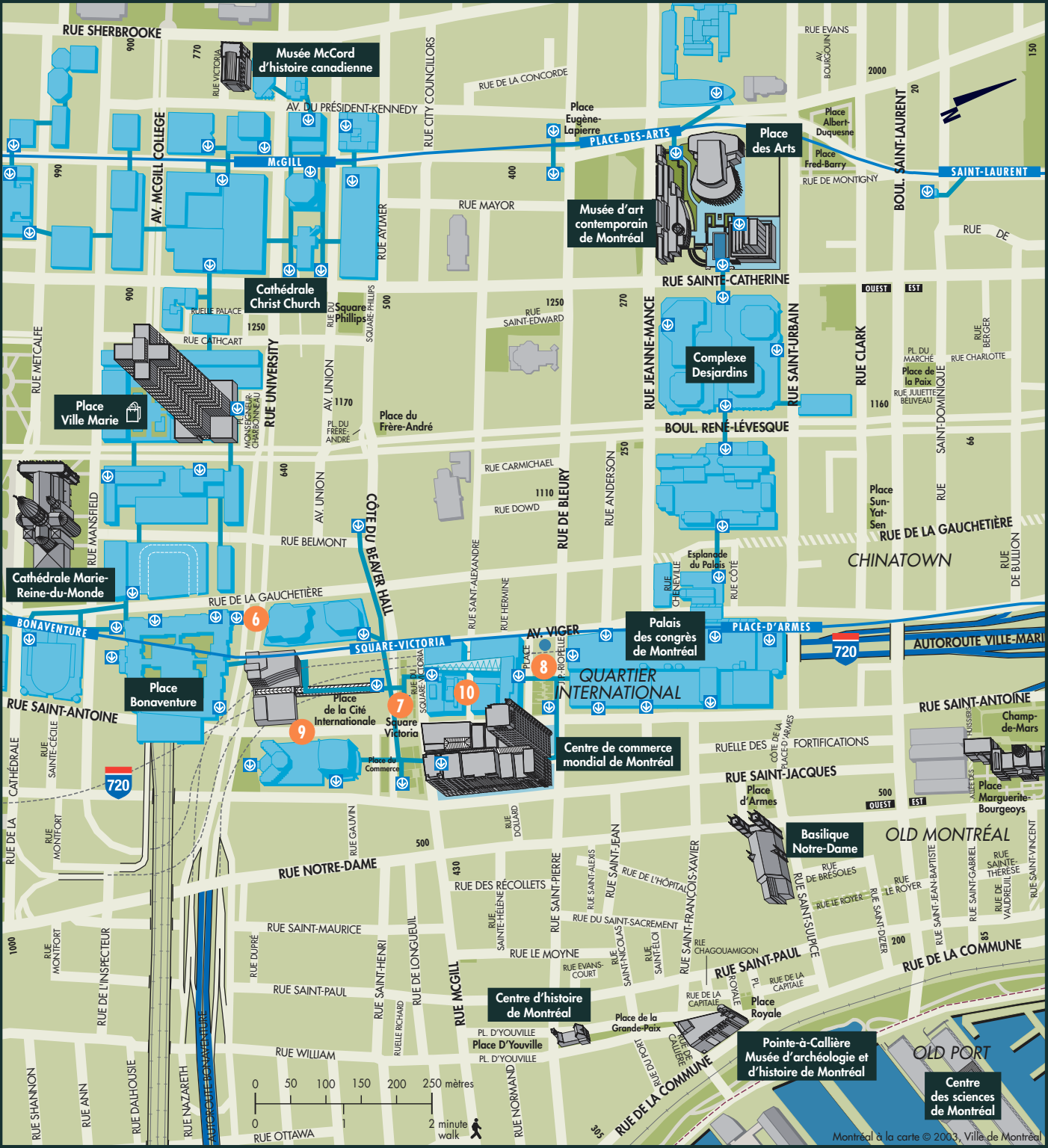
Located in front of the new Convention Centre, Place Jean-Paul-Riopelle houses the renowned artist's fountain sculpture called «La Joute» (The Round or The Match). This monumental work is deployed in a circular basin filled with a ring of fire (to be made functional in Spring, 2004).

9 Saint-Antoine Street

Occupied by the Convention Centre and the headquarters of the ICAO, St-Antoine street has been completely redeveloped to become one of the main arteries of the new International Quarter.

10 The Quebec Caisse de dépôt et placement

This modern glass-and-steel structure straddles the Ville-Marie Autoroute and arcs over St-Alexander Street with a graceful pedestrian overpass. It won an international award for innovation in architecture. Not to be missed!



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