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**PRESS RELEASE
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CASE-MCQ and St. George's Church Foundation present:

**Bonjour, Olá:
An Evening of Classical Guitar and Percussion, From Québec to Brazil**

Friday, March 31, 2023 at 7:30 pm

St. George's Anglican Church: 274 Heriot St., Drummondville

Tickets at the door. To reserve tickets: casemcq.project.agent@gmail.com

Suggested donation: Adults \$25, Students \$10, Children 12 and under: free

The concert "Bonjour, Olá" offers classical music fans from the Drummondville region a unique opportunity to hear a varied and exciting repertoire on instruments not often brought together in the same program: classical guitar, the marimba and the vibraphone.

Dali Brillon is from a musical family and is pursuing musical studies in the "Virtuoso" profile at the Cégep de Drummondville. A versatile percussionist, he has developed a passion for the marimba and the vibraphone ever since being inspired at a concert of the Canadian percussionist, Marie-Josée Simard. He's looking forward to presenting an interesting program of music composed for the marimba and vibraphone, including pieces by David Friedman and Matthias Schmitt.

Daria Giritch and **Louis-Philippe Côté** began playing together as a classical guitar duo in a chamber music class given by guitarist and music instructor, Hughes Gagnon. The two musicians share a love of Latin and ethnic music from around the world. Daria began

playing piano and singing at 6 years old. She took up the guitar in elementary school, and although she focused her energy elsewhere during her high school years, she nevertheless continued to compose and arrange music, and decided to reconnect with the guitar by studying it seriously at Cegep. Louis-Philippe Côté's passion for classical guitar has kept growing since he first started to play at 8 years old. He has performed a wide-ranging repertoire, from baroque to contemporary to Latin music, in many performance contexts. Both students are currently completing their final year in the "Virtuoso" profile of the music department of the Cegep de Drummondville. Daria and Louis-Philippe will be joined by **Jean-Philippe Bolduc** for an arrangement for guitar trio of "Cordoba" by the Spanish composer, Isaac Albéniz.

The concert is presented by community organization **CASE-MCQ** and the **St. George's Church Foundation** as part of their partnership with les **Productions Artscène**. The goal of this concert series is twofold: to promote exciting, young and up-and-coming musicians enrolled in the music department of the Cégep de Drummondville, and to highlight the beauty and vitality of the historic St. George's Anglican Church. The organizers would like to thank their partners who have contributed to the success of these ongoing cultural events: **the MRC of Drummond, Heritage Canada, and the Secrétariat aux relations avec les Québécois d'expression anglaise.**

About the concert series

Launched last year as the "History and Music Concerts," the series is rebaptized this year as "St. George's Concerts and Special Events." Representing a dynamic partnership between St. George's Church Foundation and the English community organization CASE-MCQ together with les Productions Artscène, this new series will feature concerts showcasing local, young emerging talent, talks about fascinating aspects of local history, St. George's signature English tea social activities, and other unique events highlighting local heritage and culture. Events take place at the historic St. George's Church with its distinctive architecture, heritage stained-glass, and warm acoustics, or at the neighbouring St. George's Hall.

About the Centre for Access to Services in English

The Centre for Access to Services in English provides support and resources to facilitate and promote the well-being of the English-speaking population of the Mauricie and Centre-du-Québec regions of Québec, Canada. We also help to build bridges with the wider community. Our health, education, and wellness programs aim to build community through engaging workshops and family activities for all ages. For more information, please visit our website at www.casemcq.com or our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/casemcq.

About St. George's Foundation

St. George's Foundation is an organization dedicated to protecting the heritage site of St. George's Church. Their mission is to preserve and enhance their religious and cultural heritage. Foundation board members and volunteers work to enhance the site and buildings of St. George's Church by balancing repair, restoration and promotion of the site in the community. At Foundation meetings, they explore all avenues to ensure the preservation of St. George's Church.

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