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## **The MRC d'Argenteuil 2009 Christmas Fair: Very promising!**

**LACHUTE, NOVEMBRE 10, 2009** — With the success attained last year, the MRC d'Argenteuil is pleased to announce the return of its Christmas Fair “Arts and Delights of Argenteuil”. The fair will be held on November 28 and 29, 2009, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Polyvalente Lavigne in Lachute. Nearly 30 exhibitors will be on location to present you their art, whether it is visual or culinary.

“Last year, more than 800 visitors had the chance to discover and admire the hidden treasures of Argenteuil. With sales of \$24 000, everyone got something out of this event, customers and exhibitors. It was therefore natural, and even essential, to repeat the experience in 2009”, explains Mr. Marc Carrière, director general and secretary-treasurer of the MRC d'Argenteuil. Besides, it is an excellent window for our artists, craftspersons and local producers as well as an excellent way to promote the local economy.

Note that there are no admission fees for visitors nor are there fees for exhibitors. It is thus not surprising to see a large number of them returning this year: from arts and crafts, Ilania Abileah (painting, mixed media), Troy and Pius Beck (steel forging), Julie Carrier (jewellery), Robert Dionne (painting, earthenware), Francine Foucault (handbags), Sylvie Legault (painting), Charles Lefebvre (art glass), Danielle Massie (textiles), Jean-Jacques Pharand (painting), Gilles Sanscartier (wood carving), Joan Scott (earthenware), Marielle Thibodeau (painting) and Sheila Watson (ceramics, painting). On the local producers' side: Terra Madre, Aux Lubies gourmandes, Aux cassis d'Argenteuil, L'Érablière du sanglier, Laine d'Argenteuil, Lachute Road Farm, Le Troupeau Bénit and Les épices gourmandes.

New exhibitors this year: Jean-Claude Lecorre (painting), TriCycle (jewellery and clothing), Pierre Trahan (cabinetwork and sculpture), Mario "Pic-Bois" Lacoureur (wood electric guitars), Agri-Choux (vegetable producer). Also the singers Éric Poulin and Robert Simard (Henri Band) will be there to sell their CD. On Sunday, the vocal ensemble Hémiole will be "in the house" to put us in a Christmas mood and representatives from Les Productions La cour des miracles will be present to sell tickets for their show based on The Nutcracker.

We look forward to seeing you all on November 28 and 29!

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