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PRESS RELEASE

The Montreux Jazz Festival presents its plan for the 55th edition in line with the requirements of the pandemic

The organizers of the Montreux Jazz Festival present their 55th edition adapted to the COVID-19 epidemic situation. This is a largely reduced edition, without any activities outside of the official Festival zones. The health protection plan is validated by the Cantonal Command Staff.

The Chef d'Etat-major cantonal has authorized the MJF 2021 to take place in accordance with the legal framework in place. As the health situation in Switzerland and in the canton of Vaud is fully under control and vaccination is well underway, the first major event to take place on Vaud territory can be authorized. While the organizers' strict compliance with the sanitary rules will limit the risks, it is important to continue to appeal to individual responsibility by applying the barrier measures.

The MJF Health Protection Plan was developed according to the Ordinance on Measures to Control the Covid-19 Epidemic in Special Situations of June 23, 2021 and according to the relaxation stage V, which came into force on June 26, 2021. It is also based on the Protection Plan issued by the EMCC applicable in the context of the organization of major events from June 26, 2021.

The Festival's general strategy is based on separate zones with reduced capacity (total capacity of the site of 1,470 people this year, as opposed to 15,000 people per day during a normal edition). Each perimeter will be controlled in terms of capacity and tracing of the public (in separate zones, as opposed to a completely open site during a normal event)

To access the free activities and the food outlets, it will be necessary to book your places via the websites mjf.ch or TheFork.ch. Reservations will open two days in advance, starting at noon, and can be made for slots of up to 2 hours. Festival-goers will only be traced in indoor locations, using the Mindful mobile application. To access the paying concerts (Lake Stage and Petit Théâtre), festival-goers will have to present, in addition to their concert ticket, their COVID Certificate (paper format with QR code or digital format) as well as a valid ID. No other credentials will be allowed at the entrance of the paying stages. Masks must be worn only in indoor areas which are not subject to the COVID Certificate.

Outside the perimeter of the Festival, no stalls selling drinks, food or handicrafts will be authorized. The Quai Jaccoud (Alexandre-Emery/Passage Monney section) will be inaccessible without a concert ticket 1 hour before the beginning and 30 minutes after the musical performances. The area around the Quai Jaccoud will be closed to navigation. Due to the reduced size of this year's event, festival-goers are invited to travel to Montreux by public transport or with their vehicle, using the existing parking spaces. No special mobility and parking arrangements will be put in place this year by the Association Sécurité Riviera, except for an additional parking lot for two-



wheelers at the Avenue des Alpes. The VMCV buses will be free of charge for the concert ticket holders. The timetables for bus lines 201 and 204 will be extended until 2:30 am every evening during the event. Night buses are also planned on weekends.

The Riviera Police and the local partners will continue to raise awareness of noise pollution and public disturbances throughout the festival in the public parks surrounding the event.

ALL USEFUL INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND HERE:

www.montreuxjazzfestival.com/en/festival/faq/#covid

www.vd.ch/coronavirus

MAIN THINGS TO REMEMBER

FOR FESTIVAL-GOERS

- To enter the MJF, you must either have a ticket for the paying concerts or a reservation via mjf.ch or TheFork.ch for the free activities and food zones. Reservations will open two days in advance, starting at noon. They can be made for slots of a maximum of 2 hours.
- For paying concerts, a COVID certificate (paper format with QR code or digital format) and an identity document (ID card or passport) are required.
- For free activities and food outlets, the COVID certificate is not required. In indoor locations, public will be traced via the Mindful mobile application and health mask are required when moving around.
- Access to the Quai Jaccoud will be closed 1 hour before and 30 minutes after the MJF concerts.
- Useful MJF info: www.montreuxjazzfestival.com/en/festival/faq/#covid
- www.vd.ch/coronavirus
- Hotline for COVID certificates: 058 715 11 00 / covid.certificats@vd.ch

FOR RESIDENTS AND VISITORS OUTSIDE THE MJF

- No food stalls or activities outside the MJF official perimeter
- Outside the MJF official perimeter, the rules in place since June 26th apply (no mask required outside but 1,5 m social distancing between people)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT

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