

Québec Aerospace Museum organizes "Canada in Space" Program for youth from La Maison de Jonathan.

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Today the Québec Aerospace Museum (QAM) in association with the Canadian Space Agency hosted its first workshop on "Canada's Role in Space" for youth affiliates with the La Maison de Jonathan community services agency in Longueuil, Quebec.

The workshop began at La Maison de Jonathan facility with a presentation tracing the history of the space conquest, including Canada's role, which was and given by Pierre Gillard, Director General, QAM.

The youth group then traveled to the Canadian Space Agency at nearby Saint-Hubert Airport to visit the John H. Chapman Space Center. Here they were able to see models of Canadian satellites as well as the International Space Station (ISS), the Canadian arm simulator "Canadarm 2", and the Robotics Control Center. They also viewed the integration room for rovers where small vehicles are being developed for future use on the surface of the Moon or Mars and visited a vibration test laboratory.

Later, youth and QAM guides participated in a space simulation where they had to rapidly assemble a critical list of supplies for astronauts responding to a spacecraft crash 50 kilometers from a lunar base. The team scored between "good" and "excellent" on the NASA response scale. The visitors also had their photos taken in front of a model of Canadarm 2 displayed at the entrance to the Space Center.

The QAM leadership thanks the staff of the Canadian Space Agency for organizing this inspiring visit for local youth.

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| Canadian Space Agency: | https://www.asc-csa.gc.ca |
| <u>La maison de Jonathan :</u> | http://lamaisondejonathan.ca/ |

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About Québec Aerospace Museum :

The Quebec Aerospace Museum was established as a non-profit society at Saint-Hubert Airport in August 2018.

The main objective of the Society is to create a museum on the property of St-Hubert Airport that will showcase for the general public the innovation and achievements of the aerospace industry in Quebec and Canada. The educational programs of the Museum will provide schools, cadets and youth movements with privileged access to the exciting world of aerospace and help stimulate interest in aeronautics and space among younger generations.

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