

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**TUNE IN TO YES²: AN ASTOUNDING SUCCESS!**

MONTREAL, September 29, 2008 - On Thursday September 25, 2008, over 400 people tuned into YES Montreal as the organization held its second annual fundraiser, **TUNE IN TO YES²** at Club Soda. Hosted by **CJAD's Ric Peterson** and **Robert Gervais (ZeroFail)** - with live performances from **Lorraine Klaasen** and **SueSoul**, the evening of friends, food, and fundraising was an amazing success which inspired and impressed guests and media alike, while raising much needed funds to maintain YES' essential services.

The evening was launched with an impressive array of donated items which were displayed in a Silent Auction. Over 50 lots were prepared and presented to the bidding public, with a variety of prizes running the gamut of 7 nights of luxury for two at the all-inclusive Sirenis Hotel in beautiful Dominican Republic from **Sheldan Kagan International**, a one-year Executive Membership at **Club Sportif MAA**, tickets for Robin William's "Weapons of Mass Destruction" show at Place des Arts from **Donald K Donald Entertainment Group**, Montreal Canadiens signed memorabilia from **Forensics Technology**, **Parasuco** custom-made jeans, and a ride in an Audi R8 at Circuit Mt-Tremblant with a performance driving instructor along with generous donations from **Le Chateau**, **Astral Media**, **Beaconsfield Golf Club**, **Centaur Theatre**, **Birks** and the cream of the crop of Montreal's finest restaurants and health spas. Funds were also raised through raffle tickets, which gave the lucky winners gift baskets, luxurious hotel stays, fine dining and gift certificates from Montreal's leading businesses.

The sold-out crowd at Club Soda was privy to a warm, alluring ambiance and gave the perfect backdrop to the diverse musical performances of **SueSoul** and **Lorraine Klaasen**. Starting off the evening was Montreal's very own R&B sensation, **SueSoul**, who warmed the crowd with their own fusion of Motown memories, rhythm & blues and jazz. Headlining **TUNE IN TO YES²** was **Lorraine Klaasen**, who performed selections from her new recording *Africa Calling*, a record full of infectious grooves and melodies. Lorraine's mesmerizing performance left no stone unturned as she breached the gap between African-based melodies and contemporary world beat. The evening was also highlighted by the witty personas of **Ric Peterson** and local luminary **Robert Gervais**, who also introduced the live testimonials given by clients of YES Montreal.

All funds raised will go to help YES Montreal, a non-profit organization which delivers English-language job-search and self-employment services to Quebecers.

As a not-for-profit organization, YES Montreal (Youth Employment Services) enriches the community by providing English-language support services to help Quebecers find employment and start businesses. www.yesmontreal.ca

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