

# Lossidburn

IGNITION

SURVIVAL GUIDE 2016

**WHAT** L'OsstidBurn: Ignition  
**WHY** Quebec regional burn  
**WHERE** 15 min from Magog  
**WHEN** 22nd to the 24th of July

**GATE**

Friday	8AM à midnight
Saturday	8AM à 8PM
Sunday	EXODUS

The Brûleurs de Montréal Burners are pleased to present L'OsstidBurn: Ignition, a participatory art festival held just 1.5 hours from Montréal, inspired by the 10 principles of Burning Man.

It is founded on the core belief that the best part of any festival are the people that attend and the community they create. There is no main stage, no headliners, no VIP, no vending, no standing around waiting for someone else to start the show. The entire event is one large co-created interactive art piece and it's built by YOU!

#### **But why L'OsstidBurn?**

It refers to L'Osstidcho, a revolutionary show informed by Californian theatrical performances, imagined by Robert Charlebois and Yvon Deschamps amongst others, and directed by Paul Buissonneau, in the late 60's. The concept was simple: to change the status quo of theatre by combining it with multiple other disciplines such as singing, humor, and music.

# [IMPORTANT]

## **NO ICE**

There will be NO ICE available on site.

## **LEAVE NO TRACE**

L'OsstidBurn is a «LEAVE NO TRACE» event: Everything you bring in, you take back with you: Every. Single. Thing.

## **SWIMMING**

No swimming after the dark!!!

## **POTABLE WATER**

There is potable water on site. You will be able to fill up your bottle with it. We suggest you to bring containers to fill up on site.

## **SOUND POLICY**

No amplified sound between 11PM and 10AM, except registered sound camps. We are on a small site and unfortunately sound complaints from the neighbours could get our event shut down.

## **FIRE BAN**

In case of fire ban, only fire performance will be allowed.

## **IDENTITY CARD**

Don't forget to bring a Photo ID for entry [Health Insurance Card, driver's licence or passport] matching the name on your ticket

Contact [tickets@montrealburners.com](mailto:tickets@montrealburners.com) if you need to change this!

# 10 BURNING MAN PRINCIPLES

THESE PRINCIPLES AREN'T COMMANDMENTS NOR RULES. THEY'RE IDEALS THAT OFFER GUIDELINES TO REINVENT THE WORLD AND OURSELVES.

A PARTICIPATION CAN RADICALLY CHANGE YOUR PERCEPTION OF THE SURROUNDING ENVIRONNEMENT AND MAY CAUSE PERMENANT DAMAGE IN THE WAY YOU INTERACT WITH IT.

## CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY

We value civil society. Community members who organize events should assume responsibility for public welfare and endeavor to communicate civic responsibilities to participants. They must also assume responsibility for conducting events in accordance with municipal, state, and federal laws.

## COMMUNAL EFFORT

Our community values creative cooperation and collaboration. We strive to produce, promote, and protect social networks, public spaces, works of art, and methods of communication that support such interaction.

## DECOMMODIFICATION

In order to preserve the spirit of gifting, our community seeks to create social environments that are unmediated by commercial sponsorships, transactions, or advertising. We stand ready to protect our culture from such exploitation. We resist the substitution of consumption for participatory experience.

## GIFTING

L'OsstidBurn is devoted to acts of gift-giving. The value of a gift is unconditional. Gifting does not contemplate a return or an exchange for something of equal value

## IMMEDIACY

Immediate experience is, in many ways, the most important touchstone of value in our culture. We seek to overcome barriers that stand between us and a recognition of our inner selves, the reality of those around us, participation in society, and contact with a natural world exceeding human powers. No idea can substitute for this experience.

## LEAVING NO TRACE

Our community respects the environment. We are committed to leaving no physical trace of our activities wherever we gather. We clean up after ourselves and endeavor, whenever possible, to leave such places in a better state than when we found them.

## PARTICIPATION

Our community is committed to a radically participatory ethic. We believe that transformative change, whether in the individual or in society, can occur only through the medium of deeply personal participation. We achieve being through doing. Everyone is invited to work. Everyone is invited to play. We make the world real through actions that open the heart.

## RADICAL INCLUSION

Anyone may be a part of L'OsstidBurn. We welcome and respect the stranger. No prerequisites exist for participation in our community.

## RADICAL SELF-EXPRESSION

Radical self-expression arises from the unique gifts of the individual. No one other than the individual or a collaborating group can determine its content. It is offered as a gift to others. In this spirit, the giver should respect the rights and liberties of the recipient.

## RADICAL SELF-RELIANCE

Our community encourages the individual to discover, exercise, and rely on his or her inner resources.

# [BEFORE YOU GO]

**BEFORE YOU ARRIVE MAKE SURE YOU AND EVERYONE IN YOUR VEHICLE HAS BOUGHT A TICKET, AND THAT YOU HAVE PHOTO ID THAT MATCHES THE NAME ON YOUR TICKET.**

Our gate crew will need this to verify your ticket and will not let you in if your name isn't on our list. If you arrive with someone in your car who doesn't have a ticket, it will be your responsibility to transport that person back home. So make sure everyone in your vehicle has a ticket.

## **YOU MUST BRING**

- Photo ID for entry (Health Insurance Card, driver's licence or passport) matching the name on your ticket - contact tickets@montrealburners.com if you need to change this!
- Enough food and beverages for the duration of your entire stay.
- Shelter, bedding, warm & cool clothing, swimsuit.
- Trash bags
- Comprehensive medical kit
- Light: a headlamp, torch, fairy lights, EL wire (and spare batteries for these)
- Duct tape & cable ties - Never leave without Duct Tape.
- Shade structures, umbrellas, parasols, sheets; something to protect you from the sun ... and rain! It may rain all week-end.
- Rain Gear

- Bug repellent.
- Sunscreen & Hats
- Costumes, musical instruments, props, banners, signs, and anything that might make the experience more fun for you and your neighbours.
- Camping gear: cooker, coolers for food and beverages, pan, opener...
- Water containers
- Bring your cup! You never know when a generous burners may want to fill it with something.
- Earplugs (Not everyone will want to sleep when you do!).
- Gifts
- Portable ashtray for smokers.
- An open mind, an open heart, a sense of humor, and your smile

## **DO NOT BRING THESE**

- Lasers
- Firearms
- Moopy items - feathers, confetti, glitter
- Fireworks/Flares
- Pets

**LOSE SOMETHING?**

**LOST AND FOUND WILL BE NEAR THE RANGERS HQ.**

# [ARRIVAL]

## **EARLY ARRIVALS**

Only Early Arrivals are able to access our site before gates open (from Thursday 21st July at noon). Please fill the **ONLINE FORM** for Early Arrival

Cars will be allowed on site before Friday noon and Sunday after 4pm.

Only registered Theme Camps will be able to be erected before gates open.

## **TICKETING**

**GATES OPEN FRIDAY JULY 22TH AT NOON** - you will be asked to sign a Liability Waiver to attend L'Osstid-Burn. Available at the gate.

**NO TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE GATE** - all participants must have purchased a ticket to be admitted.

**ARRIVING DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED** - finding and clearing a campsite in the dark can be tricky.

Participants under 18 years old will be given a wristband identifying them as such, you may not give them alcohol.

There is parking available, but please try to car-pool to the event if possible.

# [CAMPING]

## **WATER ON SITE**

There is potable water on site. You will be able to fill up your bottle with it. We suggest you to bring containers to fill up on site.

## **PORTA POTTIES**

**PLEASE DON'T PUT ANYTHING OTHER THAN HUMAN WASTE** and the one-ply toilet paper into the toilets.

**KEEP IT CLEAN FOR OTHERS!** All sanitary hygiene items are to not be put into the toilets: tampons, hand-wipes, cigarette butts, and other trash are to be taken with you.

## **THING TO KNOW ABOUT CAMPING AT L'OSSTIDBURN**

Theme camps will be given clearly marked camping areas.

Open camping areas are on a first-come, first-serve basis.

There will be sound camps at L'OsstidBurn. Keep this in mind when choosing your spot to camp.

Be prepared for extremes: weather is unpredictable.

Please respect the boundaries of the land.

# [LEAVE NO TRACE]

## WHAT IS MOOP?

**MOOP** is an acronym for "MATTER OUT OF PLACE", a convenient way of referring to anything that is not originally of the land on which our event takes place.

**CAN BE ANYTHING:** cigarette butts, bottle caps, fireworks, feathers, broken bits of wood, plastic, metal or broken glass.

## L'OSSTIDBURN IS A LEAVE NO TRACE EVENT

Everything you bring in, you take back with you:  
Every. Single. Thing.

Garbage and recycling are not provided!

Remove all extra wrapping and packaging from items before you get to L'OsstidBurn.

**SMOKERS!** Don't toss your butts into the forest - contain them after use!

Never let anything hit the ground.

Secure everything in your camp.

Bring MOOP (Matter Out Of Place) bags, and count on taking at least one full size trash bag per person back in your vehicle.

When leaving, pack carefully and make sure your rubbish and other items do not come loose on the ride home.

Schedule two hours on your own during to help clean up L'OsstidBurn.

# [RESPECT!!!]

## CONSENT IS SEXY!

The consent model holds that one person proposes an action and the other gives permission for it.

Sexy costumes are NOT consent, nudity is NOT consent, being drunk is NOT consent, being underage is NOT consent, being asleep is NOT consent, and being too scared to resist is NOT consent.

Nudity, skimpy clothing, or even raunchy behaviour is not an invitation to have sex or any form of intimate physical contact. **THE ONLY INVITATION IS A CLEARLY SPOKEN INVITATION.**

Non-consensual physical or verbal violence will NOT be tolerated and will be cause for immediate expulsion of offending individuals.

Check before touching - that includes hugging!

Be mindful and know your own limits, make it clear what you are uncomfortable with.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

Personal media, pictures, and recordings of participants or their art without their consent is prohibited.

As a general note: at all times **ASK FOR PERMISSION** to take pictures..

## PROTECTION OF ART

Respect the art and artists at L'OsstidBurn by only modifying artwork with the permission of the artist.

If you see someone vandalizing artwork, ask them to stop or inform a Ranger if necessary.

# [HEALTH & SAFETY]

"The Rangers will operate at L'OsstidBurn. We are burners taking care of our community. We do mediation, conflict resolution and take care of emergencies.

If you are in need for help, you can find us at Ranger HQ. It is the red shack located at the center of the event. We also patrol in pairs in the event. We carry radios.

If you find yourself in an overwhelming situation, please come find either the Rangers or First Aid volunteers. You can also go talk to the Sanctuary volunteers.

PLEASE be safe out there. Take care of your friends and yourself. Drink water, have food. And have fun!

No swimming after dark. This is very important.

We had medical supplies at Ranger HQ. Come find us if you don't have what you need in your own first aid kit

At night, make sure that you can see and be seen."

- The L'OsstidBurn RANGERS

**NO SWIMMING AFTER THE DARK!!!**

**PACE YOURSELF !**

## **FIRE ART**

Fire Art Safety: All fire installations need to be pre registered before the event.

It must be inspected by an official responsible before the first activation.

## **FIRE SAFETY**

If there is no fire ban, only the designed fire pits will be allowed. Don't make new ones!

No fire should be left unattended. If it is the case, it will be put out.

In case of fire ban, no open fire will be allowed.

FIRE PERFORMERS will only be allowed in the fire performance area, with a safety person, and a wet cloth. No exception.

Always put cigarette butts in a PORTABLE ASHTRAY.

## **PARENTING**

**PREPARE YOUR KIDS:** Let your kids know in advance about the kind of things that they will or might see and hear. Nudity, iconoclastic art, rude language and weird behavior are all a part of the event

When you get to L'OsstidBurn - walk around with them and identify landmarks that will help them navigate and be safe.

Show them the Ranger HQ.

They can safely go there if they get lost.

## **SOUND OUT OF PLACE**

No amplified sound between 11 PM and 10 AM, except registered sound camps.

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## **GENERATORS?**

Insulate them using non-flammable damping materials.

Don't run your generator late at night or early in the morning.

Make sure people can't trip over any power cords.

Always turn it off if no-one is in camp.

## **EFFIGIE**

In the effect of a fire ban during the event, there will be no burn on Saturday and open fires. Only fire performances will be allowed.

Burn on Saturday is around 10PM.

## **FIRE ARTISTS**

You want to join the CONCLAVE before the Burn on Saturday evening [9PM] **SIGN UP ONLINE!**

A mandatory meeting will take place at 7PM near the effigy. The Safety Lead will meet the participants before the conclave. If a participant is not able to perform safely, he will not get permission to do so. The Safety Lead's decision is final.

We are also looking for a few volunteers. All are welcome, no previous experience required.

## **HOW CAN I CONTRIBUTE?**

L'OsstidBurn does not happen without you! Please contact us if you would like to help out and volunteer!

Volunteering BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER the event is strongly encouraged and greatly appreciated. We need volunteers to coordinate the GATE/Greeters, Rangers/Medic, Fire Safety Team, Leave No Trace Team.

You can fill up **THE FORM ONLINE** or meet us on site.

Simply, offer help to those who look like they could use a hand!

## **EXODUS**

PACK OUT WHAT YOU PACK IN

All participants (except LNT volunteers) must be off the property by 6PM, Sunday July 24th.

LEAVE NO TRACE will start at 4PM.

Make time to do a sweep of your campsite and areas you frequented before you leave. Ask other theme camp if they need help for teardown and clean the area.

## **MOOP OUT!**

Everyone in Line!

Keep one meter distance from each others!

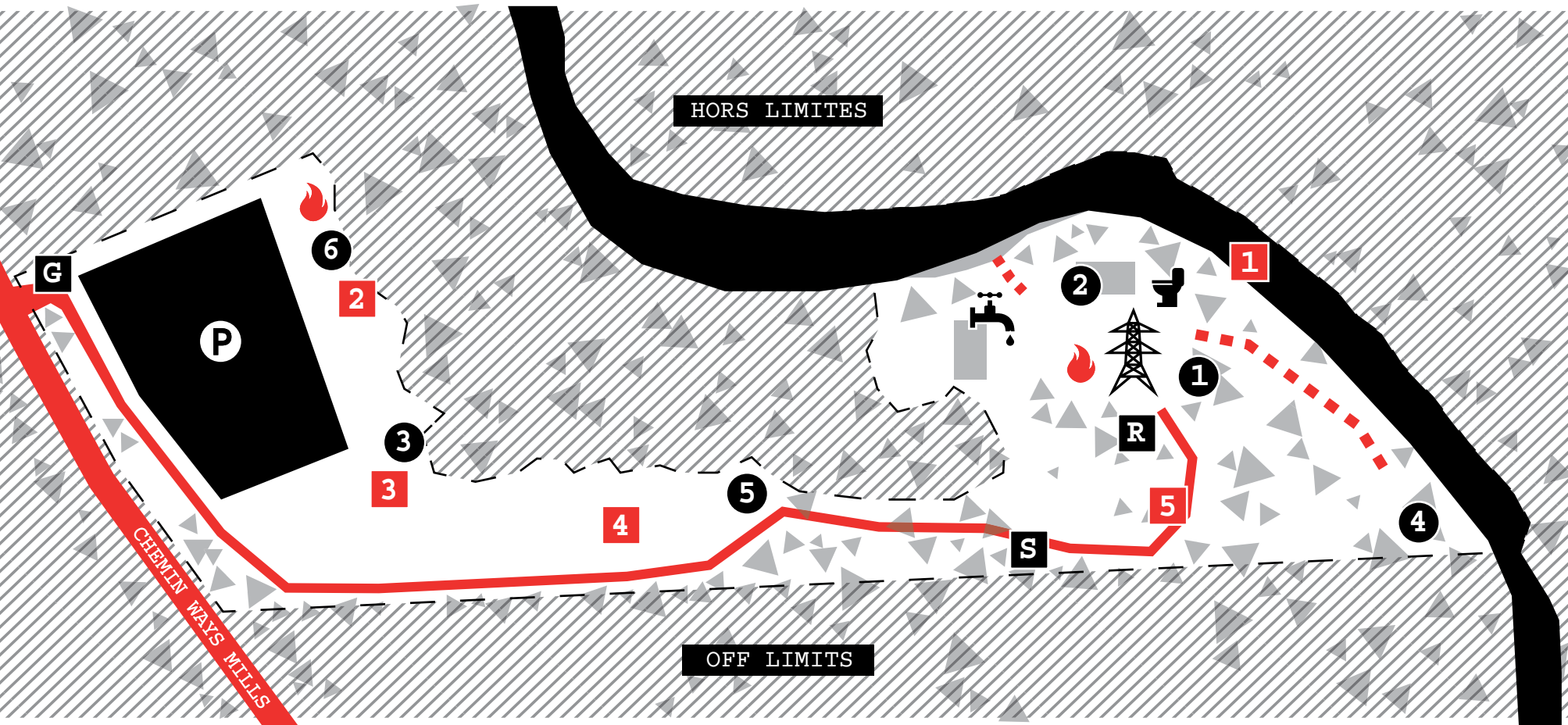
Go ahead and pick up everything you see!

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**Thank you for reading this guide.**

**The more it's read, the better the experience is for everyone at L'OsstidBurn.**





## CAMPS

- ① BETH
- ② COMPLAINERS GO HOME
- ③ DARK UNION
- ④ LE HAVRE
- ⑤ RATIONAL HIPPIES
- ⑥ WUBBA LUBBA DUB DUB

## ART

- ① FER DE LYS
- ② JE ME SOUVIENS
- ③ HOT BRASS
- ④ LIGHT THE NIGHT
- ⑤ SCREAM BOOTH

## LEXIQUE

- G GATE
- P PARKING
- R RANGERS
- S SANCTUARY
- /// HORS LIMITES / OFF LIMITS