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Publication of articles by writers-in-residence with
Circus Stories, Le cirque vu par... organised by En Piste

Following the success of the second edition of *Circus Stories, Le cirque vu par...* En Piste, the national circus arts network, is proud to announce the online publication of a collection of articles on contemporary circus.

During the course of this writing residency for cultural journalists organised by En Piste, the ten participants gained knowledge on contemporary circus. Fully immersed in the Montreal circus world, they had an extraordinary experience. Kim Campbell, Crystal Chan, Maxime D.-Pomerleau, Josianne Desloges, Rebecca Galloway, Roy Gomez Cruz, Stephen Hunt, Janie Mallet, Robin J. Miller and Kathleen Smith met with artists, designers, and experts from the circus arts milieu. The journalists also discussed various shows they attended during the MONTREAL COMPLÈTEMENT CIRQUE festival. The journalists were from Canada - Calgary, Quebec City, Moncton, Montreal, Toronto, Victoria - and Chicago in the United States.

Newly aware of the issues surrounding contemporary circus and of the extent of the artistic landscape, the journalists deepened their reflection on circus dramaturgy and on new trends in the field. They've shared their thoughts and comments in their texts.

The journalists unanimously enjoyed their circus stay and stressed the value of the residency, noting that they learned a great deal about contemporary circus. Organisers and participants were pleased with this second edition, and En Piste strongly hopes to realise a third edition next year.

Stories Circus, Le cirque vu par... aims to raise public awareness about circus by enabling journalists to get to know the many faces of contemporary circus. This initiative of En Piste was supported by the Canada Council of the Arts and the Conseil des arts de Montréal. The event, hosted by Yohann Floch, is inspired by the European formula *Unpack the Arts*.

Every journalist who attended the residency produced an article in the publication [Circus Stories, Le cirque vu par... 2015 edition](#), released on the website of En Piste. *Bonne lecture!*

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