

**McGill University**  
**Integrated Program in Neuroscience**  
**Inaugural Retreat Program**

**September 17-18, 2009**

**At the:**

**Centre Mont-Royal, Montreal**



# **The McGill University Integrated Program in Neuroscience Inaugural Retreat Program**

**September 17-18, 2009  
Centre Mont Royal  
2200 Mansfield Street, Montreal H3A 3R8**

---

## **Program Contents**

---

<b>Sponsors and Acknowledgements</b>	<b>Page 2</b>
<b>Retreat Schedule</b>	<b>Page 3</b>
<b>Floor Plans for Poster Sessions</b>	
- 3rd Floor	<b>Page 7</b>
- 4th Floor	<b>Page 8</b>
<b>Floor Plan for Talk Sessions: Salon Mont-Royal</b>	<b>Page 9</b>
<b>List of Exhibitors</b>	<b>Page 10</b>
<b>GSAN Retreat Social Events</b>	
- Thomson House Party	<b>Page 11</b>
- La Mouche Party	<b>Page 12</b>

# The McGill University Integrated Program in Neuroscience Inaugural Retreat Program

September 17-18, 2009  
Centre Mont Royal  
2200 Mansfield Street, Montreal H3A 3R8

---

## Sponsors and Acknowledgements

---

- The McGill University Integrated Program in Neuroscience would like to thank the Centres of Excellence for Commercialization and Research (CECR) for funding the Inaugural Retreat.
  
- Additional funds were received from the following sources:
  - [Cousin Chang Productions](#)
  - [Lundbeck Canada](#)
  - [Cedarlane Laboratories Canada](#)
  - [Microscopy Imaging Analysis Cellavie](#)
  
- The IPN would also like to thank the following groups and individuals:
  - Marc Meloche, MNI: Retreat registration and additional programming.
  - Dr. Jing Liu, New World Laboratories: Volunteering her time to seek funding and advertising opportunities.
  - GSAN for organising social events and providing volunteers.



# The McGill University Integrated Program in Neuroscience Inaugural Retreat Program

September 17-18, 2009  
Centre Mont Royal  
2200 Mansfield Street, Montreal H3A 3R8

## Retreat Schedule: Thursday September 17<sup>th</sup>:

---

- **9:00 - 10:00: Arrival, Registration and putting up of Posters.**
  - *Foyers Mont-Royal, Cartier and International*
- **10:00 - 10:30: Welcome and Introductory remarks.**
  - *Salon Mont-Royal*
- **10:30 – 11:30: Opening Plenary Talk: “Translational control of learning and memory.”**  
- [Nahum Sonenberg](#), Dept. of Biochemistry.  
Introduced by Margaret Labban, IPN Ph.D. Student.
  - *Salon Mont-Royal*
- **11:30 – 12:30: Keynote Speaker: “Cognitive Neuroscience at McGill: A History.”**  
- [Brenda Milner](#), Montreal Neurological Institute.  
Introduced by Denise Cook, IPN Ph.D. Student.
  - *Salon Mont-Royal*
- **12:30 – 14:20: Buffet lunch and Poster Session A.**
  - *Foyers Mont-Royal, Cartier and International*
- **14:25 – 16:25: Rapid Round Robin (Scientific Speed Dating):**  
An opportunity for each delegate to meet 10 other individuals to exchange research interests, ideas etc. for ten minutes each.
  - *Salons Cartier and International (Coffee available)*

# The McGill University Integrated Program in Neuroscience Inaugural Retreat Program

September 17-18, 2009  
Centre Mont Royal  
2200 Mansfield Street, Montreal H3A 3R8

---

## Retreat Schedule: Thursday September 17<sup>th</sup> continued:

---

- **16:30 – 17:30: Session 1: “Two Solitudes revisited: The Confluence of Psychiatry with Contemporary Neurobiology.”**  
Coordinator: [Joe Rochford](#), Douglas Mental Health University Institute.  
Presenters:
    - Ian Hellstrom, IPN Graduate Student, Douglas Mental Health University Institute.
    - Leora Yetnikoff, IPN Graduate Student, Douglas Mental Health University Institute.
    - Erin Dickie, IPN Graduate Student, Douglas Mental Health University Institute.
    - *Salon Mont-Royal*
  
  - **17:30 – 19:30: Poster Session A + B** (Beer and wine served)
    - *Foyers Mont-Royal, Cartier and International*
  
  - **19:30 – 19:45: Departure and exodus to GSAN Party at [Thomson House](#) (3650 McTavish Street)**
-

# The McGill University Integrated Program in Neuroscience Inaugural Retreat Program

September 17-18, 2009  
Centre Mont Royal  
2200 Mansfield Street, Montreal H3A 3R8

## Retreat Schedule: Friday September 18<sup>th</sup>:

---

- **08:15 – 09:00: Arrival / Continental Breakfast**
  - *Foyers Mont-Royal, Cartier and International*
  
- **09:00 – 09:50: Opening Speaker :**  
- [Albert Aguayo](#) , Neurology & Neurosurgery, Centre for Research in Neuroscience.
  - *Salon Mont-Royal*
  
- **09:55 – 10:55: Session 2 : “Current topics in Pain Research.”**  
Coordinator: [Jeff Mogil](#), Pain Genetics Lab  
Presenters:
  - [Dr. Petra Schweinhardt](#), Professor, Faculty of Dentistry/IPN
  - [Dr. Laura Stone](#), Professor, Faculty of Dentistry/IPN
  - [Dr. Ji Zhang](#), Professor, Faculty of Dentistry/IPN
  - *Salon Mont-Royal*
  
- **10:55 – 11:15: Coffee Break**
  - *Foyers Cartier and International*
  
- **11:15 – 12:15: Session 3: “Biochemical mechanisms underlying the Memory Trace.”**  
Coordinator: [Wayne Sossin](#), Montreal Neurological Institute.  
Presenters:
  - Joanna Bougie, IPN Graduate Student, Montreal Neurological Institute.
  - Paola Virginia Miguez, Graduate Student, Psychology.
  - Michael Bidnost, Graduate Student, Biochemistry.
  - *Salon Mont-Royal*

# The McGill University Integrated Program in Neuroscience Inaugural Retreat Program

September 17-18, 2009  
Centre Mont Royal  
2200 Mansfield Street, Montreal H3A 3R8

## Retreat Schedule: Friday September 18<sup>th</sup> continued:

---

- **12:15 – 13:30: Buffet lunch and Poster Session B.**
    - *Foyers Mont-Royal, Cartier and International*
  
  - **13:30 – 14:30: Session 4 : “Wiring and Firing: Development of Functional Connections in the Nervous System.”**

Coordinator: [Don Van Meyel](#), Centre for Research in Neuroscience.  
Presenters:

    - Janet Prince, IPN Graduate Student, Montreal Neurological Institute.
    - Yimiao Ou, IPN Graduate Student, Centre for Research in Neuroscience.
    - Neil Schwartz, IPN Graduate Student, Montreal Neurological Institute.
    - Arjun Krishnaswamy, Graduate Student, Physiology.
    - Emma Jones, Postdoctoral Fellow, Centre for Research in Neuroscience.
    - *Salon Mont-Royal*
  
  - **14:30 – 15:30: Closing Talk: "Inherited Neurological Degenerations - Why do the Neurons die?- The view from the Photoreceptor."**

- Professor [Roderick McInnes](#), SickKids, Lady Davis Institute.  
Introduced by Ian Mahar, IPN M.Sc. Student.

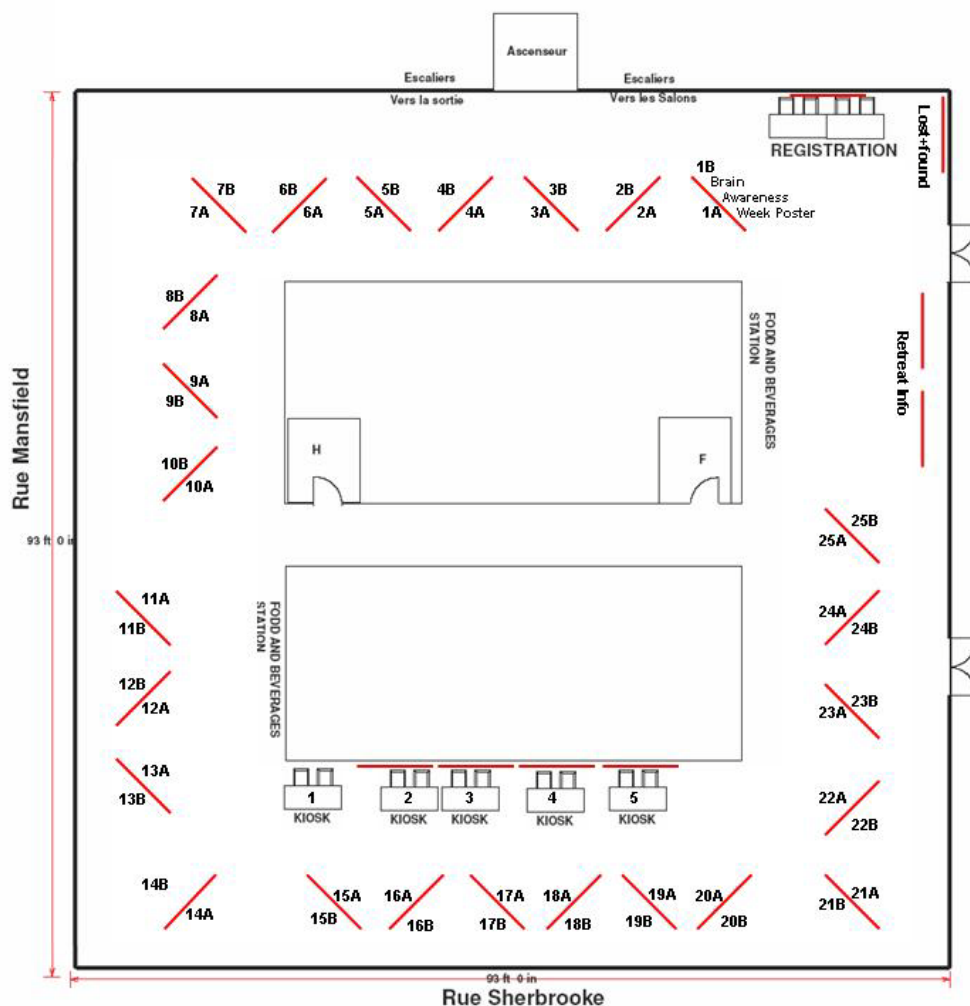
    - *Salon Mont-Royal*
  
  - **15:30 – 15:45: Departure and removal of posters**
  
  - **22:30 – 03:00: GSAN Party at [La Mouche](#), 1284 St-Denis**
-

# The McGill University Integrated Program in Neuroscience Inaugural Retreat Program

September 17-18, 2009  
Centre Mont Royal  
2200 Mansfield Street, Montreal H3A 3R8

## Floor Plans for Poster Sessions:

### FOYER 3RD FLOOR



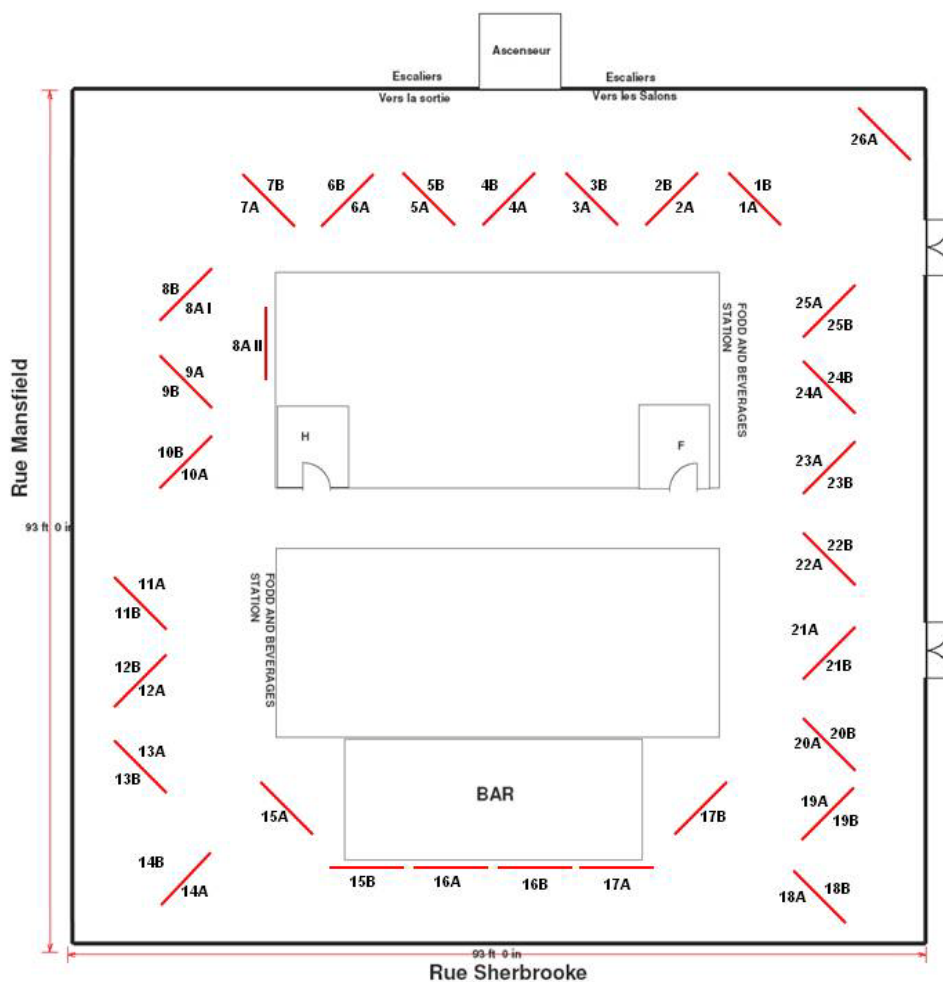


# The McGill University Integrated Program in Neuroscience Inaugural Retreat Program

September 17-18, 2009  
Centre Mont Royal  
2200 Mansfield Street, Montreal H3A 3R8

## Floor Plans for Poster Sessions:

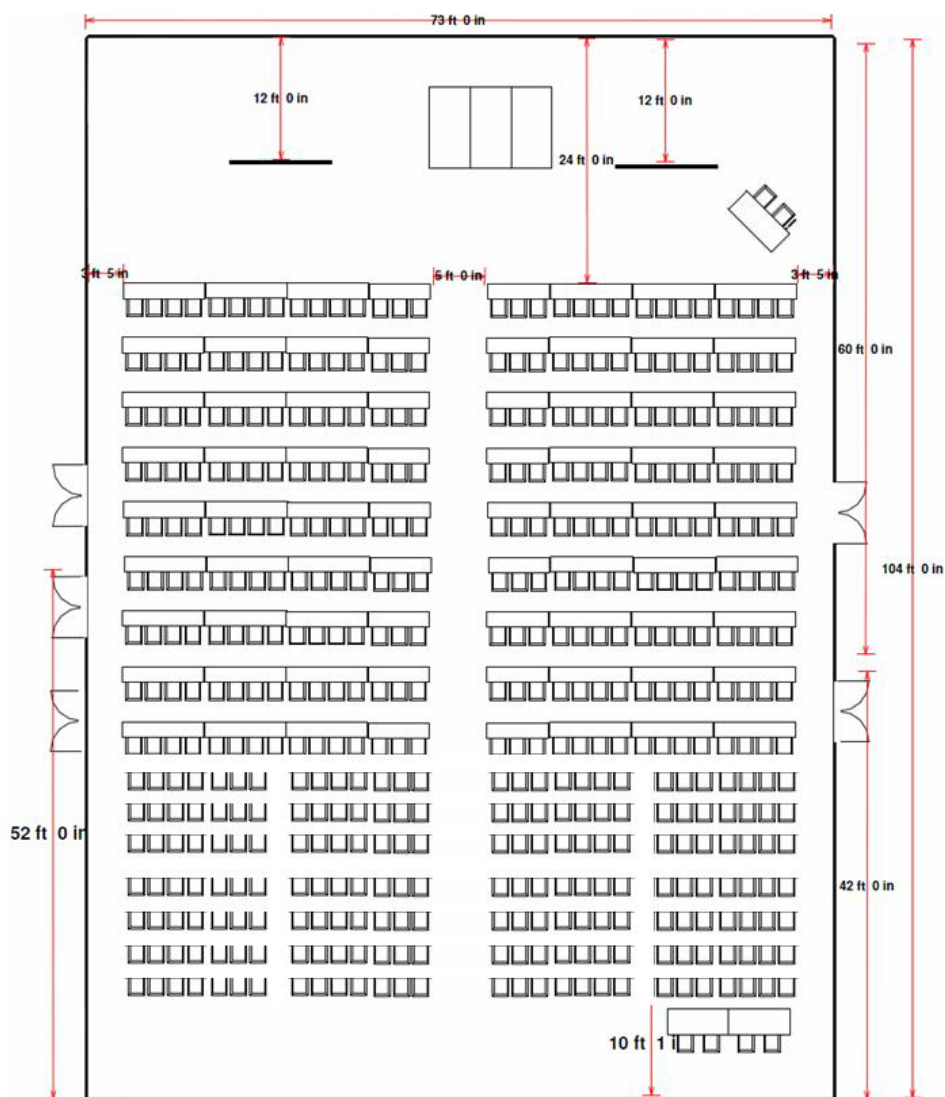
### FOYER 4TH FLOOR



# The McGill University Integrated Program in Neuroscience Inaugural Retreat Program

September 17-18, 2009  
Centre Mont Royal  
2200 Mansfield Street, Montreal H3A 3R8

## Floor Plan for Talk Sessions: Salon Mont-Royal



# The McGill University Integrated Program in Neuroscience Inaugural Retreat Program

September 17-18, 2009  
Centre Mont Royal  
2200 Mansfield Street, Montreal H3A 3R8

---

---

## List of Exhibitors (Level 3 Foyer)

---

- Kiosk 1: [Cedarlane Laboratories Canada](#)
- Kiosk 2: McGill [Cell Imaging and Analysis Network \(CIAN\)](#)
- Kiosk 3: [Microscopy Imaging Analysis CELLAVIE](#)
- Kiosk 4: McGill Life Sciences Complex [Imaging Facility](#)
- Kiosk 5: Graduate Students Association for Neuroscience (GSAN)
- 
-

---

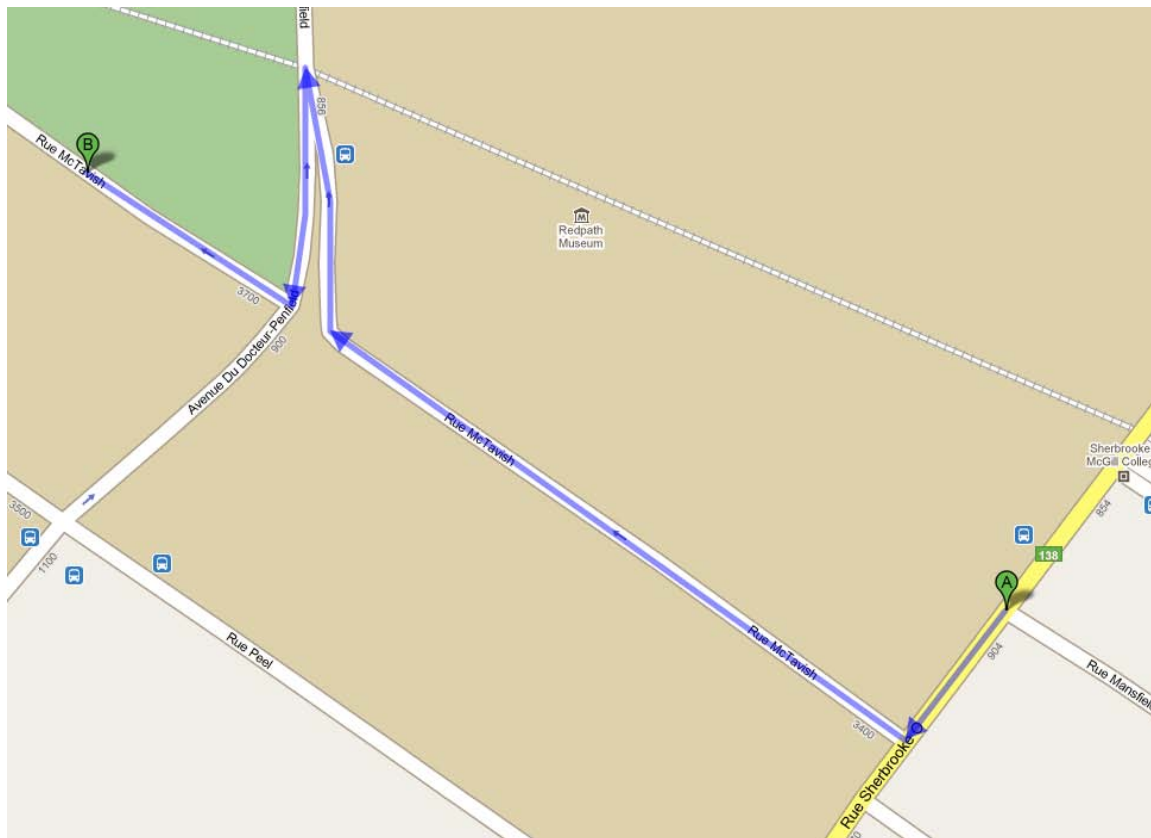
---

## GSAN Retreat Social Events

---

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September, 20:00 to 01:00**

**Thomson House (3650 McTavish St.):** The official McGill University Graduate student house will be the destination for our first night out. We have reserved the restaurant downstairs just for the IPN retreat, food will be provided, and our very own DJ MattP will be entertaining us with the beats for the night, no tickets needed. All are welcome. Drinks are available all night for a cheap price.





---

## GSAN Retreat Social Events

---

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September, 23:00 to 03:00**

**La Mouche Nightclub (184 St. Denis):** is a trendy new club on St. Denis and St. Catherine, meant for a somewhat older crowd (21+), dress code usually entails smart casual attire. Tickets will provide you with free entrance (arrange to pick up your **free tickets** at the GSAN booth, or with a GSAN Exec). We have two large VIP sections booked just for IPN retreat members and guests. Free bottle service will begin at 10:30pm, and will continue all night or until the alcohol runs out. Come out and enjoy good music, a good atmosphere, nice company, and drinks. Cheers!

Looking forward to seeing you all there!

