

CONFERENCES AND ACTIVITIES ON THE ISSUE OF WATER

Champ Libre has invited several organisms to bring an informative and educative dimension to Eaux Arts Electroniques !

EAU SECOURS ! (www.eausecours.org)

The organization endeavours to promote equal access and responsible use of vital and strategic water resources under the principles of fairness, concern for public health, responsible development and collective decision-making.

- Let the Canadians have the water counter de Gaétan Breton : Are the water counters in the house useful ? Eau Secours is opposed to it.

Thursday May 21st at 7:00

- The Drinking water from the aqueducts and its state of Martine Ouellet : Citizens wonder about the quality of water but it's difficult to detect it only by the taste or the colour.

Friday May 22nd at 7:00 pm

- Who own the water? of Luc Legault : What is our relation with water in our everyday life ? How did this situation evolve ? Luc Legault tells us the history of the water within this years.

Sunday May 23rd at 2:00 pm

- The situation of lakes and rivers of André Hade : A common possession threaten by the difficulty of access by our ways of water.

Sunday May 23rd at 4:00 pm

INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT OF WATER (www.i-s-w.org)

Born of the will of a group of experienced practitioners of all sectors of international cooperation, the

ISW is an international, non-governmental organisation whose mandate is the application of the four

principles stated in the Montreal Charter on Drinking Water and Sanitation adopted in June 1990:

Benoît Mailloux will present us the report of the World Youth Parliament for Water in 2002 by posters

and documentation realised by young people who have participated to the event. Within the context of a

structured democratic debate (presentations, discussions, debates, votes, etc) the initiative gave young people

from all regions of the world the opportunity to create a water law and to debate the following 4 themes:

- Access to water and sanitation as a fundamental human right
- Sustainability parameters: in particular, the cost of water services
- Local and national water governance
- International solidarity in water management issues

The documents of The ISW will be at the disposal to the public during all the event and Benoît Mailloux will be present on Sunday.

H2O CANADA (www.h2o.net)

By their web site, H2O (France) and h2o Canada are offering a variety of advisory services (often done in partnership) such as the participation of water and sanitation programs in developing countries (notably in Africa and in Latin America.), monthly news edition, the realization of editorial contents, a water image bank, and multimedia exhibition on the water.