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## Evening Presentation Notice

**Date:** **Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021**  
**Time** **19:00**  
**Location:** **Live via Facebook in your kitchen, living room, office...**  
**Organized by:** The Montréal SMPTE  
**Sponsored by:** SMPTE Montreal  
**Language:** French

**Subjects:** **NFB Montreal new technical spaces virtual visit**

**IMPORTANT:** This presentation, open to all, will be available via a live streaming service on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/SMPTEMTL/>).

Your SMPTE-MTL committee is proud to team-up with Jimmy Fournier and the entire NFB to present an evening on a virtual visit of the NFB new technical spaces in Montreal.

The presentation and material will be in French and questions may be asked in French or English.

The evening will be hosted on Facebook where you will be invited to interact with us and ask your questions.

A "door prize" will be awarded among all participants at the end of the evening.

### Evening Schedule:

**19:00 – 20:30: Virtual visit of the NFB new technical spaces in Montreal**

After 63 years on Chemin de la Côte-de-Liesse, the National Film Board of Canada has opened a new chapter in its history by moving its head office to Îlot Balmoral, in the heart of Montreal's Quartier des spectacles. From September 9, 2019 to the end of October 2019, nearly 400 people - employees, experts, artisans and artists - moved into these new premises dedicated to the production and distribution of documentaries, author's animations and interactive works.

For their part, the conservation room ("the vaults") and the digitization of the collection room moved, in November 2019, to a new building on Cousens Street in Ville St-Laurent.

This evening will take you on a virtual tour of the technical areas of its new buildings.

Some of the artisans who have planned these spaces or who work there will describe their particularities to you.

### Biographies:

**Host and Presenter: Jimmy Fournier, ing. - Director R&D, Engineering and Digital Platforms, NFB**

R&D and Engineering Manager for 6 years, and Digital Platforms for 1 year, Jimmy joined the NFB as an engineer some 16 years ago. Holder of a bachelor's degree in computer engineering, Jimmy is a member of the OIQ and an ad-hoc director of the SMPTE Montreal chapter. Jimmy has extensive experience in the audiovisual field and has been a leading player in the concepts and operationalization of digitization, restoration, access and preservation of NFB's works. More recently Jimmy was a key player in the technological choices and implementation for the new NFB facilities in downtown Montreal and in the conservation and digitization room in St-Laurent.

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