



***Rivers are walking roads  
that carry us where we want to go.***  
*Blaise Pascal*

Based at Neuville's historic Old Convent (Vieux Couvent), the troupe ***Le Chemin qui marche*** ("The Walking Road") travels all over Quebec and Canada with its creations in object theatre, shadow theatre and puppet theatre, for a varied audience of families, young people and adults. It creates, produces and circulates its shows, short forms or stage forms.

Marionettes, puppets, involved hand puppets, wooden objects, constructions, shadows, paper, the materials are varied, taken from nature, inspired by it, or recycled. The languages involved too are varied, with wordless stories, poetry, literature, storytelling, humour.

This it is that the company's familiar themes include the encounter with the other, respect for diversity, the quest for meaning and beauty, the world's origins and symbolic life.

Cultural animation thus forms an integral part of the creative process. Depending on what its different shows require, the troupe works together with professionals or amateurs, from Quebec, other Canadian provinces, many First Nations, France, the Lebanon and the United States.

***Le Chemin qui marche*** was founded in 2008 within the corporation "Espace Art Nature". Pierre Bérerd, Isabelle Forest and Bénédicte Guillon Verne are the permanent artists of the troupe, which is a member of AQM and UNIMA.

### **Circulation**

The troupe performs across the provinces of Quebec, New-Brunswick and Ontario, in elementary schools, high schools, junior colleges, libraries, cultural centres and performance halls. A tour of France took place in 2009.

Since 2014, it has been invited to several festivals: SpringWorks in Ontario, Festival du conte et de la légende de l'Innuadie, Toronto's WeeFestival, Dimanche des Casteliers. The troupe is part of the adventure of OUF ! Festival Off des Casteliers since its foundation and presents something new there each year.

***Le Chemin qui marche*** is an invitation to walk on the roads of life with the heart of a child.

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