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Montréal, Tuesday, December 17, 2019 — **Bouge de là**, a dance company geared towards young audiences, will celebrate its **20th anniversary in 2020!** Several activities are planned for children and adults throughout the year: a big party at Maison Théâtre on January 5, various charitable activities, many performances of the company's two touring works, a dance party for parents and children, and, of course, lots of surprises!

YOUNG AND OLD INVITED TO THE PARTY

The festivities will start on January 5, which will be a very emotional day. It marks the final performance of a major series of 29 presentations of *Through My Eyes* at La Maison Théâtre and the broadcast of a first recorded performance of *The 26 Letter Dance* on ICI TÉLÉ, filmed by Société Radio-Canada. That's a day worth celebrating! At La Maison Théâtre, in addition to the performance of *Through My Eyes*, the program will include treats, surprises, colourful creations and interactive stations—all capped off with a large-screen showing of *The 26 Letter Dance*. This is a wonderful opportunity to wrap up the holidays and participate in just one of many events in 2020 that will mark the twenty years of Bouge de là. We invite all children, parents, teachers, friends, collaborators, partners and the media to join in the festivities.

THE 26 LETTER DANCE AND SOCIÉTÉ RADIO-CANADA

In 2019, *The 26 Letter Dance* became the first work for young audiences to be filmed by Société Radio-Canada, which acquired the broadcast rights for one year on the SRC and ARTV networks and for two years on the TOU.TV, TOU.TV Extra and illico web platforms. Recently performed for the 250th time, *The 26 Letter Dance* has been online since December 29 for anyone to watch again and again at their convenience. The show will be broadcast on ICI Télé on January 5, 2020, at 5 p.m.



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BOUGE DE LÀ: PROMOTING DANCE FOR 20 YEARS

Established in 2000 by Hélène Langevin, Bouge da là creates, performs and distributes prime quality dance pieces for young audiences, while also developing a range of cultural actions to promote dance. The company remains one of the rare professional dance companies in Québec devoted exclusively to creating dance presentations for children. In permanent residence at Maison culturelle et communautaire de Montréal-Nord since 2006, Bouge de là presents contemporary dance shows that are full of humour and poetry, and also incorporate various other artistic disciplines, including video, theatre and shadow puppets. The company has eight works in its repertoire. The most recent creation, *Through My Eyes*, was recently awarded the CALQ Prize for Best Choreographic Work in Québec for 2018–2019 at the Prix de la danse de Montréal. In 2017, Bouge de là launched the educational dance game 26 cartes à danser, an initiative that has been warmly received by teachers, parents and funding organizations. To date, the company has touched the lives of over 300,000 young people through more than 1,300 performances of its repertoire across Canada and, more recently, in China and Mexico.