

# boussaroque

Urban Folk



## SHOWS & CONCERTS

**boussaroque** is a brand new Montreal ensemble. The quartet plays an exciting blend of Celtic material: Gaelic, Scottish and Quebec songs, reels and jigs from here and elsewhere. Their arrangements are infused with subtle world music, classical, jazz and even electro influences. Their performances highlight the musicians' virtuosity and their rare talent as multi-instrumentalists.

The singer and musician **Ingrid** is at the heart of **boussaroque**. She has spent the last four years on the mythical Isle of Barra (Scotland). She collected there a vast repertoire, on top of being awarded two gold medals in Gaelic singing competitions! In Montreal, where she was previously the artistic director of *La Mandragore*, Ingrid's work has been honoured by the **ADISQ**, the **Prix Opus**, and all the **Arts Councils**.

To the usual folk instruments like mandolin, guitar, banjo, and foot tapping, **boussaroque** makes a few special additions like the bamboo flute, the kantele (a beautiful Finnish harp), the bagpipe, but also the cello and the vocorhythm (our neologism for human beatbox).

The group presents three main concerts/shows, but it is possible to combine those programs of course. All performance can be commented in French or in English.

**LA VEILLÉE/THE CEILIDH** An energetic evening inspired by the music nights of old, the "veillées", the "ceilidh", the "sessions"... The audience gets acquainted with traditional group dances, from Scotland and Quebec, and is also invited to sing, to move, to participate... and to have fun!

**BARAGWIN** is a concert where the regional languages are the stars: Quebec French, Gaelic, Breton, Cajun French, Mountain Speech, Scot, Frenglish, etc.

**LA ROUTE D'ALBA** From Montreal Island to the Scottish Hebrides, this musical journey is punctuated by Gaelic songs and historical anecdotes. This concert can be presented in duet or trio if desired.

## GROUP MEMBERS

<b>Ingrid</b>	voice, kantele, wind instruments, foot tapping
<b>François Pelletier</b>	voice, guitar, banjo, buzuki
<b>Mario Giroux</b>	cello, mandolin
<b>Dominique Laguë</b>	voice, vocorhythm

## WORKSHOPS, INSTRUMENT BOOTH, STREET ENTERTAINMENT

Experienced teachers, **boussaroque**'s musicians propose different workshops for all audiences: gaelic singing, Scottish dance, percussive singing (from puirt a bial to turlute, not forgetting beatboxing!), instruments workshops, etc.

The **World Tradition Booth** is a stand that display over 50 instruments of various origins. Our musicians explain and demonstrate but the public can also try and touch.

Our musicians offer as well street performances or can lead « charivaris » : these impromptu parades involve the audience members, who become improvised musicians, using anything they can find to make music (pots, pans, utensils and much more).

## LINKS

Website: [www.boussaroque.com](http://www.boussaroque.com)

Facebook Page : [www.facebook.com/boussaroqueband](https://www.facebook.com/boussaroqueband)

Youtube Channel : <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiP9why7cFSzNCyb14gieYg>

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