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# Five Outstanding Concerts to Celebrate Otakuthon's 20th Anniversary in Music

Montreal, July 11, 2025 — To mark its 20th anniversary, Otakuthon—Canada's largest bilingual anime festival—is pulling out all the stops with a spectacular musical lineup that celebrates Japanese and geek culture. In addition to the events held at the Palais des congrès de Montréal, this milestone edition will feature no fewer than five concerts at the prestigious salle Wilfrid-Pelletier at Place des Arts.

The stage will come alive on **Friday, August 8 at 18:00** with MindaRyn, the dynamic anisong and J-pop artist known for her original songs, standout covers, and vibrant YouTube presence. Her electrifying solo concert—her second in Canada—promises a high-energy experience the whole family can enjoy. This performance is presented in collaboration with J-rock North Promotions Inc. and Bandai Namco Music Live Inc.

Get ready for an electrifying experience with **Kazuso Oda**, better known as **CODA**, the official voice behind numerous *JoJo's Bizarre Adventure* themes—performing for the first time in Canada! Winner of the Kobe Award for Best Anime Song and a member of the famed group JO☆STARS, CODA will bring his signature energy to a powerful live show on **Friday, August 8 at 22:00**.

On **Saturday**, **August 9 at 11:30**, the **Orchestre de Jeux Vidéo** (OJV) will take you on a sonic journey through two decades of iconic video game music. This immersive orchestral concert pays tribute to the emotional power and evolving soundscapes of gaming. A must-see for gamers and music lovers alike.

**SPYAIR**, the iconic anisong rock band, will take the spotlight on **Saturday, August 9 at 17:30**. Known for their explosive sound and infectious energy, SPYAIR promises an unforgettable live performance filled with sing-along moments. Don't miss this unique encounter where music, anime culture, and emotion collide! This concert is presented in partnership with J-rock North Promotions Inc. and Sony Music Labels Inc.

Finally, in collaboration with Kashamara Productions, an emotional and immersive experience awaits on **Sunday, August 10 at 14:00**. Relive the intensity of **Demon Slayer: Kimetsu no Yaiba** like never before! The "**Unwavering Resolve**" arc comes to life with a stunning orchestral performance, fully

synchronized to scenes from the anime projected on a giant screen. A powerful fusion of music and visual storytelling, perfect for fans of all ages.

Discounted tickets are available to badge holders for all concerts at Place des Arts with the code OTAK25.

#### WHEN?

Friday, August 8, 2025 Saturday, August 9, 2025 Sunday, August 10, 2025

### WHERE?

Place des Arts — salle Wilfrid-Pelletier 175 rue Sainte-Catherine Ouest, Montréal (Québec) H2X 3X5 Canada

#### **ABOUT OTAKUTHON**

Otakuthon is Canada's largest bilingual festival celebrating Japanese animation (anime), manga, gaming, and pop culture. As Montreal's first event of its kind, Otakuthon is a full-fledged bilingual anime convention featuring a diverse lineup of special guests, along with numerous panels, activities, and events that highlight every aspect of Japanese culture. Each year, the convention comes to life thanks to the dedication and hard work of passionate volunteers who generously give their time to create a festival made by fans, for fans.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Website: http://www.otakuthon.com/2025/home/

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