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Santropol Roulant's Beekeeping Collective is seeking new members!

About Us:

Santropol Roulant's Beekeeping Collective is a group of beekeepers working to support the permanence and the sustainability of the beekeeping community in Montreal. We promote the interests of bees and beekeepers to maintain a healthy and vibrant urban beekeeping practice in Montreal. Our hives are located on the rooftop of Santropol Roulant (111 Roy St) and McGill's Frank Dawson Adams Building. We are looking for new volunteers to create a good mix of people with a range of skills and experience to keep our hives healthy and happy!

What is a collective?

Collectives are non-hierarchical organizations in which each member has equal power. The SR Beekeeping Collective encourages the expression multiple points of view, and members respect and listen to each other. Responsibilities such as facilitation, note-taking and presentations rotate between members, ensuring that each member has a place in the collective, no matter what one's level of experience, education, language, age, gender, ethnic origin, political opinions, or sexual orientation. Working as a collective is above all a way to learn from each others. The collective is defined by its members and therefore is always evolving.

Our objectives:

- Maintain the health of our beehives;
- Offer hands-on experience to train new urban beekeepers;
- Experiment with beekeeping in an urban setting;
- Connect citizens to the source of their food;
- Highlight the importance of honey bees as pollinators;
- Dispel common misconceptions about bees.

All while remaining *financially sustainable* and having fun while we work *as a collective*.

Being a member of the collective gives you the opportunity to:

- Gain thousands of new winged friends;
- Learn how to manage urban beehives in a hands-on, self-instructed way;
- Learn alongside other (novice) urban beekeepers;
- Have your voice heard and be an equal member of the collective;
- Share your knowledge and experience.

Each member of the collective has the responsibility to:

- Contribute to maintaining the health of Santropol Roulant's hives and their surroundings;
- Take ownership of their own learning process on urban beekeeping;
- Share his/her knowledge with the community;
- Attend weekly meetings (2h/week) held on Wednesdays from 6-8pm;
- Dedicate a few hours (3h/week on average) outside of weekly meetings to ensure that our activities run smoothly (hive inspections, blog, public requests, outreach, etc.);
- Be involved on a weekly basis from March to October (beekeeping season) and on a monthly basis from November to February (beekeeper's vacation!);
- Stay in touch with other members through our mailing list.

How to apply:

Please complete the form at the following address (<http://goo.gl/forms/kqyJ4DiWi>) before **February 10th**. Please note that the first meeting will be held around mid-March.



Because of the nature of the work, we can only accept a limited number of new members. We will respond to all applications by the end of February. Thank you for your interest in Santropol Roulant's beekeeping collective! For more information, check out our [website](#), our [blog](#) or our [Facebook](#) page. Please contact us at apiculture@santropolroulant.org if you are having issues with your application.