

Lachine Canal Cycle - Lock # 1, Lock # 2 and Boundary Districts

The Lachine Canal originates in the Old Port. Lock # 1 is just behind our meeting point at McGill Street. Two hundred meters to the west, at Mill Street, is Lock # 2.

On the other side of Lock # 2 is the Peel Basin, formerly known as the "flour bassin" as it was used for the transportation of flour at the time western wheat was shipped to Europe. The neighborhoods bordering these locks mainly include Old Port and Griffintown.

There are numerous interesting spots to draw. The below list will surely stimulate your creativity:

- Daniel McAllister (1907), a former Great Lakes tugboat which was in service, in the Port of Montreal, from 1967 to 1980, is now permanently stationed between Locks 1 and 2
- Grain elevator # 5 in service from 1903 to 1994 at the junction of marine and rail transportation as a railway crosses the silo.
- The Old Port with its quays:
 - o King Edward Quay with the Montreal Science Center
 - o Conveyor dock and tower
 - o Port of Montreal's Grand Quay and cruise terminal (formerly Alexandra Pier); its huge green roof accessible by the grand staircase at 200 de la Commune street and Iberville's promenade allows a beautiful view of lock # 1, Habitat 67 and silo # 5
- Mill Street Bridge provides views of Lock # 2 and Peel Basin
- oTENTik campground at silo # 5 - it will be open to campers from June 21st.
- The Bota-Bota water spa and its home gardens
- Old industrial buildings on Mill Street
- Seagulf Nautical Shop at 815 Mill Street
- Views on rebuilding the Griffintown neighborhood
- The former barracks 21 transformed into a glass space OBNL for glass creation at 1200 Mill Street
- The Bonaventure Expressway, which offers interesting perspectives
- The first deck section of the future REM over Peel Basin.