

Les Disques Artiste

Our Mission, Your Ambitions...

Les Disques Artiste is an independent label that has been making its mark on the music scene for over twenty years. The quality and diversity of its recordings, the attention and care given to every aspect of its craft have helped the company build a reputation of excellence in the Quebec music industry.

Focussed on developing enduring artistic careers, company founder Paul Lévesque and his tireless collaborators Caroline Cloutier and Claude Marcheterre, wear the many hats of producer, manager and publisher simultaneously.

Some Background

Paul Lévesque is only nineteen years old when he invites a young musician by the name of **Frank Marino** and his little known rock band, **Mahogany Rush** to headline a festival Lévesque was organizing at Place des Nations. Even though no one has even heard of them, the band blows the audience away! And so, the career of Mahogany Rush is launched. Paul becomes their manager and Marino, considered the Hendrix of the '80, embarks upon a prominent international career with his band. In thirteen years of collaboration, Lévesque, Marino and Mahogany Rush released ten albums, headlined three world tours and sold over a million records.

Paul then goes on to manage many other nationally acclaimed artists, such as multiple Félix and Juno award winner **Luba** as well as Sylvain Cossette's former band **Paradox**. Buoyed by his string of successes and determined to contribute more directly to the development of his artists, Paul finally launches his own label, **Les Disques Artiste** in 1987.

With the signing of **Bruno Pelletier** two years later, the label achieves its first major success. And it's a fruitful collaboration that is still going strong in 2009 with the release of *Microphonium*, Bruno Pelletier's tenth album. Among the label's other recent releases are the live recording of the musical *Dracula – Entre l'amour et la mort* as well as *J'oublierai* from up-and-coming young artist **Marie-Pier Perreault** and the album *Pour ne pas être seul* from the very talented singer/songwriter **Mathieu Provençal**.

Being comprised of such a seasoned and professional team of collaborators, **Les Disques Artiste** ensures that each one of its artists feels respected, cared for and supported by the label. Demonstrating creativity, establishing long-lasting business relationships and proposing strong career plans that are designed to suit each individual are some of the many values driving every member of the company's team.

Regardless of the industry's ups and downs, the pervasiveness of the Internet, music's dreams – and its realities, **Les Disques Artiste** is, and always will be unstoppable...