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## **QUEBEC CITY TO HOST WORLD CUP OF TENNIS AS TEAM CANADA WILL FACE FRANCE IN THE QUALIFIERS 2<sup>ND</sup> ROUND**

***Félix Auger-Aliassime confirms his presence for the Davis Cup tie which will take place  
at Centre Vidéotron from September 18-19, 2026***

**[QUEBEC CITY, QC] May 20, 2026** – Tennis Canada will host the Davis Cup Qualifiers 2nd Round tie between Team Canada presented by IGA and France at the Centre Vidéotron in Quebec City from September 18-19, 2026, it was announced on Wednesday. The winner of the tie will advance to the Davis Cup Finals, set to take place in November 2026 in Bologna, Italy.

Born and raised in Quebec City, Félix Auger-Aliassime – currently ranked No. 5 in the world – has already confirmed his participation in the event. He will have the opportunity to play a professional match in the region where he grew up for the first time in his career, a moment that promises to be particularly meaningful for him.

“I’m truly excited that Canada’s next Davis Cup tie will be played in Québec City this coming September,” said Félix Auger-Aliassime. “It will be the first time I have the opportunity to represent my country in my hometown, and it will definitely be a very special moment for me. I grew up and was initiated to tennis here, and I consider it a tremendous honour to now compete in front of my family and the fans from here. I already know the crowd’s energy is going to be incredible, and I’ll give everything I have on court to help our team earn the victory.”

“We are delighted to return to Québec City next September for our Davis Cup tie against France,” said Frank Dancevic, captain of Team Canada. “It will be the first time since the 1970s that our team has had the chance to play in Québec City, and we are already very excited to experience the atmosphere that a sold-out Centre Vidéotron can create. Québec fans are known for their passion and energy, and we know they will be behind us throughout the weekend. It will obviously be a particularly special moment for Félix, who will have the opportunity to represent Canada in his hometown, in front of his family and supporters. We will arrive ready and motivated, with one objective in mind: to secure the victory and qualify Canada for the Davis Cup Finals.”

During the last Davis Cup tie held in Québec City, from October 4 to 6, 1974, at the Pavillon de la jeunesse – where the Centre Vidéotron now stands – Canada fell 4-1 to Mexico. At the time, Team Canada featured Réjean Genois, Anthony Bardley, Pierre Lamarche, and Donald McCormick (who secured Canada’s only win).

Currently ranked No. 12 in the world, Canada will face a tough opponent in France, ranked No. 6. The French team also boasts significant depth in its player pool, including Arthur Fils (No. 19), Arthur Rinderknech (No. 24), Corentin Moutet (No. 32), and Ugo Humbert (No. 34), all of whom have competed in at least one Davis Cup tie since 2025.



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The last meeting between the two countries dates back to March 4, 2016, when France swept Canada 5–0 on clay in Guadeloupe. Notably, Canada’s current captain, Frank Dancevic, was part of the Canadian lineup at the time and played in two matches.

Team Canada advanced to the Davis Cup Qualifiers 2<sup>nd</sup> Round thanks to a 3-2 victory at the Doug Mitchell Thunderbird Sports Centre at the University of British Columbia (UBC) in Vancouver. Newmarket’s Liam Draxl played the hero, winning the decisive match in straight sets, 6-3, 6-4. With the win, Draxl not only secured the tie for Canada but also maintained his perfect record of three singles victories in Davis Cup play.

### **SIGN UP TO BE NOTIFIED WHEN TICKETS GO ON SALE**

Fans interested in attending Canada’s Qualifiers 2<sup>nd</sup> Round tie against France at Vidéotron Centre can sign up to be notified when tickets go on sale.

Click [here](#) to access the registration form.

The players representing Team Canada and France for the tie will be confirmed closer to the event. Two singles matches will be played on Friday, September 18, followed by a doubles match and two singles matches on Saturday, September 19\*. Match times will be announced in due course. \*If the tie is decided following the doubles match, the last singles match may not be contested.

Tennis Canada also confirmed that TVA Sports will be the official French broadcaster in Canada for the Davis Cup tie held in Quebec City. Further details regarding English broadcasting will be confirmed in the coming months.

### **ADDITIONAL QUOTES**

#### **Bruno Marchand, Mayor of Quebec City**

“Every time Quebec City is considered to host a major sporting event, the City shows up—and today’s announcement is a powerful testament to that. This will be the first time the Centre Vidéotron hosts professional tennis, demonstrating its versatility and its capacity to welcome large-scale international events. The arrival of the Davis Cup in Quebec City strengthens our position as a leading sports and tourism destination, and the return home of Félix Auger-Aliassime—who has made us proud on the global tours for several years—will undoubtedly inspire many of our young athletes. We’ll see you in September!”

#### **Samantha McKinley, Director of Destination Québec cité**

“Destination Québec Cité is proud to support a Davis Cup stage held in Quebec City. This major event will allow tennis fans from Quebec—and across Canada—to come cheer on our professional athletes in an electrifying atmosphere. Once again, it confirms that Quebec City is a vibrant city, capable of hosting major sporting events and bringing people together around powerful, dynamic, and unifying experiences.”



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**Valérie Tétrault, Vice President, Communications and Professional Tournaments at Tennis Canada and Tournament Director**

“We are very pleased to be able to present this Davis Cup tie in Québec City, and in a world-class venue like the Centre Vidéotron. Québec has always been a great tennis city, playing a key role in the development of the sport across the province and the country, and the strong return of professional tennis to the city over the past year therefore feels entirely natural. Beyond the competition itself, these Davis Cup ties represent a unique opportunity to showcase world-class tennis to local fans and to inspire the next generation.”

**Martin Tremblay, President of Gestev**

“The Davis Cup at the Centre Vidéotron is exactly the kind of event that showcases a destination and brings an entire community together. We are very proud to collaborate with Tennis Canada to host this international-level tie in Quebec City. Together, we are putting everything in place to transform the arena into a setting filled with powerful emotions, where every point will be experienced intensely by the fans.”

**About Tennis Canada**

Founded in 1890, Tennis Canada is a non-profit, national sport association with a mission to lead the growth, development and promotion of tennis in Canada and a vision to be a world-leading tennis nation. We value teamwork, passion, integrity, innovation and excellence. Tennis Canada owns and operates the premier National Bank Open presented by Rogers WTA and ATP Tour events, four professional ATP and ITF sanctioned events and financially supports four other professional tournaments in Canada. Tennis Canada operates junior national training centres/programs in Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver. Tennis Canada is a proud member of the International Tennis Federation, the Canadian Olympic Committee and the Canadian Paralympic Committee, and serves to administer, sponsor and select the teams for Davis Cup, Billie Jean King Cup, the Olympic and Paralympic Games and all wheelchair, junior and senior national teams. Tennis Canada invests its surplus into tennis development. For more information on Tennis Canada please visit our website at: [www.tenniscanada.com](http://www.tenniscanada.com) and follow us on LinkedIn, X, Facebook and Instagram.

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