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Replace the Champlain with "the most beautiful bridge in the world"



The Champlain Bridge is Canada's busiest bridge. Its six lanes carry almost 60-million vehicules every year, between the Montreal burough of Verdun and Brossard on the south shore.

The Champlain Bridge was official opened in 1962, but now it's wearing out. It's time to build a new bridge.

At a time when we are hearing a lot of about corruption and cost overruns, some people are bucking the trend.

They're hoping the Champlain Bridge can be replaced with a structure that will become an inconic piece of architecture -- a true gateway to Montreal.

 $\underline{Stephen\ Leopold}\ is\ a\ real\ estate\ developer\ and\ agent.\ He\ is\ the\ founder\ of\ a\ group\ called\ \underline{Audacite\ Montreal}.$

He believes we should replace the Champlain with "the most beautiful bridge in the world."

Listen to Jeanette's conversation with Steven Leopold.



Do you think it's possible to build an architectural masterpiece to replace the Champlain Bridge? Have your say on our Facebook page.

Listen to Jeanette's conversation with two of the world's leading bridge designers, Sebastien Ricard from the UK firm Wilkinson Eyre Architects and Poul Ove Jensen, Director of the Danish firm Dissing + Weitling Architecture.

(Photo: Jeanette Kelly and Stephen Leopold. Credit: Tanya Birkbeck)

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