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A bit of the beautiful city of Vienna, Austria. Filled with coffee houses, art museums, gardens and plenty of history and the architecture that goes with it, it's one of the most beautiful cities in the world. To the left, one of the beautiful art museums, the Albertina. Below left a typical downtown street with a monument to those who died in an epidemic in the middle. Below right is a part of city hall with a revealed Roman ruin in the courtyard.



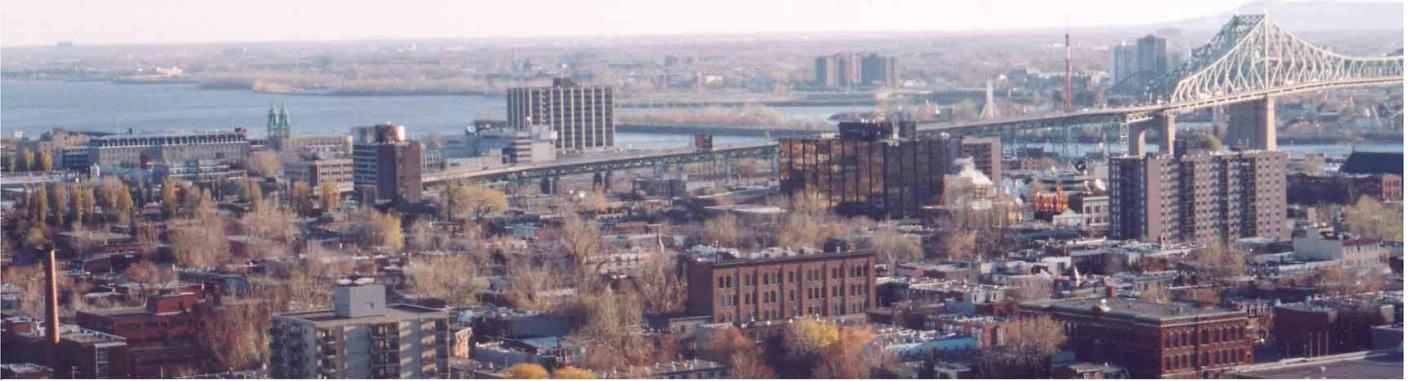
To the left, the Vienna Public Library, with a beautiful park and gardens all around it. Below that is another great contrast, a monument to the former headquarters of the SS during WWII, right in front of the oldest church in Vienna.



Above right, the window, filled with chocolate, at the famous Sacher Hotel (I couldn't help myself) the origin of the Sacher Torte. Below, another famous building, the Vienna Opera House. That's one view of the lobby on the left.



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Above, the Montreal skyline, with a nice view of the St. Lawrence winding through town. Much like New Orleans, influenced, even defined, by its French heritage and its major waterway. The food rivals New Orleans, as well. Any chance to visit shouldn't be missed. That's the Montreal Olympic stadium, with its giant roof-lifting arm to the right. The former Canadiens' stadium, now a mall & theater, to the left with our friends Joanne and Pierre coming down the stairs. Below, a view of Mount Royal ("Mont-Real") from a lovely little park.



Cindi and I got to spend a few days in Chicago over the holidays. If you haven't been there (though I'm obviously prejudiced), you should take any opportunity. It's one of the great cities in the world, by any standard. On the left, I'm in front of the well-known and often photographed Picasso in Daley Square, where they were having a very nice German Christmas Festival. We also, as usual, spent a bit of time in Marshall Fields, the 10-story department store in the heart of downtown. It's famous for its Christmas decorations in the windows and throughout the store. This year was made up of scenes from Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory, as you may recognize from the center photo. On the right, we're in a coffee shop, overlooking State Street. We hope you had a fine holiday, as well.

