

August 2021



LE BULLETIN

de l'Alliance Française de New Haven

P.O. Box 207333, New Haven, CT 06520

<http://alliancefrancaisenewhaven.org/>

A non-profit organization promoting French language and culture

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Parlons Français!



Open to all vaccinated members. Join our Meetup conversation group every other Sunday morning from 10:30 to noon for fun and French discussion.

Beginning August 1, 2021, we will meet at the Graduate Hotel 1151 Chapel Street, New Haven. Aug. 1, 15, 29, Sept. 12, 26

Sunday, August 8, there will be a Zoom conversation hosted by Yvonne Kolodny. If interested, RSVP by sending an e-mail for the link to: info@enturalanguages.com and Yvonne will send you the link.

Books, Sun, and Drinks

Saturday, August 28, 2021 at 4:30 PM

Alliance Book Sale (outdoor event for vaccinated members)

Join the Alliance Française of New Haven on Saturday, August 28, 2021 at the home of Sebastien and Cécile Ladet, 12 Potter Hill Road, Guilford. Are you looking for new French books for you or your children? We are inviting you to our book sale. Bring

the books you want to give away (if you have any) and find new books for your own collection. All books for sale \$5.00 a bag.

Bring your own lawn chair, pic-nic setup, and your own tapas/snacks/nibbles and we will provide you with a bottle of water, beer, juice, etc.

The books booth will be set up in a dedicated area of the yard. Children are more than welcome, there will be some outdoor games, feel free to bring some too.

Date: August 28, 2021 Time: 16h30

Space is limited. To reserve your spot, Send us an email at alliancefrancaisenh@gmail.com



Fall Classes

Stay tuned for information on our our Fall classes starting in September and October. Updates will be on our website :

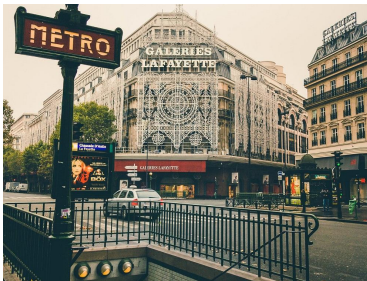
http://alliancefrancaisenewhaven.org/class_registration

Co-sponsored by the Federation of Alliances Françaises USA

Le Métro dans les Arts avec Charles Coulon

August 4 @ 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm EDT \$10

French Cultural Center Alliance Française of Boston



Parisian lovers, join us to learn about how the famous Parisian Métro has influenced art. From *Zazie dans le Métro* to *Le Dernier Métro*, from *Le Poinçonneur des Lilas* to *Y a d'la joie* and from the historic Guimard entrances to the brand new stations on the recently extended line 14, come discover fascinating art themes on the Paris Métro you may not have heard about. This presentation will be followed by a live Q&A, come ready with your questions!

This event is en français and costs \$10 (discount for AF Boston members.) Please click [here](#) to register.

Conversation with Leïla Slimani

August 13 @ 2:00 am - 3:00 pm EDT

Alliance Française de Seattle

Join the [Alliance Française de Seattle](#) and [Elliott Bay Book Company](#) for an exclusive conversation with bestselling author Leïla Slimani, who will discuss her latest book *In the Country of Others* (Le Pays des Autres). AFSeattle instructor Aimie Shaw, PhD, will lead this virtual discussion. Attendees will receive a complimentary copy of the book after the event—offered by AFSeattle. (Please note that guests must attend the virtual event in order to receive a book). This program is supported by STAFE (Dispositif de soutien au tissu associatif des Français à l'étranger).

This event is free and is in English. Please click [here](#)

to register.



Demystifying the French: A Panel Discussion August 28 @ 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm EDT



We've all encountered clichés about the French. We may have heard that the French can be rude and arrogant, and even perhaps that the French may secretly harbor a dislike for Americans. My goodness – ma foi – could these clichés have some truth in them? Or could there, perhaps, be some kind of culturally based misunderstanding going on? Our panel of experts will share their insights, perspectives, and experiences, gathered over the course of many years of living, traveling, and/or working in France, and will take questions from the audience about how to understand, appreciate, and best deal with the sometimes bewildering, often admirable, nearly always

fascinating ways of the French!

This event will be on Zoom and is free for all Alliance Française members, AATF members, and invited guests of the presenter or publicist. Non-members or persons who have no AF chapter nearby can purchase tickets (\$10). Click [here](#) to register.

Rencontre avec Dominique Bona de l'Académie Française, romancière et biographe September 9 @ 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm EDT

"Immortelle" since 2013, Dominique Bona is the eighth woman elected to the French Academy since its creation in 1635. Journalist, literary critic, novelist and biographer, Dominique comes to the Alliance Française Miami Metro to tell us about her passions: the French language, the Academy, the women and men whose biographies she has written, and the inspiration behind the characters in her novels.

This event will be on Zoom and is free for all Alliance Française members, AATF members, and invited guests of the presenter or publicist. Non-members or persons who have no AF chapter nearby can purchase tickets (\$10). Click [here](#) to register. Note that high intermediate or advanced levels of French are recommended, since the entire discussion will be in French.

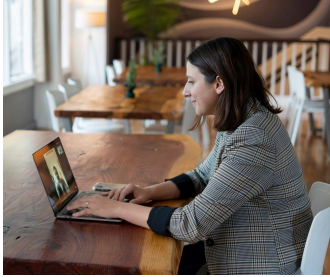


Rencontre avec
Dominique
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THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 9
11:00AM (PT) - 2:00PM (ET)
ONLINE | IN FRENCH
Alliance Française
Miami Metro



Apéro National French Conversation Group August 10 & August 11

Participants are invited to enjoy their favorite beverage during the Federation's "Apéro" conversation. The group is for



intermediate to advanced (or fluent) speakers who are current members of an Alliance Française chapter in the U.S. (if you are not a current member of our Alliance chapter, visit <http://alliancefrancaisnewhaven.org/> to sign up for membership). Native speakers are welcome. This group conversation is for adult participants, ages 17 and up. The national group meets by Zoom for 55 minutes on the second Tuesday and the second Wednesday of each month, and meets in two different time windows to accommodate our

after-work Apéro theme (choose the time that works best for you):

2nd Tuesday of each month @ 5:15 pm ET

2nd Wednesday of each month @ 8:15 pm ET

Participants will need to use Zoom (a free videoconferencing service). To get on the invitation list for the "Apéro-National" sessions, click [here](#).

Info for Sharing- Education, Fun, or Entertainment

- [Macron's messaging](#) to increase vaccinations was discussed in the AP News [article](#).
- [The celebrations](#) in France around le 14 juillet are described in this [article](#).
- [A proposal](#) on the Champs Elysées was enjoyed on [video](#) by millions.
- [Omar Sy](#), the star of Lupin, talks about racism and more in this GQ [article](#).
- [French traditions](#) and attitudes about food are covered in this [article](#).
- [This Washington Post article](#) looks back at the France-Algeria war.
- [Cycling in Paris](#) is covered in this excellent Financial Times [article](#) by Simon Kuper. Note that you may have to take a short survey in order to read the article (the rules for access keep changing . . .).
- [Chef Jacques Pépin](#), who is an honorary board member of the Federation, has been sharing some great videos on his [Facebook page](#).
- [Low voter turnout](#) in France is the subject of this [article](#) on Politico.
- [Russell Kelley](#), VP of AF Miami Metro, traveled July 12 to Paris and provides this helpful [report](#). Note that the situation changes daily so travelers should check with their airlines and other authorities for the latest requirements.
- [Pass or Passe?](#) On a related subject, the Académie Française has just weighed in on whether it's "le pass sanitaire," "la passe sanitaire" or "le passe sanitaire" - view their official decision [here](#) and as described in Le Figaro, [here](#).

Membership Renewal

Dear Colleagues,

Memberships are from Sept.-August. If you have not already renewed your membership, consider renewing now for 2021-2022.

Your benefits include:

- Participation in the events of the Alliance Française (See programs on our website www.alliancefrancaisnewhaven.org)
- Close communication with the Alliance (emails, newsletter, Bulletin)
- Exclusive and free participation in Le Café Littéraire
- Access to the French classes at the Alliance Française of New Haven
- Participation in Le Ciné-Club
- Access to Culturethèque Your French multimedia e-library!
- Links to other Francophones and Francophiles .

Cost: Student: \$30, Senior: \$35, Single: \$45, Couple: \$55, Family: \$60

You may pay online at http://alliancefrancaisnewhaven.org/online_payment or you may pay with a check. Please make checks payable to the Alliance Française of New Haven. Send payment to Alliance Française of New Haven, P.O. Box 207333, New Haven, CT 06520. If full membership is difficult for some during this Covid19 pandemic, please let us know. Send us an email at alliancefrancaisenh@gmail.com

Members and attendees at events/cultural programs should be aware that their picture might be taken and used for our website, advertising, etc. If

you'd prefer not to be photographed, just wave the photographer away.