



Bonjour !

Alliance Française de Las Vegas (AFLV)

Newsletter April 2018

The AFLV plays a vital role in the diversity of our community, promoting the French language and French-speaking cultures in the Las Vegas area.

President's Preface

Dear Members, Students, and Friends,

Just a few days ago, March 20th, was International Francophonie Day. In Paris, French President Emmanuel Macron spoke at the Académie française where he presented his international strategy to promote the French language. The Académie française was created in 1635 to define the rules and to ensure the

proper use of the French language. (As a student struggling with French grammar, I have mixed feelings about l'Académie, but I understand its critical importance.)

His goals for the upcoming year include an increase in resources allocated to 500 French high schools that host 350,000 foreign exchange students worldwide, and to double the number of such students.

He commended the work of the Alliance Française network and would like to see ten new worldwide Alliances per year beginning in 2019. We are proud to be the Alliance serving Las Vegas.

During his speech, President Macron extolled the importance, the dedication, and the commitment of French language teachers. A sentiment that we certainly share for our teachers.

There is a video excerpt on TV5MONDE [HERE](#)

I hope you enjoy it.

Best regards,

Marc Zeman

NEWS

Thank you for attending the conference on March 22 on Alterity in Question: “Alterity in Neon: How Las Vegas Casinos Have Courted, Captured, and Confronted the Other” addressing gaming and gambling as examples of paradoxical human behaviour. We hope that you found the conference informative and worthwhile. Your enthusiasm and your numerous questions helped make our time together both productive and fun.

Thank you again to the American Institute for Levinassian Studies (AILS), President Christian Grusq, and Dr David Schwartz, Director of the UNLV Center for Gaming

Research.



COMING UP IN APRIL



Spring Picnic

Sunday, April 1st 2018 from 12:00PM

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Members of the AFLV get a 10% discount on their purchase.

5K RUN/WALK WITH CIRQUE DU SOLEIL

Saturday, April 14, 2018

Springs Preserve

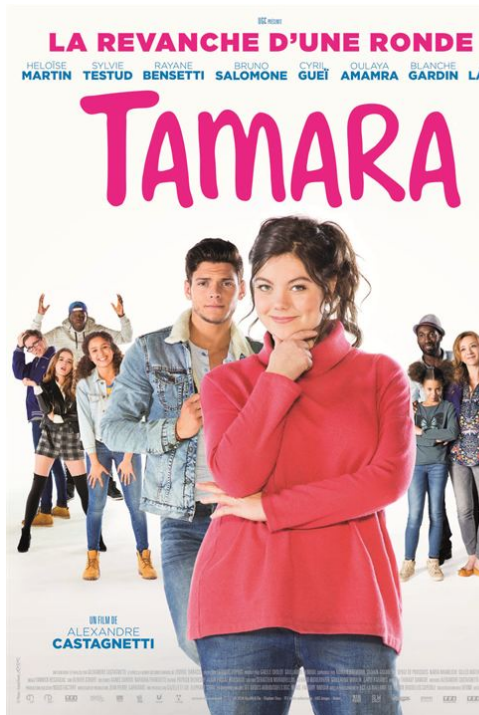
Run away with Cirque du Soleil Characters and Alliance Française de Las Vegas!
For the 5th consecutive year, the Alliance Française de Las Vegas is creating a team for the 5k Run/Walk to support the Springs Preserve Foundation and the Cirque du Soleil Foundation. You are a Member and/or a student of the Alliance Française de Las Vegas? Join our team! On your marks, get set, [Register!](#) and contact us to let us know you want to be part of our team!



FRENCH MOVIE NIGHT

Please join us for a free French Movie every third Friday of the month. All movies are shown in French with English subtitles.

Thank you to our partners: Institut Français de Paris, French Consulate in Los Angeles and the French Club of UNLV.



FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2018 AT

6:30PM

TAMARA (2016) Comedy by Alexandre Castagnetti with Héroïse Martin and Sylvie Testud.

Synopsis: Tamara is overweight and unpopular at school. She and her friend take a bet they will make a play for the first and second boy to enter the classroom. But how can podgy Tamara net her man ? A spiteful slim girl in the class rivals her for the affection of the boy, Diego, Tamara's mum has a boyfriend who brings with him his small daughter, Tamara and the daughter have to share a bedroom. But they become allies and the little girl helps Tamara in her quest....

Venue: UNLV, Frank and Estella Beam Hall (BEH) Room 104.

<https://www.unlv.edu/maps/campus/BEH>

In French with English subtitles.

Free admission. Please join us after the movie for a drink.



OUR FRENCH CLASSES

“If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his own language, that goes to his heart.”

Nelson Mandela



CLASSES FOR ADULTS

Our Early-Spring Session of classes started the week of **March 5** and will end on **April 28, 2018**. Our classes are suited for **everyone**, each member of your family will be able to find a program appropriate for his or her level of learning. You'll be able to share the fun with **friends and family**, and create new lasting friendship with other attendees. It's never too late to learn French, so take the leap and Sign Up! Not sure of your level? Pas de problème ! Take our free

placement test [HERE](#). You can still join if you are not a total Beginner.



CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

From clubs to classes, join us throughout the year for these fun, immersive opportunities for children and youth.

We have classes for all ages and levels. Please visit our website for our programs. [Here](#).



COMING UP IN JUNE



FRENCH IMMERSION SUMMER CAMP

JUNE 18 - JULY 27, 2018

Join us for a fun-filled Summer! Our Camp is a mix of language, artistic and athletic activities. Learn French through songs, games and books that explore different topics. This is a unique opportunity to immerse your child in a 100% French universe! This program is open to all children as young as 3 years old to 11. No level of language skills is necessary; the groups will be based on activities and times of the day. These courses and activities are open to both Francophone speakers wishing to improve their use of the language as well as non-French speakers wishing to take their "first steps" in the French language. Each week a different theme!

Click [Here](#) for more information!



FETE DE LA MUSIQUE
MUSIC FESTIVAL

THURSDAY JUNE 21

We are pleased to announce our 5th edition of Fête de la Musique in Las Vegas. More details coming soon.

PETANQUE

Every Sunday at 3:00PM, Gardens Park, [10401 Garden Park Dr, Las Vegas, NV 89135](https://www.google.com/maps/place/10401+Garden+Park+Dr,+Las+Vegas,+NV+89135) (far east of the park).

Played in a leisurely or competitively way, pétanque naturally brings people together and one tends to make new friends & acquaintances in the process. The rules are simple and there are no special skills required. If you are new to the game or a little rusty, feel free to join us. We have extra boules for you!



Membership

Not a member of the Alliance Française de Las Vegas yet? It is never too late ...

Become a member and participate in a range of educational, cultural and social activities. You can support a non-profit that promotes cross-cultural understanding, while taking advantage of special member benefits. As a duly registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, all donations made to AFLV are tax deductible. We are very grateful to all our generous contributors! [Join now!](#)

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Merci et à bientôt !

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This schedule is tentative and may be subject to change if circumstances require it.

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