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Alliance Française de Las Vegas (AFLV)

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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,

The Grape Harvest and Festivals

France is generally recognized as producing the greatest wines in the world. Perhaps more important, wine is an integral part of French life with food, celebrations, history, and culture. Certain wine events celebrations occur throughout the year, such as the celebration of the Beaujolais Nouveau in November.

However, the month of September sees the beginning of the grape harvest throughout France, which generally extends through October. This is one of the most critical times for the vineyards and the vintner. He/she must decide which of the grapes have ripened perfectly, and should be harvested each day, depending upon the sugar, acid, and tannin in the grapes, and of course upon the weather. Then, the decisions regarding pressing, blending (for some varieties), storage, bottling, etc. must be undertaken. This is certainly a science, but also an art where intuition and instinct are very important.

The result – France produces approximately 8 billion bottles of wine annually, one of the largest producers in the world and, as we began, some of the greatest wines come from France.

The French grape harvest is celebrated in September and October throughout the wine producing regions in France, often in small local establishments.

Cheers!

Marc Zeman

NEWS

THE AFLV IS NOW A DELF EXAM CENTER

What is DELF?

DELF stands for Diploma in French studies (Diplôme d'Etudes en Langue Française), it is:

- the only official certification of French-language abilities for non-native speakers
- administered by France's Ministry of Education
- covering all levels in French
- valid for life

These diplomas provide the candidate with a quality French-level certification, useful to carry out specific personal, academic or professional projects. The exams are open to non-native speakers, without any set requirements as regards the minimal number of guided-learning hours. Candidates will take the exam of their choice.

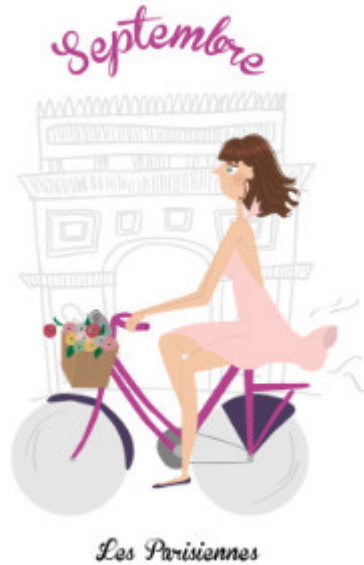
DELF test is exactly the same worldwide. It is composed of four independent diplomas corresponding to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages: Delf A1, Delf A2, Delf B1, Delf B2

DELF B2 graduates need not take the entrance language-examination to French universities.

Click [HERE](#) for a detailed tests description.

The AFLV is the DELF official examination center in Las Vegas. It will also provide efficient test preparation courses with our trained and experienced teachers. Next exam session will take place in December 2018 at the AFLV. Registrations open on October 19, 2018. Click [HERE](#) for details.

COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER



BACK TO SCHOOL

AUGUST 27 - OCTOBER 19,
2018

Our Early Fall session of classes starts!

New! Classes on Sundays!

Please check our offering [HERE](#) for children and [HERE](#) for adults.



FRENCH BREAKFAST

**Saturdays, September 1 and 15,
2018 at 9:30 AM "[Délices
Gourmands](#)"**

*3620 W Sahara Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89102
(702-331-2526).*

Join us to practice your French over an excellent breakfast!

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

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, SEPTEMBER 14, 2018 AT
6:30PM**

JALOUSE (JEALOUS)

2017 French comedy directed by David and Stéphane Foenkinos with Karin Viard.

Synopsis: Almost overnight, Nathalie Pêcheux, a divorced French teacher, changes from a loving mother into a jealous monster. Her first target is her stunning 18-year-old daughter Mathilde, a ballet dancer, but her field of attack soon extends to her friends, colleagues, and even her neighbors. A portrayal of a woman's radical and unexpected shift of character that oscillates between black comedy and psychological thriller.

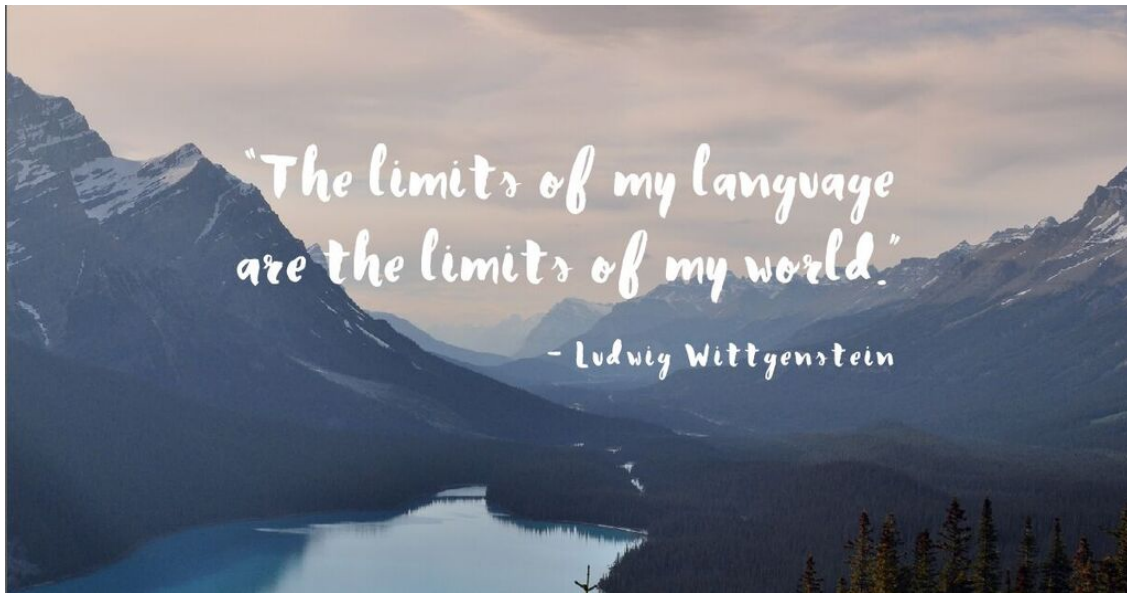
Venue: UNLV, Frank and Estella Beam Hall (BEH) Room 104.

<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



CLASSES FOR ADULTS

Our **EARLY FALL SESSION** of classes starts the week of **August 27** and will end on **October 20, 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 join in the middle of a session if you are not a total Beginner.



CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

AUGUST 27 - OCTOBER 19,
2018

Our French After School Programs are back! Immerse your kids in the French language and culture!

Sign them up [NOW!](#)

PETANQUE

Every Sunday at 5:00PM, Gardens Park, [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.



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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