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French Film Festival 2011 : A big success

Calendar of Events

We had such a great film festival this year! thanks to everyone's support, it gets better and better.

Four good movies to enjoy including an hilarious witty comedy for the opening, an amazing décor all red and black and a delicious food provided by the talented Ninderry Kitchen.

A warm thank you to the Nambour Art house cinema crew for their relentless support and thank you to our sponsors Peugeot, Parti Petite, l'Occitane, The Weekender, Cote du Soleil and Tchillbag. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did and will join us again next year!

Margaret Fairhurst
President

A big MERCI to Michael from Le Baroque for the sumptuous Moroccan dinner last Friday.

It was magnificent.

- **18 June 2011 – 9.30am: Café Conversation** Hosted by Jacques Fayolle 139 Nicklin Way, Kawana. ALL Welcome. Gold Coin Donation.
- **14th July 2011: Fête Nationale** Details to follow closer to Event
- **8th & 9th October 2011:** The AFSC will participate to the 2011 Village of Diversity in partnership with CALOUNDRA Music Festival. We will present a “French for Kids” Workshop. More details closer to event.
- **17th November 2011: Opening of the Beaujolais Nouveau** Details to follow closer to Event



Proverbe du mois: “Qui en juin se porte bien, en juillet ne craindra rien”:

Literal Translation: “He, who in June feels well, will not fear anything (for his health) in July”

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French Classes

Adults: Beginner & Intermediate

10 weekly night classes/February to April 2011

Cost: \$245 (members) \$270 (non-members)

Enquiries **0413 810 344** or **07 5494 0459**

Classes held at the Italian Schools Committee premises, Suite 9/68 Jessica Boulevard MINYAMA QLD 4575

Classes are in the early evening on Wednesdays and Thursdays. **More details...**

“Get your TV talking French”:

As a member/student of the AF DE LA SUNSHINE COAST you will benefit from a special offer from **LBF Australia**. LBF Australia, subsidiary of Canal Caledonie established in Australia since 2001, offers French Television via satellite reception on a subscription basis.

With 35 Channels and Services including news, cinema, sport, kids programs, discovery, generalist, entertainment and music, LBF's subscribers can easily stay in touch with France or improve their proficiency in the French language.

More Details...

Membership News:

Memberships now run on a calendar year basis.

Join now and your membership will only expire on **31st December 2011**. Current memberships will also expire on 31st December 2011.

If you have paid but not yet received your Membership card, contact us by phone on **0413 810 344** or email us on **info@afsunshinecoast.org.au**

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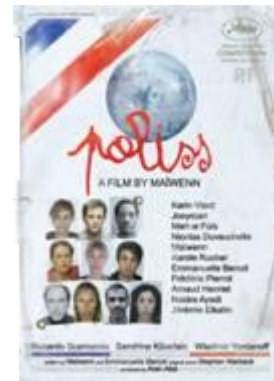
Cultural News

Cannes 2011: French movies not to be missed



Best actor went to the popular French star Jean Dujardin for his sparkling, nearly wordless portrayal of a 1920s American silent film star in "The Artist"

The jury prize went to the French picture "Poliss" a gritty film from French actress-director Maiwenn about a tightly-bound but highly-strung juvenile protection unit in Paris.



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Monday to Friday, 20 June to 1 July 2011 from 9:00am to 5:00pm Riverside Centre Foyer, 123 Eagle Street, Brisbane

The 2011 Art for Art's Sake exhibition will see approximately 200 artworks showcased and priced for sale in the foyer of Brisbane's prestigious Riverside Centre.

Gala Opening and Cocktail Reception **Monday 20 June from 6:30pm** Riverside Centre Foyer, 123 Eagle Street, Brisbane

This year's event will celebrate art in different forms, with the exhibition of approximately 200 artworks plus an exclusive parade of the latest designs by Brisbane fashion icon, Julie Tengdahl.

Art sales, auctions and a prize draw will raise much-needed funds for the Cerebral Palsy League's vital client services.

\$45 per person (includes canapés and drinks) Bookings are essential as tickets will not be available at the door

To RSVP (by 15 June) and purchase tickets: Phone 1800 819 086 or Email fundraising@cplqld.org.au

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All about Happiness, the universal quest for a happier and more meaningful life:

The **Happiness & Its Causes conference (16-17 June in Brisbane)** explores the amazing science and psychology of human happiness with the world's leading thinkers.

Amongst the guest speakers this year the inspiring French monk **Matthieu Ricard**. Matthieu is a Buddhist monk who went from a scientific career in France to the study of Buddhism in the Himalayas nearly 40 years ago. He is also the best-selling author of Happiness: A Guide to Developing Life's Most Important Skill, a very simple but enlightening book that you can find in French or in English. Within the Mind and Life Institute, he is an active participant in the current scientific research on the effects of meditation on the brain. He has been the French interpreter for the Dalai Lama since 1989. He lives in Nepal and devotes much of his time to thirty humanitarian projects in Asia to which he donates all the proceeds of his books. For more details please go to: <http://www.happinessanditscauses.com.au>

Living Inspired, *The secret of a fulfilled and happy life*. A series of workshops created by **Christine Maudy**. Christine has moved from Paris to the Sunshine Coast in 1995 and is a successful international abstract. She holds a certificate in specialized education and is a certified Usui Reiki Master practitioner and teacher. Her personal journey has guided her to develop a regular spiritual practice and the desire to share her experience as an artist, a teacher and a healer to help others moving forward Living Inspired. She currently teaches Reiki and leads a series of workshops using story-telling, painting and meditation. Learn how to create more joy and passion in your life, detect the mind-sets that are holding you back and discover the power of change.

Next workshops Living Inspired: July 9 and 10 2011

Reiki I: June 25 & 26 2011 or September 3 & 4, 2011

Reiki II: September 17 & 18, 2011

www.christinemaudy.com

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Test your knowledge of French:

Practise for the "Test de connaissance du Français" by clicking on: www.tv5monde.com/tcf



The **Fête de la Musique**, also known as **World Music Day**, is a music festival taking place on June 21. The Fête de la Musique began in France and has since spread to many countries.

The idea was first broached in 1976 by American musician Joel Cohen, then employed by the national French radio station **France Musique**. Cohen proposed an all-night music celebration at the moment of the summer solstice. The idea was taken up by French Music and Dance director Maurice Fleuret for Minister of Culture Jack Lang in 1981 and first took place in 1982.

Its purpose is to promote music in two ways:

- Amateur and professional musicians are encouraged to perform in the streets. The slogan **Faites de la musique (Make music)**, a homophone of *Fête de la Musique*, is used to promote this goal.
- Many free concerts are organized, making all genres of music accessible to the public. Two of the caveats to being sanctioned by the official Fête de la Musique organization in Paris are that all concerts must be free to the public, and all performers donate their time for free.

(Source: Wikipedia)

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Brisbane also celebrates “La fête de la Musique”

<http://www.afbrisbane.com/culture-and-events/performing-arts/fete-de-la-musique//>

Members' Corner

Generate extra business while supporting your “Alliance Française de la Sunshine Coast” !

Give AFSC members 10% on your goods/services and get a free listing on AFSC Website.
How does it work?

1. You need to be an active member of AFSC
2. Submit your advertisement (maximum 50 words) and link to your website to jacques@masbiz.com.au for approval from the AFSC committee
3. Upon approval both your advertisement and link to your web address will be posted on our AFSC site for a period of 12 months
4. Any invoice/receipt for sales made to our members will need to show “10% discount AFSC Member Nr xxxx” off your list price.

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IT Support for Members:

We can offer Computer & IT Support to our Members at very competitive rates via Sunshine Coast Computer Services (Software and Hardware tune-up, upgrade, troubleshoot and repair. PCs/Windows specialist, Macs friendly.... Desktops, Laptops, Networking and Servers, all makes and models).
Contact Robert on (07) 5641 4056

French Psychologist

Evy Berger, registered with the National Board of Psychologists since 2004, offers counseling services to French speakers and English speakers.
Enquiries: 0411 231 589 or evypsychologist@hotmail.com
Location: Office 1, 12 Duporth avenue, Maroochydore 4558.

French Tuition for Children:

All Ages / All Levels
Enquiries **0407 070 467**
Tuition held at the premises of one of our Committee members or by Skype, during or after school times.
Playgroups Welcome. Tuition follows national curriculum

Living Inspired & Reiki Workshop by Christine Maudy

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(Christine offers a \$10 discount on workshops for the Alliance française members)

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