

Monthly newsletter for the Alliance Française Cork
La lettre mensuelle de l'Alliance Française de Cork

Editorial

Chers Amis, dear Friends,

We are delighted to see you back this term for our group tuition after the Summer break. *Speed Lingua*, *AF Frames*, and many more educational tools are at your disposal to enhance your French throughout the Autumn term.

October is also about artistic creation we have a line-up out there rich in variety and appeal : *Endurance*, an exhibition of Cork Artist **Mary MURPHY** will be opened by **Liz MEANY**, Cork City Council Arts Officer. Visual art uses there rare media such as threads stitched through cotton as a method of drawing. Still in our Gallery *Impression of the South* photographic exhibition by French Artist **Nicolas DURANTON** which has encountered great success over past month with many school groups enjoying the work.

A Book Reading Session will also ravish our public in our Mediathèque, with the opus of 6 women writers *Friends and Friendibility*. The readings will be presented by **Dr Mary NOONAN**, French Department of UCC.

Don't miss out (23-26 October 09) the **Guinness Cork Jazz Festival** celebrating the best of Jazz in Cork.

It's also **Halloween** at the end of the month: it surely will be celebrated in sweet style in our Children's classes.

So plenty to enjoy this month, nous nous réjouissons de votre participation à nos activités.

Hélène DUQUIN & Nora CALLANAN



Hélène DUQUIN, Director, Paddy COMERFORD, Irish Actor & Nora CALLANAN, President
At the Launch of the DVD 'Just Paddy' at the EVERYMAN PALACE THEATRE



Endurance

Exhibition by Cork artist
Mary Murphy

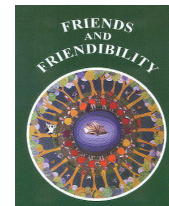
21st Oct – 23rd Nov 2009

Exhibition will be officially
opened by
Liz Meaney

Arts Officer, Cork City Council

The work explores the human frame in line and form and the experiences which mould our bodies and alter them. The resulting studies of sinued muscles, paper dry wrinkles, bone jutting through skin and the play of light over them make for powerful viewing. The artist explores a variety of media including threads stitched through cotton as a method of drawing.

Most recently, Mary Murphy has been chosen as the artist who will create the portrait of Princess Grace which will be presented to Princess Grace's son, Prince Albert to thank the Royal Family for their tireless work in promoting and nurturing Irish culture over the past 60 years.



**A Book Reading Session
with zest:**

**FRIENDS and
FRIENDIBILITY"**

a bilingual book, written by six
friends

Session will be introduced by
Dr Mary NOONAN
French Department, U.C.C
Wednesday 14th October
7pm at Alliance Française

Light refreshments served
Friends and Friendibility was launched in
the Bantry Library during the West Cork
Literary Festival (July 2009)



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Impressions of the South

An exhibition by French photographer
Nicolas Duranton

Alliance Française Gallery
Fri 4th September - Sat 17th October
A series of pictures that represent
everything that is considered
authentic for the South of France.



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This month's special

Office Hours: Mon-Fri: 9.30am-5.30pm

Sat: 9.30am - 4pm

(closed for lunch 1.30pm - 2.30pm)

Ireland for Europe

French President Nicolas SARKOZY has welcomed the vote of the Irish citizens who, by their decision on October 2nd '09, have clearly opted for Europe. This vote is a matter of great satisfaction for all Europeans.

Alliance Française de CORK has taken part in the common reflexion for the future of Europe with the Irish citizens in CORK through 3 different European Symposium since 2007. You can access the recollections of those symposiums in login to the French Foreign Office website <http://latitudefrance.org/La-citoyennete-europeenne-en-debat.html>

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