

# LA TROMPETTE



Mars, 2022

## UN MOT DE LA PRÉSIDENTE

Bonjour chers membres de notre alliance.

March is upon us and I cannot believe that it will be two years since our whole world first came to a halt, then shifted to a new normal. Like all organizations, AFGP is still trying to adapt and do its best to serve all members. Your alliance chapter is listening to you and we understand that some of you are completely ready to resume activities outside of your home. We also know that some members are more reticent, and would feel safer in a more controlled environment, or even stay in isolation for a little while longer.

Our board of directors has been faithfully meeting every month and we have discussed how we can best move forward. Our March calendar is rich in events, some are in person, while others are virtual, but more importantly, all events will allow us to connect with each other within AF de Grosse Pointe but also with other local alliances as well as national alliance chapters.

## MARCH IS FRANCOPHONIE MONTH

What is la Francophonie ?

La Francophonie is a concept which was born of an understanding and appreciation of the fact that, owing to history, the French language is spoken by 300 million people across five continents. It is a celebration of linguistic and cultural diversity, promoting democracy, human rights and peace.

The Alliance Française community throughout the world shares that understanding and appreciation. As a French-speaking organization, we seek to engage as many individuals as possible with the French language and cultures of Francophone nations.

Our March offerings will then be centered around the Francophonie theme and we hope you will join us physically, virtually, or both !

Amicalement,  
Amal Elhosni

## FRENCH CLASSES WITH AFGP

**Our Spring French classes session starts March 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

Have you registered yet? For more information on levels offered, dates, and registration information, please check out our website at <http://www.afdegrossepointe.org/classes>

For additional inquiries, contact our education chair Elizabeth White at [elizabethdwhite@hotmail.com](mailto:elizabethdwhite@hotmail.com)

## MARCH EVENT CALENDAR

### AFGP CINÉ-CLUB

**March 7<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM**

#### **Notre Dame de Paris (2014)**

Watch a taping of a live performance of the musical from home before March 7<sup>th</sup>, then join us on Zoom to discuss the film with other members.

Film link: <https://youtu.be/3AnTqOlgPr0>

Make sure to go to settings and set the captions to desired language (English or French for good practice!)

RSVP and request the Zoom link by emailing us at [alliancefrancaisegrossepointe@gmail.com](mailto:alliancefrancaisegrossepointe@gmail.com)

**March 19<sup>th</sup>, at 1:30 PM- GP Central Library**

#### **Cyrano de Bergerac (2004)**

Have you seen the new English version of Cyrano in the movie theaters? Come enjoy with us the 2004 French original with Gerard Depardieu. We will view the film together at the Grosse Pointe Central Library then discuss themes and ideas from the movie, as well as get some background information. We would also love to compare the English and French versions with you!

RSVP and reserve a spot by emailing us to [alliancefrancaisegrossepointe@gmail.com](mailto:alliancefrancaisegrossepointe@gmail.com)

Room capacity of 30 people.

**March 28<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 PM**

#### **Francophonie Film Selection**

##### **Dalida (2017)**

The life of iconic singer Dalida, an Egyptian born Italian who became a French singer in 7 languages, and sold 130 million records. Film link:

<https://tubitv.com/movies/517853/dalida?start=true>

Watch film before March 28<sup>th</sup> and join us for a discussion. RSVP for Zoom link by emailing us at [alliancefrancaisegrossepointe@gmail.com](mailto:alliancefrancaisegrossepointe@gmail.com)

## AFGP NEEDS YOU!

Would you like to be more involved with your Alliance chapter? We are always looking for volunteers for different events and would love to have you join us. You don't need to be on the board of directors in order to chair or help at social or cultural events.

If interested, email us at

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## MARCH EVENT CALENDAR (continued)

### French Heritage Night at the Pistons

In collaboration with AF Détroit/Institut Français and The French American Chamber of Commerce

March 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00 PM

Come out to celebrate French Heritage Night at Little Caesars Arena as the Detroit Pistons take on the Atlanta Hawks! Arrive early for a special French Heritage pre-game performance!

With the purchase of tickets through the Alliance link, you receive a special scarf commemorating French Heritage Night at the Pistons. Ticket numbers are limited, don't delay!

Members have also the opportunity to buy raffle tickets for a chance to win a one-week vacation with a Northern America Club Med resort.

For more information and to purchase game or raffle tickets go to:

<https://www.afdetroit.org/french-heritage-night/#/>

### AF FÉDÉRATION USA Sponsored Events

The Federation offers a variety of virtual programs, free to all current members of any Alliance Française chapter. For more information and to sign up for a Zoom link for any of their programs, go to <https://afusa.org/featured-events/>

**Sample of available free AF Fédération USA events. Please be sure to register early in order to get the Zoom link.**

-Fête de Francophonie Clafoutis with Chef Alain LeNôtre

March 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM-5:00 PM

-Quebecois Film: Hygiène Sociale (French with English subtitles). Limited number, sign up early!

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-How Do French Presidential Elections Work?

March 25<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 PM- 6:00 PM

- The Merci Train (Train de la Reconnaissance Française) A talk with Dr. Dudley M. Marchi

April 8<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 PM

## DETROIT AREA FRENCH MEETUP GROUPS:

Meetups are great ways to get in touch with new people and to practice your French at the same time. All levels are welcome!

### Royal Oak French Language Meetup Group:

Meets every other Sunday evening at Dessert Oasis Coffee Roasters in Royal Oak.

<https://www.meetup.com/Royal-Oak-French-Speakers/>

### Wandering Francophones:

Meets two Fridays each month, alternating on ZOOM and at G.George Restaurant in West Bloomfield.

<https://www.meetup.com/WanderingFrancophones/events/282743018>

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## AFGP CERCLE LITTÉRAIRE

Join other AFGP members for our monthly book club at members' homes. You should be at an intermediate level or above to participate. Our upcoming dates and books:

- le 19 mars: Le Pays des Autres de Leila Slimani

-le 4 avril: La Maladie de Sachs de Martin Winckler

-le 21 mai: Enterrer Vos Morts de Louise Penny

-le 18 juin: Nos Richesses de Kaouther Adimi

Pour plus d'informations, prière de contacter Suzie Martin, [culturethequeafgp@gmail.com](mailto:culturethequeafgp@gmail.com)

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## AFGP CONTACTS AND COMMUNICATION

**Website:** <http://www.afdegrossepointe.org/>

Check our website for the latest news, pictures and updates about events and classes.

### EMAIL ADDRESS

Please note our Alliance de GP Gmail addresses:

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