



# 2025-2026 Cultural Season

**Step into a year of cultural adventures with us!**



**Alliance Française**  
*Edmonton - Canada*

# DISCOVER OUR MONTHLY EVENTS



## **Film of the Month:**

- One Saturday per month
- Recent films in French or from the Francophone world
- In French with English subtitles!



## **Over a Coffee:**

- One Saturday per month, at 10:30 a.m.



## **Game Night in French:**

- One Thursday every two months, at 7:00 p.m.



## **Apéro Hour:**

- One Friday every two months, at 7:00 p.m.



## **New! Book Club:**

- One Saturday every two months, at 10:30 a.m.

# **DISCOVER OUR ANNUAL EVENTS PROGRAM\***

*\* Please note that our events may be subject to last-minute changes or modifications beyond our control.*



# La nuit des idées

Pouvoir  
agir

*Taking  
action*

## **DISCUSSION : THE NIGHT OF IDEAS**

**Thursday, October 9, 2025**

 ***Venue to be announced***

Launched in 2016 by the Institut français, The Night of Ideas is an invitation to gather and reflect on today's major global challenges.

Through talks, artistic performances, film screenings, workshops, and conferences, this international event celebrates the free circulation of ideas around a shared theme.

Held in over 100 countries, it brings together French and international voices from a wide range of disciplines, within spaces dedicated to culture and knowledge.

In 2025, the chosen theme is "Taking Action", a reflection on the ability of governments, civil societies, and individuals to act in the face of geopolitical upheaval and the erosion of social cohesion.

This event is presented in partnership with the Institut français du Canada and the Embassy of France in Canada.





# **DANCE PERFORMANCE : MOSAÏCO**

**Saturday, November 29 2025**

 ***Westbury Theatre, Fringe Theatre***

MOSAÏCO blends dance and digital art to celebrate the richness of diverse identities.

Through a sensitive choreographic creation, the performance explores the legacies passed down by our family origins and the territories that shape us. Between movement and imagery, it offers a profound reflection on the construction of identity.

Flamenco, traditional Québécois, African, Latin, and urban dances come together on stage in a vibrant tribute to the many roots of our society. Five dancers with diverse cultural backgrounds embody this quest for identity through a dynamic and expressive physical language.

Their movements interact with a responsive digital projection, forming a living mosaic that transforms with their gestures. Poetic texts punctuate the piece, inviting audiences on an introspective journey at the heart of the creative process.

MOSAÏCO stands as a powerful work at the intersection of cultures and disciplines, celebrating the beauty of hybridity and artistic diversity.



# **CONCERT : LUNA LLENA**

**Tuesday, January 20, 2025**

 ***Studio Theatre, Fringe Theatre***

For over 20 years, Compagnie Rassegna has brought Mediterranean popular music to life, passionately exploring a rich and diverse repertoire that spans generations and transcends time.

At the helm of this nomadic and multilingual ensemble is composer and musical storyteller Bruno Allary, who takes audiences on a captivating journey through timeless melodies that resonate with our collective memory.

Love songs, protest chants, work laments, and festive celebrations make up the repertoire of this Marseille-based company. Blending centuries-old traditions, 1950s classics, and original compositions, their music is a living, breathing material, shaped into bold arrangements where raw voices, electric textures, and rugged rhythms lay bare the intensity of emotion.

Rather than nostalgia, it is vitality that drives the music, a raw, sincere energy that embraces both joy and sorrow.

A powerful and grounded performance, where forgotten songs reclaim their full evocative force.





# **THEATER : BARRAGE CONTRE LE PACIFIQUE**

**Thursday, March 26, 2026**

 ***UniThéâtre, La Cité francophone***

This play is a new adaptation of a novel by Marguerite Duras, brought to the stage by Maud Andrieux.

We are in 1930s Indochina. A French woman lives with her two children, Suzanne and Joseph, on an isolated concession along the river. The land is barren, uncultivable, relentlessly eroded by the sea. Yet the mother refuses to give up. She tirelessly builds and rebuilds dams to protect the crops, hoping to improve the lives of local farmers and save children from hunger and cholera.

It is the stubborn dream of a woman standing tall in the face of injustice, a fierce utopia defying the colonial order.

The dam, endlessly destroyed, becomes the symbol of a life seemingly doomed to failure... or a life of resistance. Because there is something worse than seeing one's work collapse: doing nothing, building nothing.



# FRANCOPHONE FILM FESTIVAL

Event in partnership with Metro Cinema



## **FRANCOPHONIE MONTH :** **FRANCOPHONE FILM FESTIVAL**

**March 2026**

 ***Metro Cinema Edmonton***

The Alliance Française of Edmonton, in partnership with Metro Cinema, is proud to present the Francophone Film Festival, a captivating cinematic celebration for Francophonie Month. As part of our commitment to promoting the French language and Francophone cultures, this event aims to foster cultural exchange, dialogue, and appreciation within Edmonton's diverse community.

Film lovers and culture enthusiasts are invited to immerse themselves in a curated selection of Francophone films from around the world. All films will be in French with English subtitles. From comedies to dramas, timeless classics to family-friendly films, there will be something for everyone!





# **CONCERT : BELTUNER**

**Saturday, April 25, 2026**

 ***Venue to be announced***

Founded in Paris in 2001 around accordionist Johann Riche, Beltuner masterfully blends gypsy swing, rock, jazz, musette, Balkan music, and improvisation. The group quickly stood out with a unique, free-spirited, and instinctive style, enriched by a wide range of influences, from world music and classical to pop, electro, and funk.

On stage, the quartet delivers vibrant energy and contagious chemistry. Johann Riche's intense, impassioned accordion performances bring a strong emotional dimension, mixing laughter, madness, and virtuosity.

After more than two decades of musical and human evolution, Beltuner continues to surprise with powerful and generous concerts that rarely leave audiences indifferent.





# **CULTURAL TRIP:** **ANNECY, FRANCE**

**Saturday, May 9 to Saturday, May 16, 2026**

📍 ***Annecy and the Surrounding Region***

Embark on an unforgettable adventure to Annecy, the stunning "Venice of the Alps," with the Alliance Française of Edmonton! Nestled between crystal-clear lakes and majestic mountains, Annecy is a dream destination where history, culture, and nature come together in perfect harmony. For one week, let yourself be charmed by this city's authentic character and alpine elegance.

With your enthusiastic guides, Emma and Myriam, you'll experience full French immersion. On the program: strolling through the cobblestone streets of the historic center, tasting Savoyard culinary delights, enjoying cultural discoveries, and relaxing walks along the water. From the medieval castle to the lakeside, every moment will be a unique opportunity to explore Annecy's rich heritage—while practicing your French every day!





# **SPORT : FRENCH RUN** 3RD EDITION

**Sunday, May 31, 2026**

📍 ***Louise McKinney Riverfront Park***

The Alliance Française of Edmonton is pleased to present the third edition of the French Run, taking place on Sunday, May 31, 2026.

This festive, cultural, and athletic event offers 5 km and 10 km courses, providing a unique experience that combines physical activity, community spirit, and immersion in Francophone culture.

The race will start at 10:00 a.m. at Louise McKinney Riverfront Park, following a scenic route through the stunning river valley in the heart of Edmonton. Open to all ages and fitness levels, the French Run is a perfect opportunity to take on a challenge while celebrating the vitality and diversity of the local Francophone community.

As a partner, you'll have the chance to associate your brand with a positive, inclusive, and unifying event that promotes well-being, culture, and togetherness. Your support will directly contribute to the success of the run and increase your visibility among an engaged, family-oriented, and diverse audience.

During the second edition, we doubled the number of participants, with nearly 100 registrations, a strong community momentum we hope to grow even more this year with your support.





# **MUSIC : MAKE MUSIC EDMONTON**

**End of June 2026 | 4pm–8pm**

 ***Multiple Stages Along 124th Street***

The Alliance Française of Edmonton is proud to organize the 2025 edition of Make Music Edmonton, taking place in the vibrant 124th Street district and surrounding area. This event is a lively celebration of music, culture, and community, and marks the summer kickoff in the neighborhood.

## **About Make Music Edmonton:**

This festival offers a vibrant musical experience, where 124th Street becomes a stage for live performances by talented musicians. Francophone, French, Canadian, and international artists will take the spotlight, showcasing a variety of genres including jazz, rock, classical, folk, and hip-hop throughout the event.

An event with a legacy: The Fête de la Musique, first launched in France in 1982, is a globally recognized celebration held each year on June 21. Through Make Music Edmonton, we proudly carry on this tradition of promoting live music, making it accessible to everyone, and supporting local talent.

This event draws a diverse and engaged audience, offering a unique opportunity to showcase your brand and connect with the community. As a partner, you'll be associated with a popular, family-friendly, and inclusive event, gaining valuable visibility in a dynamic and festive setting.



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# **LET'S CREATE MEMORIES TOGETHER!**

**The Alliance Française of Edmonton:  
Your Gateway to French Language  
and Francophone Culture**



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