

francoirish

literary festival féile litríochta



Pleasure / Plaisir / Pléisiúir
20,21,22 April 2012

Co-organised by the **Alliance Française in Dublin** and the **Cultural Service of the French Embassy**, the **Franco-Irish Literary Festival** allows every year **writers and literature-lovers** to gather together around a common theme, "**Pleasures**" for this 2012 edition. The Festival aims to widen and enhance the **long-standing friendship that exists between Ireland, France**, other French-speaking countries and more recently with other European countries. It helps to enrich the knowledge of our respective literatures and writers and brings them to the Irish reader's attention by creating a **platform for discussions, debates and readings**.

The **writers attending** the 2012 Festival are:

Salim Bachi (France)
Kevin Barry (Ireland)
Marie-Claire Blais (Québec)
Pat Boran (Ireland)
René de Ceccatty (France)
Colette Fellous (France)
Cécile Guilbert (France)
Seamus Heaney (Ireland)
Jennifer Johnston (Ireland)

Claire Keegan (Ireland)
Michael Kleeberg (Germany)
Mathieu Lindon (France)
Siobhán Mannion (Ireland)
Thomas McCarthy (Ireland)
Belinda McKeon (Ireland)
Darach Ó Scolaí (Ireland)
Chantal Thomas (France)
Sabine Wespieser (France)

Franco-Irish Literary Festival

20-21-22 April 2012

At Dublin Castle, the Coach House and at the Alliance Française

Admission Free

Simultaneous interpreting in English and French.

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www.francoirishliteraryfestival.com

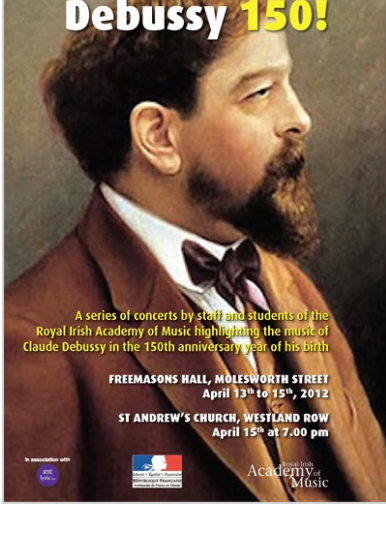


• Panel discussions • Cafés littéraires
• Interviews "One hour with" • Readings
• Book sales and Signings

MUSIC

DEBUSSY 150! FESTIVAL

13 - 15 APRIL 2012



The Cultural Service of the French Embassy in partnership with the Royal Irish Academy of Music celebrates the sesquicentenary of this great artist's birth in a **weekend series of lunchtime, afternoon and evening concerts** at the historic Freemason's Hall and St Andrew's Church.

On **Sunday 15th April**, the **RIAM Symphony Orchestra** led by **French conductor Gregory Moulin** will close the events with the Debussy 150 Gala Concert at St Andrew's Church.

Programme:

- **Petites Suites - Friday, 13 April** - 1.05 pm @ Freemason's Hall
- **Pour Le Piano I - Friday, 13 April** - 8.00 pm @ Freemason's Hall
- **Petites Suites - Saturday, 14 April** - 1.05 pm @ Freemason's Hall
- **Pour Le Piano II - Saturday, 14 April** - 8.00 pm @ Freemason's Hall
- **Pour Le Piano Plus - Sunday, 15 April** - 3.00 pm @ Freemason's Hall
- **Orchestre Magnifique - Sunday, 15 April** - 7.00 pm @ St Andrew's Church, Debussy's evocative *Prélude à l'Après-midi d'un faune* features in the final event of Debussy 150! **Performed by the RIAM Symphony Orchestra and conductor Grégory Moulin**, this magnificent orchestral tour de force features alongside works by Debussy's contemporaries *Séverac* (*Nymphes au Crépuscule*) and *Roussel* (*Bacchus et Ariane*);

Debussy 150! Festival

13 - 15 April 2012

Venues:

- Freemason's Hall, 17 Molesworth Street, Dublin 2

- St. Andrew's Church, Westland Row, Dublin 2

Tickets €10/€5

Further information: www.riam.ie - PublicRelations@riam.ie

COMPETITION

For a chance to **WIN TICKETS for the Debussy 150 Closing Gala Concert on Sunday 15 April 2012** at St Andrew's Church, just send an email with your contact details to scac@ambafrance-ie.org

Winners will be picked at random from all entries.

CINEMA

OUTDOOR SCREENING OF « Océans » + MASTERCLASS

22 & 23 APRIL 2012

The French Embassy in collaboration with **UCD Imagine Science Films** brings the film *Océans* for the very first time to Dublin on Earth Day 2012.

Directed by Jacques Perrin and Jacques Cluzaud, *Océans* is an **unforgettable trip in the depths of Earth's five oceans** and their neglected wildlife. With stunning images and a fair share of emotion, the film captures the mysterious and fascinating marine world like never before.

This is the **first time the movie will be screened in Ireland**. This exceptional screening, one of the key events to start the celebrations for Dublin City of Science, will be the first hosted by UCD Imagine Science Films.

After a **welcoming address by H.E. Emmanuelle d'Achon**, French Ambassador to Ireland, the evening will kick-off with a discussion hosted by **Prof Chris Bean**, Director of UCD Earth Institute, with **special guests Jacques Cluzaud**, co-director of *Océans*, **François Sarano**, scientific adviser to the film and mission leader for Captain Cousteau, **Prof Des Fitzgerald**, vice-president of research at UCD, and **Prof Frédéric Dias** of UCD School of Mathematical Sciences. The outdoor screening of *Océans* will then start at sunset, around 20:40. The movie will be screened in its **original French version with English subtitles**.

Jacques Cluzaud and François Sarano will also take part in a **cinema masterclass** at the School of Media of **Dublin Institute of Technology**.

With the support of the Institut Français and Veolia Environnement.

• Screening of *Océans*

Sunday 22 April 2012, Earth Day - From 19:30 (discussion and Q&A - screening starts at 8.40pm)

Temple Bar Meeting House Square, Temple Bar

Free and open to all - Seats are free but ticketed

To book a seat, please email: imaginesciencefilms@ucd.ie

www.ucd.ie

• Masterclass with Jacques Cluzaud and François Sarano

Monday 23 April 2012, 5pm

School of Media, DIT, Aungier Street, Dublin 2 - www.schoolofmedia.ie

Free and open to all - Please note: places are limited and will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

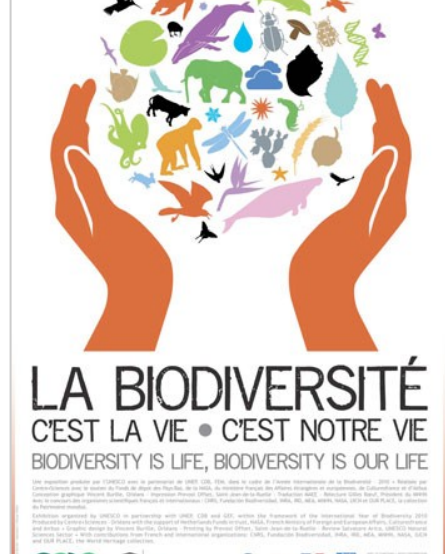
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EXHIBITION

"BIODIVERSITY IS LIFE, BIODIVERSITY IS OUR LIFE"

23 - 27 APRIL 2012



Biodiversity remains the visible and invisible **basis for human existence**.

Increasingly settled in urban settings, large segments of the human population are unaware of the extent to which they owe their material, social and cultural well-being to the rich biodiversity of our planet.

The Centre Sciences, the Convention on Biological Diversity Secretariat, the Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, the Global Environment Facility (GEF), UNEP and UNESCO have joined efforts to create a **travelling exhibition** which aims to **enhance public awareness of the importance of conserving biodiversity**, of the underlying threats to biodiversity, and of success stories in its conservation.

In particular, the exhibition:

- explores the **multiple aspects of biodiversity** contributing to human well-being;

- describes biodiversity loss and its **consequences** for all life on Earth;

- demonstrates how the global community is working to ensure its **conservation and sustainable** use now and in the future.

Designed for a wide audience with a **bilingual approach** (French & English) the Embassy of France in Ireland in collaboration with South Dublin County Council is presenting you this exhibition during **South Dublin County Eco-Week V**.

Exhibition: "Biodiversity is life, biodiversity is our life"

Celebrating South Dublin County Eco-Week - **23rd - 27th April 2012**

Venue: Whitechurch Library, Taylor's Lane, Rathfarnham, Dublin 16

Opening Times: Mon - Thurs: 2pm - 8pm / Saturday: 9.45am - 4.30pm (library is closed Fridays)

Admission Free

Info: science@ambafrance-ie.org - 01 708 8309

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CONFERENCE

CAN WE EXPECT A U-TURN IN FRENCH EUROPEAN POLICY?

27 APRIL 2012

Professor Zaki Laïdi of Sciences-Po Paris, specialist in International Relations and European Affairs, will give a broad analysis of the debate in France regarding the **evolution of French European policy** on April 27th at 12.45 at the International Institute of European Affairs.

Conference

by **Professor Zaki Laïdi**

Can We Expect a U-Turn in French European Policy?

27 April 2012, 12h45

International Institute of European Affairs, 8 North Great Georges Street, D1

For admission, please contact Linda Barry at linda.barry@iiea.com

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Professor Zaki Laïdi of Sciences-Po Paris

EDUCATION

JUNE DELF & DALF EXAM SESSION

UNTIL 29 APRIL 2012



Registrations for next JUNE 2012 DELF/DALF exam session are opened until 29th April 2012. Further information is available at: www.alliance-francaise.ie and at the Alliance Française reception, 1 Kildare street, Dublin 2.

Phone: 01 676 17 32 (payment is possible by phone).

February DELF/DALF diplomas will soon be available at:

Dublin: Alliance Française de Dublin

Cork: Alliance Française de Cork

Limerick: Alliance Française de Limerick

Galway: Alliance Française de Galway

Waterford: Alliance Française de Waterford / Wexford

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