

We wish to acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on, the Ngunnawal people. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of this city and this region.

As the President of Alliance Française de Canberra and Regional Representative Asia/Oceania of the Alliance Française to the Board of the Fondation in Paris and on behalf of fellow Australian Presidents, general managers, committee members, staff and teachers, I would like to welcome you to tonight's AGM.

Following is the report for the year 2023/04:

EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 - to date 10th May 2024
Enrolments	1,360	1,805	1,829	1,757	915
Students	655	772	805	781	538
New students	373	475	443	436	242
Number of hours sold	29,107	39,662.50	36,015.15	35,065.5	18,296
YTD sales with tax in AUD - 10th May	274,254.26	425,635.46	343,225.59	407,741.60	392,302.95
EOY sales with tax in AUD	532,730.70	726,671.56	688,322.62	741,675.06	-

CULTURAL EVENTS

Events are an important part of our cultural and linguistic organisation to raise funds as well as to increase awareness of the Alliance Française of Canberra, which is a not-for-profit organisation.

Over the last 12 months, the team has coordinated the following activities:

Date	Event
Saturday 27 May 2023	Paul Taylor in Canberra 176 attendees
Saturday 24 June 2023	Fête de la Musique 196 attendees
Friday 14 July 2023	Bastille Day 80 attendees
Friday 21 July 23	Les roues de l'avenir - movie night 20 attendees
Thursday 3 August 2023	Opening Night EASS
Friday 18 August 2023	Volunteer Appreciation Night 10 attendees
Saturday 19 August 2023	FAPS Trivia Night
Thursday 7 September 2023	Embassy reception birthday
Saturday 9 September 2023	Rugby World Cup 22 attendees
Friday 22 September 2023	New Caledonia Short Film Festival 51 attendees
Wednesday 27 September 2023	ANU Art & Environment movie Night 150 attendees
Saturday 7 October 2023	80th Open Day
Thursday 12 October 2023	ANU Screening of Sugar and stars 200 attendees

Wednesday 8 November and 22 November 2023	Defi InterAlliances
Thursday 16 November 2023	Beaujolais Wine Tasting 50 attendees
Friday 24 November 2023	Journée des profs
Saturday 2 December 2023	French Market about 5000 visitors
Friday 8 December 2023	Christmas Dinner 80 attendees
Tuesday 12 December 2023	Young Learners Christmas Party
Thursday 25 January 2024	ANU Screening of On the Wandering Paths
Thursday 8 February 2024	French Film Festival Media Launch 80 attendees
Thursday 15 February 2024	French Film Festival Word of Mouth 63 attendees
Saturday 17 February 2024	National Multicultural Festival
Wednesday 28 February 2024	ANU Screening of Two Tickets to Greece
Thursday 7 March 2024	French Film Festival Opening Night 438 attendees incl. 150 VIPs
Tuesday 12 March 2024	French Film Festival Swiss Night 104 attendees incl. 20 VIPs
Thursday 14 March 2024	French Film Festival Ladies Night 187 attendees

Sunday 17 March 2024	French Film Festival Double Feature Three Musketeers 209 attendees
Tuesday 19 March 2024	French Film Festival Belgian Night 163 attendees incl. 40 VIPs
Thursday 21 March 2024	French Film Festival Taste of France Night 190 attendees
Friday 22 March 2024	Francophonie Market
Sunday 24 March 2024	French Film Festival Classic Movie 175 attendees
Tuesday 26 March 2024	French Film Festival 35th Anniversary Movie 115 attendees
Wednesday 27 March 2024	French Film Festival Canadian Night 121 attendees incl. 20 VIPs
Thursday 28 March 2024	French Film Festival Crime & Justice Night 89 attendees
Tuesday 2 April 2024	French Film Festival Closing Night 190 attendees
Friday 5 April 2024	ANU Screening of Anatomy of a Fall
Tuesday 23 April 2024	Café scientifique 34 attendees

President's Report

The French Film Festival is the major fundraising and visible event of the year. In 2024, we improved our sales by 20.5% compared to 2023, with 15,789 tickets sold.

STAFF

Mr Osman Boubakari is the General Manager.

Over the last 12 months, several positions became vacant and have been filled. The current team is:

In 2024	Contract type	Position
Yorick Betfort	Permanent	Administrative assistant, then Administrative Officer
Yoann Cambefort	Permanent	Administrative Officer
Floriane Henneaux	Permanent	Director of Studies / Teacher
Graziella Vergain	Permanent	Head Teacher / Teacher
Stephanie Pouliquin	Permanent	Teacher
Franck Leonhardt	Permanent	Teacher
Alix De Tournadre	Casual	Teacher
Celine Faivre	Casual	Teacher
Cecile Maraud	Casual	Teacher
Diane Demonti	Casual	Teacher
Alexandra Palazzolo	Casual	Teacher
Geraud Bakekolo	Casual	Teacher
Gabrielle Gaulet	Casual	Teacher

President's Report

Aicha Ducarne	Casual	Teacher
Maureen Simon-Dou	Embassy Volunteering	Communication and Culture Manager
Juliette Piscione	Internship	Culture Assistant

Our current staff strength is a mix of permanent, casual and Embassy volunteers posted staff.

The structure of the current *équipe* is comprised of:

- General Manager: Osman Boubakari who joined us in February 2023)
- Administration, reception and finances led by M.Yorick Betfort and M. Yoann Camberfort.
- Culture and Communication led by Ms Maureen Simon-Dou
- Education led by Ms Floriane Henneaux and Graziella Vergain

COMPLETED PROJECTS IN 2023

Projects	Status	Amount invested
One off garden cleaning	Completed	\$ 4,998
Automatic Sliding backdoor	Completed	\$ 11,797
Securing kitchen door & Flags erected	Completed	\$ 860
Waste removal	Completed	\$ 660
VR Headsets Dotation from the French Institute (I.F)	Completed	\$ 6,399

PROJECTS 2023 - 2024

Projects	Status	Amount invested
Main Hall Bathroom renovation	Not completed	\$ 45,000
New computers operating system	Not completed	\$ 36,000
Purchase and set up of 8 TV for all classrooms	Completed	\$ 10,000
Gas meter protection	Completed	\$ 1,040
Front office counter door	Completed	\$ 500
VR sensory room	Not completed	--

We will be looking at doing refurbishment of the building over the next few months.

Transfer to Company Limited by Guarantee

The AFdC received permission to transfer to Company Limited by Guarantee (CLG) from the ACT Government Registrar in January 2023. The Committee subsequently paused the application to the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) for registration as a CLG, while working to ensure that the governance of our organisation is at a level that will support the transfer to a registered company. Settling in the newly appointed General Manager, stabilising the administrative team after a period of high staff turnover, and following up on financial procedures after the annual audit in 2023 have all been necessary steps before the transfer to CLG could be completed. The Committee aims to resume the CLG transfer process in the second half of 2024.

BOARD OF AFdC

Below is the list of Committee members and financial members in activity as of 13/05/2024

Honorary President: H.E Pierre-Andre Imbert

President and Chair: Hugh Chevrant-Breton

Vice President: Gordon Bull

Vice President: Judith Woolley

Secretary: Arthur Camilleri

Treasurer: Mariam Hafiz

Member: Catherine Riordan

Member: Andrew Conley

Member: Rim El Kadi

Member: Leslie Barnes

Member: Nathaniel Arthur-Ellis

It has been an absolute pleasure working with this Committee and the whole team at Alliance Française over the last 12 months. The team has done a remarkable job coordinating the program of events alongside the teaching program. I acknowledge the camaraderie of all and their willingness to support all activities of the AFdC.

I finally would also like to acknowledge the support of the French Embassy.