

Monthly newsletter for the Alliance Française Cork and the Cultural Service of the French Embassy
La lettre mensuelle de l'Alliance Française de Cork et du Service Culturel de l'Ambassade de France

Editorial

Dear students, members, partners, friends and staff, notre directrice H  l  ne Duquin se joint    moi pour partager avec vous notre enthousiasme devant les temp  ratures estivales et l'ensoleillement radieux que nous offre l'Irlande depuis le d  but du printemps ! Il fait vraiment bon vivre sur la Costa del Cork !

This newsletter is designed to update you on new courses, cultural events, and latest additions to our m  diath  que. This is where you will find all information about forthcoming events at the Alliance Fran  aise de Cork.

Congratulations to Mairead Meade who won our super Carte Noire Cork French Film Festival prize – dinner for two in Les Gourmandises one of Cork's top French restaurants. Enjoy!

Look out for our upcoming Leaving Cert Oral Exam Preparation Day, Saturday 21 April 2007, Junior Cert Exam Comprehension Preparation Day and Summer Conversation Courses for Adults.

Here at Alliance we were very pleased to be part of the Lifelong Learning Festival. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all those who participated, contributed and supported the events. Special thanks to The Wine Buff, On the Pig's Back and Falvey's Cosmetics Department, Douglas, for a wonderful evening here at the Alliance during the Festival.

Watercolour Journeys by Paddy O'Connor has been hugely successful in our gallery, bravo Paddy! We look forward to welcoming French photographer Samuel CHANTOISEAU to the Gallery on 18th April 2007.

Upcoming cultural events to continue our celebration of the 60th anniversary of Alliance Fran  aise :

Saturday 19 May 2007 at GRANARY Theatre KRAPP's Last Tape with the celebrated French actor Pierre CHABERT. October 13th 2007 Gala night 60th anniversary Black-tie dinner at the Imperial Hotel. More information coming up.

Reminding you of the Franco-Irish Literary Festival organised by the Alliance Fran  aise Dublin and Cultural Service of the French Embassy 27th, 28th, 29th April, for more information visit:

www.francoirishliteraryfestival.com

Hope you enjoyed the beautiful weather and had a nice Easter break.

Nora CALLANAN
President



Nora Callanan, President, Lord Mayor Cllr. Michael Ahern, H  l  ne Duquin, Director at the launch of Carte Noire Cork French Film Festival



Watercolour journeys

By Paddy O'Connor

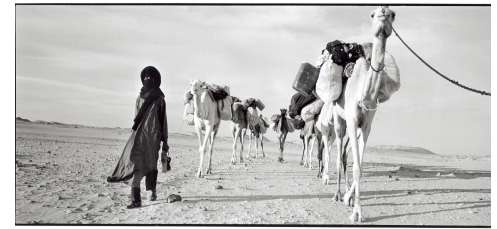
At Alliance Fran  aise Gallery
15th March – 13th April 2007

The exhibition was opened by
H.E. Mr. Georges DUQUIN
Former French Ambassador

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Paddy O'CONNOR has been painting watercolours for the past fifteen years, in addition to practicing as an orthodontist. He is an exhibiting member of the Maclise Arts Society, Cork Arts Society and the Medical Arts Society.

His greatest claim to fame is his ongoing participation in the John YARDLEY watercolour course which takes place annually in Dedham and Norfolk (Constable country). This meeting with such a select grouping must have some beneficially contagious effects.



Paysages, Pays-Sages, aux limites du Sahara...

A photographic exhibition by

Samuel CHANTOISEAU
French photographer

At the Alliance Fran  aise Gallery
18th April – 7th May 2007

Official opening

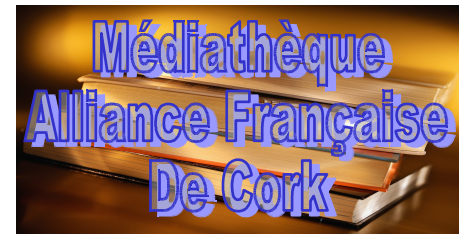
25th April 2007 @ 6pm

By Brian LOUGHEED

Pictures Editor, Evening Echo

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Samuel CHANTOISEAU has practiced photography for fifteen years. His work concentrates principally on reportage in black and white. He has regularly visited Sahara and has sojourned there for a few months at a time. While in Sahara Samuel experienced profound moments of closeness with the Touaregs, 'The People of Sahara'. Samuel has captured these images while traveling the velvety yet bold heart of these desert lands.



**JUNE 2007
DELF/ DALF EXAM SESSIONS**

Whether you are a student of Alliance Française Cork or not, you can at all times register with us to take **DELF/DALF Examinations**.

Exam registration for June 07 sessions will open on 16th April 2007 and close on 21st May 2007

Enrolment forms are available from:
Website: www.alliance-francaise.ie
French Embassy
Or Reception

**PREPARATION FOR THE
LEAVING CERT ORAL EXAM**

**Saturday 21st April 2007
Group tuition
10.30pm - 4.30pm**

Every year the Alliance organises intensive day of preparation for Leaving Cert French Oral Exam

This one-day course provides maximum immersion in the French language within an interactive group.

**30 min individual sessions
starting at 4.30**

Your 30-minute individual session includes a mock exam and an advice session with one of our experienced French tutors.

LATEST ADDITIONS

Our Médiathèque Française is open for members and general public from Monday to Saturday
Feel welcome any time
Here are some of the new titles :

**Francophonie
10 DVDs**

Le Forum international des caravanes francophones

**Cinéma
Vidéo**

*Le Diable, probablement
By Robert BRESSON*

**Musique
12 poètes francophones CD**

Enfants

Tralala lalère – DVD of songs



Office Hours: Mon-Fri: 9.30am-5.30pm
Sat: 9.30am - 4pm
(closed for lunch 1.30pm - 2.30pm)

Event Alert! Date for your diary Saturday 19 May 2007; 8.00 p.m.

We continue our 60th anniversary celebrations!

Next month we offer our theatre goers Samuel BECKETT's *KRAPP's Last Tape* at GRANARY Theatre, performed by the celebrated French actor Pierre CHABERT. For bookings and any other additional information please contact the reception.



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