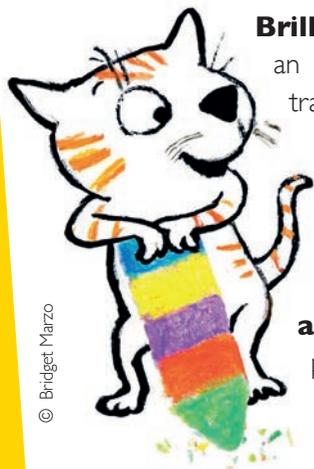


It's that **South Ken Kids Festival** time of year again!

Prepare yourself for a brilliant selection of children's writers and illustrators coming from both sides of the Channel, and beyond: **Ronan Badel, Clémentine Beauvais, Christelle Dabos, Kris Di Giacomo, Victor Dixen, Alexandre Franc, Tor Freeman, Aurélia Fronty and Franck Prévot, Charlotte Gastaut, Chris Haughton, Dianne Hofmeyr, Magali Le Huche, David Litchfield, Bridget Marzo, Philip Reeve, Axel Scheffler, Julian Sedgwick, Joe Todd Stanton** and our beloved patron, the marvellous **Quentin Blake**, will be appearing at the Institut français and in participating London schools.



© Bridget Marzo

Brilliantly bilingual throughout, the festival is an occasion to celebrate children's writing, illustration, translation, and children's books in all their glory. The Institut français throws open its doors to all readers young and old, to listen to best-selling **young adult writers** talk about their work, watch star illustrators draw, attend family film screenings, or take part in **workshops**, storytelling, and **digital activities**. Don't miss the festival **live drawing** performances, including some brilliant drawing duos, a musical version of *Babar*, and the amazing *Impro!*

Friends of the festival said

'I was lucky enough to be involved in our festival right from the start. I have seen this celebration of writing and reading and drawing grow – it becomes more and more amazing!'

QUENTIN BLAKE

'It's a really good example of international collaboration'

AXEL SCHEFFLER

Public events at the Institut français

FREE & THROUGHOUT THE FESTIVAL

Exhibition: Quentin Blake Goes Bilingual

in French and English | all ages | Free

Quentin Blake is the *parrain* of the South Ken Kids Festival, and every year he brings us different gifts. This year, he has made a selection of original drawings from children's books published both in English and in French, for an exceptional display in the Salons of the Institut français. These include *The Green Ship/ Le Bateau Vert*, *Cockatoos/ Les Cacatoès* and his latest book *The Five of Us/Pas de Panique!*

Reading Machines

in French and English | all ages | Free

Scroll, tap and read! Reading Machines will introduce you to a different way of reading and interacting with e-books, graphic novels, and literacy-focused apps. After a workshop or a live drawing session, stroll between the various machines, finding innovative plots and tales set in motion by French creators and writers.



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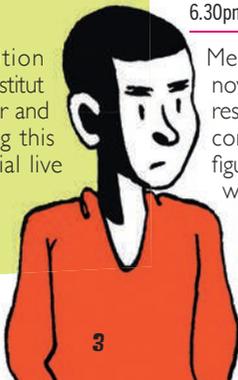
THURSDAY 22 NOVEMBER

✂ Opening Event: Never Stop Drawing (for) Europe

6pm-6.45pm | in English | all ages | £7

After the sensational exhibition *Drawing (for) Europe* held at the Institut français last Spring, Axel Scheffler and guests will be officially opening this year's festival with some special live drawing followed by a discussion.

© Alexandrte Franc



FRIDAY 23 NOVEMBER

🎨 Biographies for Peace: Alexandre Franc – Artist in Residence

6.30pm-7.30pm | in French and English | 12+ | £5

Meet French artist, cartoonist and graphic novelist Alexandre Franc, this year's artist in residence. Alexandre will draw and share his commitment to depict pioneers and bold figures who fought for peace and shaped the world as we know it.

Public events at the Institut français

SATURDAY 24 NOVEMBER

Film: The Great Adventure of No-No

FR | 2016 | Dir. Mathieu Auvray, Script: Magali Le Huche

11am-11.45am | in English | 4+ | £5

In Underwood Springs, every day starts out as a beautiful, happy day! Carrot ice-creams, (failed) trips to the moon or floods won't change this ... Nothing seems to stop this funny little gang of friends, all so different but oh so jolly and united!

Workshop with David Litchfield

11.30am-12.30pm | in English | 3+ | £7

Get ready for a wildly musical and animal workshop with British author and illustrator David Litchfield. Create fun animal characters and play some animal music. You too will become part of the famous 'Bear Band'!

Workshop with Kris Di Giacomo

11.30am-12.30pm | in English | 6+ | £7

Kris Di Giacomo loves a play on words. Exploring her book *Where's the BaBOOn?* you will hunt for words hidden within words, answers hidden in pictures, and create your own illustrated word-play to take home.



© Magali Le Huche

Workshop with Magali Le Huche

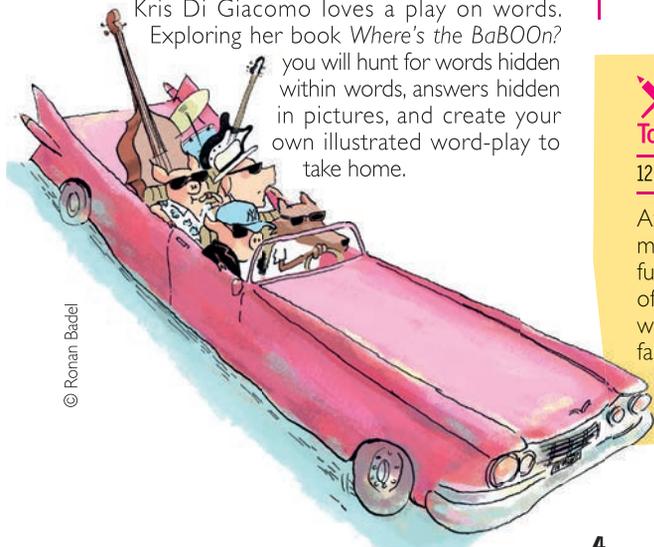
12pm-1pm | in English | 5+ | £7

French illustrator Magali Le Huche will help you shape your own animal mask, draw wonderful eyes and colour amazing faces. Express your true animal spirit! And follow the intrepid Poppy the Dog in his adventures.

Live Drawing: Axel Scheffler, Tor Freeman and Ronan Badel

12.30pm-1.15pm | in English | 3+ | £5

Axel Scheffler's famous mice, Tor Freeman's mischievous cats and dogs and Ronan Badel's funny dragons and pigs will meet for a one-of-a-kind live drawing session. Have you ever wondered what it was like for a dragon to fall in love or for a dog to solve crimes? See some wonderful animal adventures on the big screen.



© Ronan Badel



Film: Dilili in Paris

FR | 2018 | Dir. Michel Ocelot

2pm-3.30pm | in French with English subtitles | 6+ | £5

With the help of her delivery-boy friend, Dilili, a young girl from New Caledonia, investigates a spate of mysterious kidnappings of young girls that is plaguing Belle Epoque Paris. In the course of her investigation she encounters a series of extraordinary characters, each of whom provides her with clues that will help her in her quest...

Workshop with Ronan Badel

2pm-3pm | in French and English | 7+ | £7

Come and join Ronan Badel and his funny dragons for an unforgettable workshop based on his book *Oumpapoose*. Using just two coloured pens, learn all about the bichromy technique and take the express train for the Far West.

Workshop with Tor Freeman

2pm-3pm | in English | 8+ | £7

Tor Freeman's comic book *Welcome to Oddleigh* tells the story of two clever animals tasked with policing the far from ordinary town of Oddleigh. Tor will help you create your own comic characters ready to take on new adventures.



Young Adult Special: Christelle Dabos, Victor Dixen and Philip Reeve

3.30pm-4.30pm | in English | 12+ | £5

Christelle Dabos tells the story of a girl traveling through time thanks to mirrors (*A Winter's Promise*). Victor Dixen brings young people to Mars so that they can find love and settle a new colony there (*Phobos*). Philip Reeve writes about a future civilisation sprawled across many worlds, linked by a hyperspace railway (*Railhead*). Come witness this meeting of worlds!



© David Litchfield

Live Event: Draw Me Some Music

4pm-5pm | in French and English | all ages | £7

Jean de Brunhoff's famous little elephant Babar is a family favourite worldwide. Composed by Francis Poulenc in 1940, the musical version of the story is brought to life for the festival by French pianist Damien Luce and illustrator Kris Di Giacomo. The children are then asked to play a part!

© Tor Freeman

Public events at the Institut français

SATURDAY 24 NOVEMBER

Workshop with Charlotte Gastaut

4pm-5pm | in French and English | 3+ | £7

Make a giant tree grow and blossom during this poetic and flowery workshop with French illustrator Charlotte Gastaut. Children will be working with different types and shapes of paper to decorate the magical tree and all its leaves and blooms.

Workshop with Aurélia Fronty and Franck Prévot

4pm-5pm | in French and English | 5+ | £7

Are you a fan of the forest and its wonders? Then you have come to the right place! With their book *Wangari Maathai: The Woman Who Planted Millions of Trees*, author Franck Prévot and illustrator Aurélia Fronty will tell you all about protecting our mother nature in this eco-friendly workshop.

Impro!

5.30pm-6.30pm | in English | 5 to 105 | £7

Our favourite event of the weekend - a wild, musical, and festive end to the festival day, when all guest illustrators come up on stage to draw live and create unique pieces together, projected onto the big screen.



SUNDAY 25 NOVEMBER

Film: *Little Spirou*

FR | 2017 | Dir. Nicolas Bary

11am-12.30pm | in French with English subtitles | 6+ | £5

Like his entire family before him, Little Spirou is destined to become a professional bellboy. Before starting bellhop academy, Little Spirou decides, with the help of his friends, to make the most out of their last days together, and to confess his undying love to his sweetheart Suzette. An extraordinary adventure that she will never forget!

Workshop with Chris Haughton

11am-12pm | in English | 4+ | £7

Hilarious and funny-looking dogs, bears and owls are Chris Haughton's speciality... A fun-filled workshop where children will learn how to create colourful characters with collage techniques and different sorts of papers.



© Chris Haughton

Workshop: Okido

11am-12pm | in English | 3+ | £7

The amazing arts and science children magazine OKIDO invites children aged 3 to 8 to the screening of an episode where Messy, a very curious furry blue monster, learns all about music. All questions answered! Children will then make their own harmonica.



© Joe Todd Stanton

Workshop with Joe Todd Stanton

1pm-2pm | in English | 4+ | £7

From *The Secret of Black Rock* to *Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx*, Joe Todd Stanton's stories stage fearless little heroes with an adventurous spirit and a kind heart. Join him to help draw your own Black Rock and cover it in your favourite sea creatures or a Sphinx's tomb for Marcy to navigate complete with booby traps and monsters!

Workshop with Dianne Hofmeyr

1pm-2pm | in English | 6+ | £7

During this original workshop, children can create their own giraffe masks, drawing their inspiration from British author Dianne Hofmeyr's *Zeraffa Graffa*, the astonishing true story of a giraffe sent as a gift from Egypt to France in 1827.



© Dianne Hofmeyr

Brexit Romance: Clémentine Beauvais and Julian Sedgwick

1pm-2.30pm | in French and English | 12+ | £5

Interested in Europe? Meet French author, translator and lecturer at the University of York Clémentine Beauvais, discover her new European love story *Brexit Romance*, see her swap amazing stories with Julian Sedgwick, author of the prize-winning *Mysterium* series, and bring all your questions too!

Live Drawing: Magali Le Huche and Chris Haughton

2pm-2.45pm | in English | 3+ | £5

Winner of the the Cambridgeshire Picturebook award in 2011 for *A Bit Lost* Chris Haughton meets Magali Le Huche on stage, whose *Poppy* series has been a best seller in France since 2016. They will combine their distinctive collage and pen techniques for a unique adventure and, who knows, maybe create a new fable...



© Charlotte Gastaut

Public events at the Institut français



SUNDAY 25 NOVEMBER

Workshop with Bridget Marzo

3pm-4pm | in English | 3+ | £7

The lovely Bridget Marzo is back this year for a special workshop! She will read the story of how two friends, busy Tiz and sleepy Ott, get into trouble when drawing and painting their way to a new home. You'll be able to draw lots of friends of your own to join in at a big street party.

Jean de La Fontaine with Quentin Blake

3pm-4pm | in English | 10+ | £7

Friend and patron of the festival from the very beginning, Quentin Blake will talk about his illustrations and love for the French fabulist Jean de La Fontaine, now on every French child's school curriculum. Hares, turtles, cicadas, ants, crows, foxes... and plenty of thought-provoking morals at the end of those well-loved fables...

© Bridget Marzo



Workshop: MiniLab

3pm-4pm | in English | 8+ | £10

Looking for a fun digital activity? MiniLab is here for you. With Muvimi, make animated films starring YOU! Dress your actors, decorate your set and share your creations with friends.

Film: *Belle and Sebastian 3: The Final Chapter*

FR | 2018 | Dir. Clovis Cornillac

4pm-5.30pm | in French with English subtitles | 8+ | £5

In the final chapter of the series by Cécile Audry, Sebastian is starting adolescence and Belle is now a devoted mother of three adorable pups. But a new challenge awaits after a stranger named Joseph appears in their Swiss village and claims that he is Belle's rightful owner. More than ever, Sebastian will have to do all that is in his power to protect his friend Belle and her little ones...



© Quentin Blake

School Programme Highlights

The South Ken Kids Festival has at heart to reach out across London and beyond. Last year over 40 schools from nurseries to secondary schools were involved in the festival. From 19 to 23 November we offer different workshops, talks with authors, film screenings, theatre and translation: in French, English or both. Join us at the Institut français or let the festival come to you!

© Aurélia Fronty & Franck Prévot



WEDNESDAY 21 NOVEMBER

Theatre: Pop Up

11am-11.40am | in French and English
Nursery+ / Maternelle+ | £7

Two actors, two books (including Kris Di Giacomo and Michaël Escoffier's *BriefThief!* book), one Pop-Up display and a cello will meet for a live performance full of surprises.

THURSDAY 22 NOVEMBER

Meeting Christelle Dabos

9.15am-10am | in French and English | Y8+ / 5+ | £5

Christelle Dabos is making a special London appearance to talk about *A Winter's Promise*, a big French favourite just translated in the UK.

Children's Bookshow:

Aurélia Fronty and Franck Prévot

11am-12pm | in French and English | Y1+ / CP+ | Sold Out

Aurélia Fronty and Franck Prévot's book is the story of Wangari Maathai, an extraordinary woman who brought communities in East Africa together to plant over a million trees.

FRIDAY 23 NOVEMBER

Meeting Victor Dixen

9.30pm-10.30pm | in French and English | Y8+/5+ | £5

Join New-York-based French author Victor Dixen and take a plunge into his sci-fi world. 12 young people, recorded live, are bound for Mars where they are to create the first human colony. What will become of them? The book – translated by Daniel Hahn – is out this year in the UK, in three exciting volumes that we look forward to hearing about.

Translation workshop with Clémentine Beauvais

1pm-2pm | in French and English
Y8+ / 5+ | £5

French author Clémentine Beauvais is thrilled to share her passion for words with the students. Join her in this special translation workshop where pupils will find out more about writing stories in different languages.



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To see or download the full School Programme visit our website at www.southkenkidsfestival.co.uk.
With big thanks to the Friends of the French Institute trust.

Competitions

Multilingual Slam

Hosted by performance poet Michael Vidon, The Multilingual Poetry Slam competition introduces schools to poetry and word-play.

Language is at the core of this special workshop where students gain confidence in their writing, translating and speaking skills.

The Multilingual Slam Competition's theme this year is 'Peace', to commemorate the armistice's 100th anniversary.

Everyone is invited to the Grand Finale on Friday 23 November!



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Readers One and All

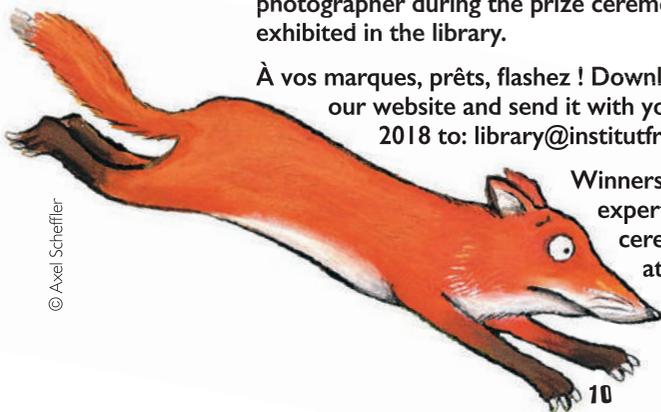
Have you always loved taking pictures? Do you also like books? Combine both passions to take a funky picture of someone reading, with a link to one of the festival books or stories!

The contest is open for every passionate reader up to 16 years old.

Don't miss your chance to win wonderful prizes, meet a professional photographer during the prize ceremony and have your photo exhibited in the library.

À vos marques, prêts, flashez ! Download the application form on our website and send it with your picture before 3 November 2018 to: library@institutfrancais.org.uk.

Winners will be selected by a panel of experts and revealed during a prize ceremony on Friday 23 November at 4pm.



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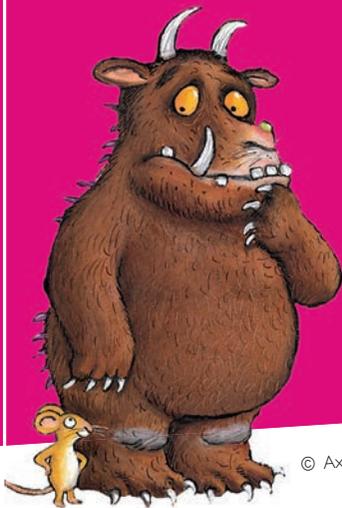
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