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ALORA WISHES YOU A HAPPY NEW YEAR 2016!

Message to our members

The ALORA Board voted in November 2015 to increase the monthly ALORA membership fee from the current rate of €2 a month to €2.50, effective from January 2016. This fee will be held steady until the next ALORA Board elections in June 2017. The ALORA membership fee has not risen since 2008. To see the full note, click [here](#).

Activities in January

8 January from 10-11:30 am. ALORA Café Contacts at Le Jardin du Petit Palais Café/Restaurant in the Musée du Petit Palais, avenue Winston Churchill, 75008 Paris, M° Champs-Élysées Clémenceau. This activity is geared toward **spouses or partners of OECD, IEA, NEA and OECD member country delegation staff**. Come and learn more about the many ALORA activities available and network with other spouses and partners (both new and not-so-new to Paris) over a cup of coffee or tea. Contact leslietaylorwhite@gmail.com for more information and to confirm your attendance. Next Café Contacts: Friday, 5 February.

12 January at 7:15 pm. This month, the **English Book Club** will discuss "*The Last Word and Other Stories*" by Graham Greene. Contact mieke.reece@gmail.com to sign up and for more information.

17 January. Hike. For details, contact Jacques Scornaux: j.scornaux@wanadoo.fr, 01 41 93 19 28.

21 January at 10 am. Exploring Paris: Opera Garnier with Claude Rocca (in English). Limited to 25 participants. Price 12€ for ALORA members, 14€ for non-members. Payment to ALORA. For more information or a complete list of visits: Maria Boonekamp, maria.boonekamp@orange.fr.

28 January at 12:15 pm. Le Cercle de lecture en français (French literature group) will be held in the Café de la Gare, Chaussée de la Muette. The book to be discussed is "*La cantatrice chauve*" by Eugène Ionesco. Enrol with the coordinator Jacqueline Potier at 01 30 53 03 51, michel-potier@wanadoo.fr. New members are welcome.

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Other information

Reduced-price theatre tickets. Coordinator: Monique Legroux – legroux.monique@orange.fr – 01 45 27 37 34 / 06 83 80 99 01.



New shows on display

New Year gifts

Why not offer someone a ticket to the theatre?

[Click here to see the full list of performances.](#)

French language classes (beginners, intermediate and advanced) at the OECD, Marshall Building. Improve your grammar and communication skills with a highly qualified, very experienced bilingual French teacher. Groups or individual lessons. For more information, contact francinecg@hotmail.fr.

French language classes (intermediate) with Jacqueline Potier in the Marshall Building begin again on 5 January. Free conversation group on Tuesdays from 10:30 am – noon. Intermediate level classes from 12:30-2 pm. **Registration is open.** Enrol with the teacher Jacqueline Potier at 01 30 53 03 51, michel-potier@wanadoo.fr.

French conversation on current events from January. Small groups with an experienced and qualified international journalist and news commentator. Fridays 12 – 2 pm. For more information: jeanne.dimeglio@orange.fr.

Registration for Spanish lessons (all levels) at the Marshall Building and at DELTA is already open. Contact silvanagaeta@yahoo.com.ar to book your place.

Private Ads

Marionnaud partnership: Sign up for your **Carte M** and always receive 20% off in the boutique or online at www.marionnaud.com. Present our promotional code: OECD-ALORA: 1B41VZ7F along with your ALORA card or your OECD badge to register for your Carte M.

Deals on **online shopping at Philips** – “Innovative products for everyone”. You can benefit from **25% off** of products and accessories from the following categories when shopping on the Philips online shop: « body products », « childcare products » and « home equipment » - [To find out more](#)

Pizza Oro : 59, rue Boulainvilliers, near M° La Muette. www.pizzaoro.fr. **10% discount to ALORA and OECD members** by presenting your card or badge. Eat in, take away or delivery. 10th pizza for free.

Pasta Oro: 144 Avenue de Versailles, 75016 Paris, 15 minute walk from Delta. <http://www.pastaoro.com>. **10% off of your meal with the OECD or ALORA badge.**

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