



## Programme for schools: French and Science

# Glasgow Science Festival 2013 at the **Alliance Française de Glasgow**

For the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year, the *Alliance Française de Glasgow* is taking part in the *Glasgow Science Festival*. We are delighted to host a special bilingual French/English exhibition in June entitled "*L'eau au coeur de la science*", along with the screening of Yann Arthus-Bertrand's acclaimed documentary "La Soif du monde". As with previous years, we are also running specialised workshops for secondary school pupils.

This project highlights the dynamic partnership between twinned cities Glasgow and Marseille as well as the regular collaboration between the AF Glasgow and the Science Festival.

Furthermore, this exhibition will be the opportunity to draw attention to the *6th World Water Forum* which was held in Marseille in 2012.

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### ➤ WORKSHOPS

We are pleased to announce that **a scientist from Marseille will be coming to the AF Glasgow on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> June to work with secondary school pupils during their visit of the exhibition.**

Interactive activities will be available to the pupils in order to make them understand the various environmental and scientific issues surrounding water.

**There are two options available for the schools:**

- A visit of the exhibition with activities (1hr) ;
- A visit of the exhibition with activities (1hr) and the screening of Yann Arthus-Bertrand's film "*La Soif du monde*" (1hr30).

A tour of our multimedia Library (around 30mins) can also be arranged before/after the exhibition.

**Dates: Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June & Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June.**

**Please note that places are strictly limited and must be booked in advance.** Contact the *Language Office* for more information and bookings:

**0141 331 4080 / [admin@afglasgow.org.uk](mailto:admin@afglasgow.org.uk)**



*Organised with the French association*

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➤ **EXHIBITION**



“*Water at the heart of science*”

As part of the [Glasgow Science Festival 2013](#), The *Alliance Française* is hosting a **bilingual French/English exhibition** entitled “*L’eau au coeur de la science*” (*Water at the heart of science*). From the Mediterranean basin to the valleys of the Andes, this exhibition presents some of the main French research projects in the field of water. **Richly illustrated and educational**, it leads to a better understanding of the role of research in the sustainable management of water, a vital resource that is essential to development.

The exhibition was prepared for the *International Year of Water Cooperation 2013*. It is co-produced by the *Institut Français*, the *Institut de Recherche pour le Développement* and the *Centre de Culture Scientifique et Technique de la région Centre*.

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➤ **SCREENING**

“*La Soif du monde*” (*A Thirsty world*), directed by Yann Arthus-Bertrand.



This documentary explores one of the major challenges to human survival: water.

Today, against a backdrop of sharply increasing demand, growth in the world population and the growing impact of an unsettled climate, **water has become one of the most precious natural resources of our planet.**

Engaging internationally recognized personalities or simple front-line players, illuminate the film with their energy, their imagination and their enthusiasm.

**Because access to clean drinking water is more than ever the big challenge of tomorrow.**

Born in 1946, **Yann Arthus-Bertrand** has always had a passion for the animal world and the natural environment. He became a photographer and focused mostly on environmental issues, collaborating frequently with *Géo*, *National Geographic*, *Life*, *Paris Match* etc. Yann Arthus-Bertrand also created the *Goodplanet Foundation* which aims to raise public awareness of environmental issues, implement carbon offset programmes and fight deforestation with local NGOs. Due to his involvement with the foundation, Yann Arthus-Bertrand is today considered more an environmentalist and activist than a photographer. **It is because of his strong commitment that he was designated *Goodwill Ambassador for the United Nations Environment Programme* on Earth Day (April 22nd, 2009).**

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## About the Alliance Française de Glasgow

Established in 1982, the *Alliance Française de Glasgow* is one of the tenth AF currently teaching in the United Kingdom. Run by a Board of Directors, it is located in Park Circus, under the same roof as the *Goethe-Institute* since 2004. As a local not-for-profit organisation, it reflects the desire to share with others the love of the language, culture and other various aspects of the French way of life. We offer courses for adults and children of all levels and all ages.



Teaching activities are complemented by a wide range of cultural and social events such as the *Cafés*, the *French Film Festival*, exhibitions etc. Our multimedia library also offers a wide selection of items in French (DVDs, books, CDs).

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