

## CPF Chapter Update - October, 2010

### *Membership Drive 2010*

Now is a great time to renew your CPF membership! All applications or renewals submitted by November 15 are entered for a prize draw which includes \$100 gift certificates to Kidsbooks, free PNE passes to Playland and to the Fair (four apiece) for the 2011 year, and books. Stay informed and help support French Immersion in Vancouver! Just click [here](#).

### *French Tutoring by Voilà Learning*

This fall, **Voilà Learning** will begin offering French tutoring services in the Vancouver area. Please see their webpage for more details [www.voilalearning.com/english/](http://www.voilalearning.com/english/)

### *Don't Speak French But Wish You Did? Educacentre College Launches New Program*

This fall, **Educacentre College** will be offering a new French Second Language program, available both online and at their Vancouver campus. Please visit their [website for French Second Language Learning](#) for more information. This program is designed to replace the popular French for Parents program the college developed years ago in collaboration with CPF – BC & Yukon.

### *Will Stroet at Granville Island*

Vancouver children's musician and educator [Will Stroet](#) performs high-energy and interactive music in English and French for school-aged children. Will releases a new English CD on November 21. He will be in Vancouver at Performance Works on Granville Island from 2-4 pm. To buy tickets, please email [tickets@willmusic.ca](mailto:tickets@willmusic.ca).

### *Visions Ouest Matinée*

Visions Ouest Productions is organizing French film screenings on **October 12th** and **13th** at **SilverCity Coquitlam** (170 Schoolhouse Street, Coquitlam). Two films are being shown: "Le Petit Nicholas" (suitable for 6th-12th grade students), and "Noemie le Secret" (suitable for kindergarten - 5th grade students). Admission is only \$5, but registrants must complete the attached form and return it by fax (604-876-6589) or email [info@rendez-vousvancouver.com](mailto:info@rendez-vousvancouver.com). More information is available [here](#).

### *West Language Learning Conference*

The **3rd Annual French West Language Learning Conference** will take place **Saturday, October 16, 2010**, from **9:00 am - 5:30 pm**, at **SFU Vancouver**. This language workshop is useful for beginner, intermediate and advanced French learners. Instructors will teach participants how to think in French, avoid word-for-word translation and improve their

accent. It promises to be an exciting day of *Aha! moments* that parents can pass along to their children. **There is a discount for CPF members and early registrants!** Seating will be limited. Conference details, including registration information, is available online at [www.word-nerd.ca](http://www.word-nerd.ca).

## ***Post-secondary Information Night***

What would it be like to get a *bachelier dès arts* instead of a B.A. without having to leave the country? Post-secondary institutions from across Canada, including Simon Fraser University (OAFF/OFFA), the University of Ottawa, the University of Victoria, the University of Alberta (Campus St-Jean) and Educacentre College have confirmed their participation at our second post-secondary information evening. The evening will take place **November 18, 2011** at **SFU Surrey, room 5240**. It will run from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM, with doors opening at 6:30 PM. **Admission is free, but you must RSVP before Monday, November 15.** You can RSVP via e-mail: [psayyari@cpf.bc.ca](mailto:psayyari@cpf.bc.ca) or on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=139602806085904>

## ***Events for French Speaking Youth from CJFCB***

*Le Conseil Jeunesse Francophone de la Colombie Britannique* publishes a newsletter, *Ça Bouge!*, which advertises a variety of events for French-speaking youth. Details (in French only) and registration forms for all events are available at [www.cjfc.com](http://www.cjfc.com).

Highlights include:

- French improv drama groups for students from grades 9-12 in Greater Vancouver and Victoria. Teams of 4-5 students will compete in local, provincial and national competitions. Registration is open until October 8th.
- Every three years, French-speaking youth between 14 and 18 from across Canada take part in athletic, artistic, and leadership competitions at *Les Jeux de la francophonie canadienne* (Canada's francophone games). The next competition will take place in Sudbury, Ontario from July 20-24, 2011. To stay informed about dates for the B.C. try-outs, or to volunteer as a chaperone or coach, email [information@cjfc.com](mailto:information@cjfc.com).
- Our province's own francophone games, *Les Jeux francophones de la Colombie-Britannique*, will take place from May 20-23, 2011. Registration runs from March 7- April 15, 2011.
- A simulated francophone parliament will take place from January 13-16, 2011 in Victoria. Youth between 14-25 are invited to register before November 1, 2010.
- Youth over 15 years old are invited to register for the North and West Franco-Canadian parliament. This parliament will take place from November 11-14, 2010 in Whitehorse. Registration is open until October 11.

*Your French Immersion Parent Association* [www.cpf.bc.ca/vannorth](http://www.cpf.bc.ca/vannorth)