



Alliance Française

Vancouver

DONOR REPORT
2022

OUR HISTORY



Established in Vancouver in 1904, Alliance Française Vancouver (AFV) is a local Canadian non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the French language and culture managed by a board of volunteer directors.

AFV is the third largest AF in North America, after New York and Toronto..

A diverse community gathered around French-speaking cultures and Canadian dual-linguistic heritage



MISSION

- Offer French language education programs to all ages and at all levels.
- Promote local and international francophone cultures.
- Offer a welcoming space for the community to enjoy cultural and educational programs.

2022: A CHALLENGING YEAR



Marie-Claire Howard

Chair | Alliance Française Vancouver

Since embarking on its ambitious rebuilding project in 2014, **the finish line is finally in sight for Alliance Française Vancouver (AFV)**. 2023 will be the year when we transition to expanded cultural programming in our new facility at 6161 Cambie. With a fully accessible 165-seat theatre, a dedicated art gallery on Cambie, a médiathèque equipped with the newest VR technology and artists' studios, AFV is poised to become a major hub for emerging artists in Vancouver. **This is thanks to your generosity.** The AFV community and our business and cultural partners are pulling together to raise the funds that will ensure that local artists have a place to perform and show their work in Vancouver.



Damien Hubert

Executive Director | Alliance Française Vancouver

2022 was a great year but no without some challenges for the construction of our new building. Concrete supplier strike, harsh weather, increasing costs in the industry caused by supply chain issues and lack of manpower, have created significant delays. Thanks to a strong team of dedicated staff and committed volunteers, we are still on track to open in 2023. We did a great job sourcing new fundings and the launch of the Theatre Seats Campaign was very successful. **AFV has a great community of supporters, and I feel very grateful to be part of such an amazing Francophone family.** It gives me lots of positive energy for 2023!

2022 IN NUMBERS

EDUCATION

Alliance Française Vancouver offers courses for all ages and all levels of French.

30

French as a Second Language teachers

870

diplomas & certification exams

2100

students

CULTURE

Beyond the numbers, this year of artistic and human experiences reinforced our mission to bring together audiences and creators.

95

local, national, and international artists

140

online and in-person multidisciplinary activities

+4000

spectators of all ages

COMMUNITY

This year, we improved our offer by adding more books, media and activities in our media library for French-speaking families & children.

+360

new books, media & activities

3000

members

+3000

followers on our Social Media accounts

THANK YOU

We are incredibly grateful to our government, the many corporations, foundations, individuals, and community supporters who generously funded Alliance Française Vancouver, allowing us to continue pursuing our mission in 2022.

Through your support, our team has continued promoting the French language and Francophone cultures by creating exceptional and rewarding experiences for our community. Additionally, these contributions have allowed us to make significant progress in the construction of our upcoming premises, where we eagerly anticipate welcoming you all to share memorable moments.

**IN 2022 ALLIANCE FRANCAISE
VANCOUVER RAISED**

\$ 2,721,671

\$ 2,578,547

from various grants and towards the construction of our new building

\$ 36,114

from our individual donors towards the construction of our new building

\$ 107,010

towards our cultural programming

OUR SUPPORTERS 2022

INDIVIDUAL DONORS

\$100 - \$999

Alexandre Delamaire
 Brenda & Robert Howard
 Cosme Fandy
 Damien Hubert
 Daniel Wang
 Daniele Poudenx
 Gabriele & Matt Howard
 Gino Leblanc
 Joel Oger
 Julie Wang
 Laurent Fabre
 Marta Maftai
 Mutongo Claude Makulu
 Nicholas Humniski
 Regis Painchaud & Lorraine Fortin
 Stanley Ulmer
 Suzy Buckley
 Virginie Linage

\$1,000 - \$9,999

Chris Bernard
 Chris Cornish
 Emmanuel Herique
 Lorraine Bennett
 Meena Amlani
 Mary Maxwell Tait
 Pierre Beugnot
 Richard Brown
 Robert Khouri
 Shao Ying Xie

IN-KIND PARTNERS

Blakes Vancouver
 Howard Employment Law

VOLUNTEERS

Every year we have a dedicated number of volunteers that help us in our library and our numerous events. Their help is invaluable during our projects.

OUR SPONSORS

GOVERNMENT

\$500,000 and above

The Government of Canada

\$250,000 - \$499,999

The Province of British Columbia

\$20,000 - \$49,999

Ambassade de France au Canada

City of Vancouver

\$1,000 - \$19,999

The Government of Quebec

CORPORATES

\$20,000 - \$74,999

Royal Bank of Canada

FOUNDATIONS

\$20,000 - \$74,999

The Molson Foundation

\$1,000 - \$19,999

The Hamber Foundation

The CIBC Foundation

GRANTS RECEIVED 2022

\$500,000 and above

Canada Community Revitalization Fund by Government of Canada

Canadian Community Space Funds by Canadian Heritage

\$250,000 - \$499,999

Canadian Cultural Space Funds by Canadian Heritage

\$75,000 - \$249,999

Mass Timber Demonstration Program by Province of BC

Art Infrastructures BC Art Council by Province of BC

\$20,000 - \$74,999

Community Gaming by Province of BC

Small grant for Cultural Spaces by the City of Vancouver

Cinéma Numérique Ambassade de France

Community Cultural Action Fund by Canadian Heritage

Royal Bank of Canada

\$1,000 - \$19,999

Creative BC by Province of BC

Support in the Canadian Francophonie by Government of Quebec

The Hamber Foundation

The CIBC Foundation

OUR PARTNERS

CULTURAL PARTNERS

Alliances Francaises Canada
 Ambassade de France au Canada
 Arts of Festival
 Bastille Day Festival
 Bureau des Affaires Francophones de SFU
 Centre culturel Francophone de Vancouver CCAFCB
 Centre de la Francophonie UBC
 Centre for Digital Media
 Chambre de Commerce Francophone
 CINEMANIA
 CJFCB
 Conseil Scolaire Francophone
 Consulat de France Vancouver
 Consulat General Suisse Vancouver
 Consulate of Germany
 Consulate of Greece
 Consulate of Italy
 Cousteau School
 Dance Center
 Dance House
 DigiBC
 Dîner en Blanc
 Econova
 EUNIC Canada
 Educaption
 FAIR
 Frontier Collective
 Georgia Straight
 Inform'Elles
 Institut Français
 KIF
 KREIS Immersive

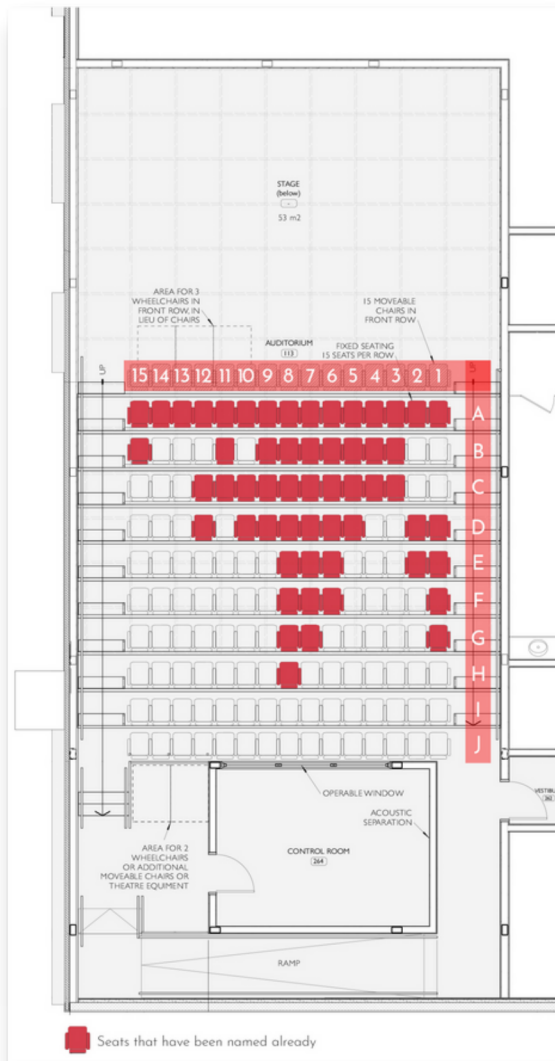
Our cultural partners have been vital in facilitating the presentation of an extensive array of cultural activities and events.

La Boussole
 Long & McQuade
 MOA
 Museum of Vancouver
 National Canadian Film Day
 National Film Board of Canada
 New Images
 Polygon Gallery
 Radio Canada
 Réseau Femmes
 Roedde House Museum
 SFU Woodwards
 Théâtre La Seizième
 UBC
 Vancouver Comics Arts Festival
 Vancouver Civic Theatre
 Vancouver en Français
 VIFF
 Vancouver Mural Festival
 Visions Ouest Productions
 Vancouver Public Library
 Webouest
 Writers Festival

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Benton Brothers
 Daniel Chocolates
 Eclipse Events
 Jules Bistro
 Liberty Wine Merchants

OUR THEATRE SEATS SPONSORS



Our new theatre will be an essential contribution to our cultural community. On its stage, spectators will discover and experience many artists and performances from the francophone community and the world.

Our gratitude goes to the 35 donors who generously supported our theatre's fundraising campaign by naming a seat. Your contribution has helped us immensely in our efforts, and we are deeply grateful for your support.

We would also like to thank the CCF and the CCAFCB for their invaluable support and contribution throughout this campaign.

As of April 1st, 2023, 55 of the 150 seats have been named.

Your support is crucial to our project, and we welcome any contributions you can make to help establish our future theatre as a cornerstone of Vancouver's cultural landscape.

Take advantage of the opportunity to be part of the legacy of Alliance Française Vancouver!

TESTIMONIES

"...the support of the AFV was essential to develop my artistic career in B.C. By lending me a space to develop and present my theatre play, the AFV helped me create the first contact with vancouverites and let people discover my work...**It is my wish that the AFV can support other artists as it has done with me so that the francophone artists of Vancouver can be more prominent in the province...**"



Anais Pellin

*Artist and Creative Director
Kleine Compagnie*



Lorraine Bennett

*Donor, Member, Student,
and Volunteer*

"...learning a language is not only about words and grammar, a language is a culture... When AFV launched the campaign to raised funds for the theatre, it appeared to me as **a double opportunity to buy a seat for myself to show my support towards the project and buy a seat in honour of someone else.** That's what I did. With other students we gathered the funds to dedicate a seat in honour of someone who we feel deserves it."

CULTURAL PROGRAMS

The financial contributions received in 2022 helped us present 99 online and in-person events, of which our most prominent projects were:

ESPACE V - V-UNFRAMED

In 2022, the 2nd edition of V-Unframed took place, with over 13 digital art exhibitions of local and international artists. With a sold-out event, our virtual platform Espace V is reaching a larger audience and promoting culture in an innovative way.

FÊTE DE LA MUSIQUE

On the occasion of Fête de la Musique, a series of concerts from professional and amateur musicians took place in Vancouver. A large number of attendees got to enjoy and dance in a welcoming environment!

IL ÉTAIT UNE FOIS VANCOUVER

In 2022, "Il était une fois Vancouver," continued with its monthly theatrical storytelling free of charge to families in the Greater Vancouver area. Each month, different francophone artists shared their talent with families, contributing to the enrichment of the French language and francophone cultures.



CAPITAL INVESTMENTS

Funding received in 2022 helped us with the following capital investments:

CULTURAL SPACES

\$384,000 in funds provided by Canadian Heritage are being directed toward our new art gallery and theatre.

The Province of BC through the BC Art Council provided **\$175,000** in funds that will be directed towards the equipment of our theatre.

COMMUNITY SPACES

\$925,000 provided by Canadian Heritage and **\$750,000** provided by PacifiCan are being directed toward our new community spaces such as our future Media Library, Demonstration Kitchen and our community spaces.



Taleeb Noormohamed

*Member of Parliament
(Vancouver Granville)*

"It's a real pleasure to announce this project on behalf of the Honourable Ginnette Petitpas Taylor. **This investment will help in the creation of a gathering space for British Columbia's Francophone community,** especially in Vancouver. This is a great example of how we can promote our official languages and allow them to flourish in the future."

A NEW HOME



As we journey towards unlocking the doors of our new home together, your unwavering support continues to be absolutely crucial to address increasing costs and delays .

We cannot do this without you, and we thank you for standing with us.

Once a vision that started five years ago, 2023 will mark the opening of our new home.

The construction of our new building has faced challenges but is making progress. This new facility will be a modern and thoughtful reflection of today's world, designed with the best sustainability standards; it is an open place for multicultural dialogues, debates, education, and environmental consciousness, fully integrated with Vancouver's community and cultural life.

We look forward to welcoming you to our new facilities to continue discovering the richness and variety of the French language and francophone cultures.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR SUPPORTERS

Since 2018, the collective dedication and efforts of all have facilitated the Alliance Française in raising a substantial amount of **\$4,782,102** with **\$4,483,960** towards the construction of its new building and **\$298,142** towards its cultural programming.

Despite these incredible numbers, we still need your financial support to overcome the current economic challenges and complete this wonderful project!


Your donation will be permanently invested and will provide the community with a new home to learn, gather, share, and create memories around French language and francophone cultures.

To find out more information on our new building and ways to support Alliance Française Vancouver, please contact:

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