



Immersion Weekend for Teachers of French

Through the Annual French Film Festival in Richmond, Virginia, Virginia Commonwealth University, University of Richmond, the Cultural Services of the French Embassy, and the American Association of Teachers of French of Virginia are again in collaboration providing middle and secondary-school teachers of French across the state with the opportunity to use French and to increase their understanding of French culture through an immersion weekend associated with the activities of the **2009 VCU and UR French Film Festival** to be held on **March 27–29, 2009**.



The VCU and UR French Film Festival is a unique French cultural event founded and directed by Drs. Peter and Françoise Kirkpatrick. The festival showcases newly released films from France. All screenings are at the historic Byrd Theatre in Richmond and have English subtitles. The French actors and directors come to town to present their new films to the American public in the Byrd Theatre with question/answer sessions after each screening. On Saturday evening, the French delegation of stars interacts further with viewers during the Official Reception held at the Scott House in the heart of the VCU Monroe Park campus. In addition to the regular activities and events of the festival, the immersion weekend is a wonderful experience for middle and high school teachers of French. VCU and UR's College of Humanities and Sciences, School of World Studies, Office of Community Programs, the Cultural Services of the French Embassy, and the AATF of Virginia will offer an immersion French cultural weekend associated with the festival. Teachers will be able to **earn up to 2 or 3 graduate credits or 90 points towards recertification**.

Price information: Your cost for **the total workshop including the Faculty VIP Pass**, graduate registration fee, and two graduate credits is \$380, or with one additional graduate credit is \$455. Packages include:

Faculty VIP Pass to the festival:

- Guaranteed seating at the Byrd Theatre to all films featured at the festival
- Guaranteed seating during the actor/director discussions after the showing of each film
- Invitation to the Official Festival Reception with the stars on Saturday night at the Scott House (7-9 p.m.)

Course work for two graduate credits:

- Attendance at all films and all discussions with the French directors and actors
- Personal conversations with French directors and actors during question/answer sessions in the Byrd after each film, during the weekend of the Festival and during the Saturday evening event Official Reception
- Option to take one additional graduate credit

Send in your registration form before March 1, 2009.

Registration (please print)

Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP code: _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____

School: _____ Social Security Number: _____

E-mail: _____

I would like to register for:

Graduate Course Package:

_____ Package with 2 graduate credits (\$380)

_____ Package with 3 graduate credits (\$455)

Please mail this form and a check for \$230 made out to **VCU French Film Festival**. Send this check to: *The French Film Festival Office, Attn: Gabrielle A Alexander, Millhiser House, 817 West Franklin Street, Room 221 P.O. Box 843073, Richmond, VA 23284-3073*. Again, make checks payable to: **VCU French Film Festival**. Upon receipt of your check, your Faculty VIP Pass for the Festival will then be sent to you with the necessary VCU Registrar forms.

Upon completing and sending to the Festival Office the VCU Registrar forms, you will then be registered. It is that simple. You will receive a bill directly from the VCU Registrar Office for the remaining package costs: the special discounted cost of each graduate credit hour is \$75. Therefore the remaining balance for 2-credit hours is \$150, or the 3-credit option is \$225. For more festival information, contact Gabrielle A Alexander at (804)827-3456 or frenchfilm@vcu.edu, or visit the festival Web site: www.frenchfilm.vcu.edu.

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