

# *Alliance Française de Fresno*

## *Newsletter*

**Mai 2010**

**The Alliance Française de Fresno and the Fresno Art Museum are delighted to announce:**

**A Lecture by Robert Boro, *The Gardens of France***

**May 12, 7:00 PM**

Fresno Art Museum

2233 N First Street, Fresno

(See notice below regarding scholarship presentations beginning at 6:15 PM)

Admission is free to the public.



Robert Boro was born in Fresno to a pioneer family. He studied Landscape Architecture at UC Berkeley and worked in Brussels and Jerusalem for two years before returning to practice here 37 years ago. A lifetime Francophile, he visits France often. At Fontainebleau he studied historic gardens and continues to be fascinated by all aspects of French gardens. Mr. Boro has always given back to the Fresno community by supporting historic preservation, all of the cultural arts and social justice. His lecture will include slides of diverse gardens in France with a focus on their design and cultural context. With humor and great entertainment value, Mr. Boro is certain to educate the eye to recognize the French Style.

### **CAFÉS DE L'ALLIANCE, PLEASE NOTE:**

The Cafés de l'Alliance are now meeting for conversation in French every Thursday from 3:30-5:00 PM. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month we meet from 3:30-6:00 PM. We meet at La Boulangerie in Fig Garden Village. Please join us.



**SAVE THE DATE:**

**Sunday, July 11, 2010 – BASTILLE DAY BASH!**

**Details in next newsletter!**

**KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN!**

**Possible August bus trip to San Francisco to view Impressionist paintings from the Musée d'Orsay. Details in next newsletter!**



## **L'ALLIANCE FRANÇAISE DE FRESNO SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS FOR 2010:**



The Scholarship Committee (Jim Cardella, Sandie Flettner, John Freitas, Françoise Kinzel and Diana List) had a difficult selection process this year, because there were 29 qualified applicants. Due to generous donations from Bette Peterson and Oran and Carol McNeil, the committee was able to grant 13 scholarships. We thank these donors as well as all teachers who sponsored students. The Alliance Française de Fresno is pleased to announce this year's recipients.

### **HIGH SCHOOL RECIPIENTS OF \$500 SCHOLARSHIPS**

Alan Sato, student of Sally Babcock at Buchanan High in Clovis  
Alejandro Covarrubias, student of Bruce Babcock at Sanger High in Sanger  
Veronica Flores, student of Bruce Babcock at Sanger High in Sanger  
Juan Luevanos, student of Sandy Dana-Kildow at Golden West High in Visalia  
Andrea Helms, student of Patricia Duvet at Sierra High in Tollhouse  
Dale Oliver, student of Patricia Duvet at Sierra High in Tollhouse  
Beth Tritch, student of Patricia Duvet at Sierra High in Tollhouse  
Zaida Muñoz, student of Blandine Vu at Sunnyside High in Fresno  
Kimberly Losenara, student of Carol Walters at Lemoore High in Lemoore  
Yew Saephan, student of Lily Gordon-Walker at Golden Valley High in Merced

**The Oran and Carol McNeil Scholarship goes to the highest scoring high school student:**

**Ana Aceves-Cabrera, student of Lily Gordon-Walker at Golden Valley High in Merced**

### **COLLEGE RECIPIENTS OF \$1,000 SCHOLARSHIPS**

Briana McDonald, student of Dr. Kao-Ly Yang at California State University, Fresno

**The Bette Peterson Scholarship goes to the highest scoring college student:**

**Maria Hernandez, student of Dr. Rose Marie Kuhn at California State University, Fresno**

**To honor these students, the Alliance Française is having a short reception for recipients, teachers and guests at 6:15 p.m., followed by an awards presentation at 6:45 p.m. on the evening of May 12 at the Fresno Arts Museum, 2233 N. First St. in Fresno. This reception and presentation will precede the Robert Boro lecture that evening beginning shortly after 7:00 p.m. Members and guests are welcome.**

Interested in learning or improving your French? Contact Odette Cohen (435-3285) for adult classes and Micheline Curnyn (435-5532) for children's classes.



American composer Morten Lauridsen's beautiful settings of three lovely French poems are included in the next concert of Fresno Community Chorus. As described by one reviewer: "Set to French poems of the German poet Rainer Maria Rilke, *Les Chansons des Roses* is a unified study in elegance, as are its poems and the roses they describe. This concert features songs of American composers, with many of the works connecting closely with California. Programmed music varies from sparkling to emotive, sure to resonate with the listening audience. Copland, Lauridsen, Thompson, and other composers including locals Ron Kean and Kevin Memley. Sunday, May 16, 2:30 PM, CSU Fresno Music Department Concert Hall, 5241 N. Maple Avenue, Fresno. General \$15; students \$8. Tickets available at the door or in advance from chorus members. For information contact Chris Darling: (559) 906-5438.