

VIVE L'AFR ANCE!

MELTING VINYL FESTIVAL OF
FRENCH MUSIC & CULTURE
26-28 JANVIER 2012

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French music industry discussions
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(*The Line of Best Fit*), Kieron Tyler (*MOJO*), Jules
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Christophe Quemin (*Get Your Acts Together*)

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Duke of York's Picturehouse

Late show

Amelie - exclusive screening

Mélanie Pain - live performance
(*Nouvelle Vague*)

11 - 2am | £7 advance/£8 door

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institutfrancais.com

lesinrocks.com

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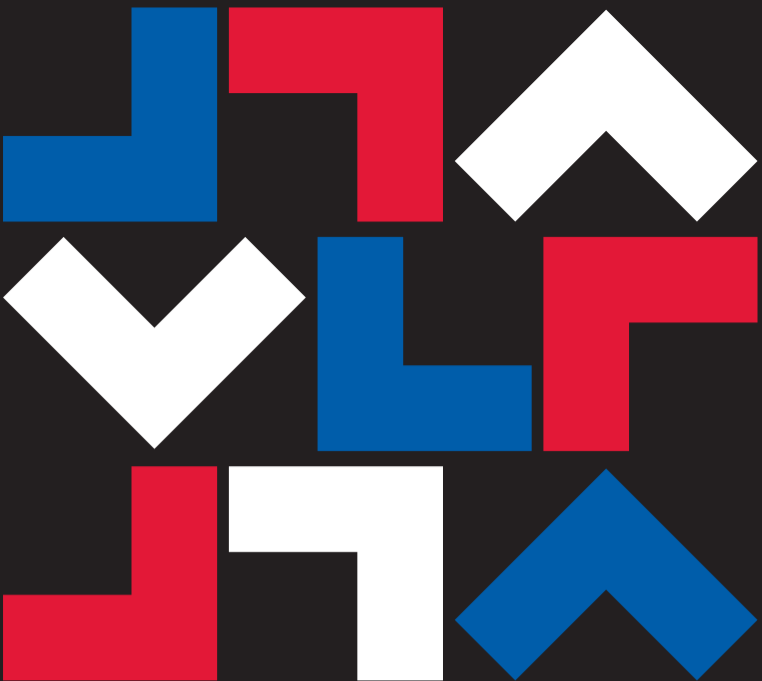
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thegreendoorstore.co.uk

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Polarsets (Kitsune)
French Connection
Having already picked up prestigious slots alongside the likes of Two Door Cinema Club and released their music through legendary French label Kitsune, three-piece Polarsets will be joining us for this year's Vive La France! Describing themselves as 'playful and melodic', they're being tipped for very big things...
polarsets.com

College
Anyone who's seen the brilliant 'Drive' might be familiar with College. AKA David Greller, whose track 'A Real Hero' graced its end titles influenced by artists such as Aphex Twin and having collaborated with Anoraak, Electric Youth and more, he'll be showcasing his immersive electronic compositions, every bit as cool as the aforementioned film.
soundcloud.com/college

Air Bag One
Hot off the release of their much hyped debut EP 'Summer Killed Us', charismatic indie-pop trio Air Bag One bring their effervescent live show to Brighton. This lot have already come a long way since they began jamming Wombats tunes in the Parisian suburbs and you wouldn't want to bet against them being inescapable in 2012.
facebook.com/airbagone

JD the DJ (Les Inrocks)
One of the most influential figures in French music, JD The DJ is a founder of Les Inrockuptibles and has been the magazine's music editor since its formation. A true pioneer of new music right from his pirate radio beginnings, JD's DJ sets have become legendary at festivals across the globe.
lesinrocks.com

The Green Door Store
7 - 10.30 pm | Gratuit

Francois & The Atlas Mountains
The first French band ever to sign to Domino Records, Francois & The Atlas Mountains set out their all-pop still somewhere between the sunnily feel-good and the wistfully melancholy, drawing eclectic influences from chanson, indie, African and Middle Eastern sounds. Receiving much acclaim from the French press, Francois Mary and co are already creating waves on our shores... be sure to get down early and reserve a space at the front.
francoisandtheatlasmountains.com

Mesparrow
Having drawn influence from artists as diverse as PJ Harvey, Laurie Anderson and Billie Holiday, Mesparrow has carved out a truly impressive niche for herself, her mesmerising live shows part celebration and part confessional. A stunning performer, Mesparrow makes her mark wherever she goes.
myspace.com/mesparrow

Les Zits
French Connection
Brighton's own French Connection pioneers, Les Zits, make their third consecutive appearance at Vive La France!, bringing their laid-back Chanson stylings back to the festival by popular demand.

Vendredi, 27 Janvier

The Hope
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Turzi
Highly rated by influential tastemakers like Pitchfork, and admired by their esteemed countrymen Air, who signed them to their Record Makers' label, Turzi, led by the eponymous Roman Turzi, have earned their friends in high places with the strength and individuality of their complex, darkly heavy electronic.
myspace.com/turzi

Concrete Knives
Harking back to the quirky, exuberant alternative-pop of the eighties, Concrete Knives may be revivalists, but they're effortlessly likeable. Inspired by rooting through their parents' vinyl collections, this Caen outfit have crafted an exciting cocktail of sounds and styles that's guaranteed to get you dancing!
concreteknives.com

Halfway
French Connection
Brighton four-piece Halfway draw from the UK, France and all corners of the musical world to create a nuanced, unclassifiable new hybrid, using and abusing traditional rock instrumentation but consistently defying expectations. There's an intriguing stylistic puzzle, but one that's worthy of your time, and has to be seen to be believed.
soundcloud.com/halfway

L'Amour Electronique Djs
French Connection
Also on the agenda, L'Amour Electronique will be making their first appearance at this year's festival with a DJ set. Brighton's foremost purveyors of cross-channel sounds, they'll be mixing things up with the classic, the contemporary, and plenty of unexpected delights.
lamourelectronique.blogspot.com

The Green Door Store
7 - 10pm | Gratuit

Phoebé Killdeer & the Short Straws
Writing and performing her own music from a very young age, Phoebé Killdeer came to the attention of the world through her involvement with Nouvelle Vague, but this, her solo project, has seen Phoebé create something remarkable. With influences including Nick Cave and Tom Waits, her music with 'The Short Straws' is dark and sultry, rooted in the sweat, grit and sexuality of the blues.
facebook.com/phoebekilldeer

Justine Taton
Touring and performing from her early teens, Justine Taton has been immersed in music her whole life, and it shows in her amazing versatility as a writer and performer of mesmerizing pop. Growing up in Montpellier on a diet of Marvin Gaye, Aretha Franklin, Jacques Brel, and Edith Piaf, Justine's releases to date have been much admired, both timeless and effortlessly contemporary. Don't miss the chance to witness a unique performance at VLF 2012.

Sing Sing My Darling
This Toulouse four-piece are firm favourites at Melting Vinyl HQ, and their irrepressible yet wonderfully palatable pop-rock is sure to go down a storm at VLF 2012. Many in France and beyond are feting them for 'next big thing' status, and with infectious singles such as 'Disco Love', be sure to get down and check out what all the fuss is about...
myspace.com/singsingmydarling

Transformer Djs French Connection
Brighton's Transformer are the ultimate party outfit. The anglo-french three-piece, who've played alongside Hot Chip, Friendly Fires and many more, will be returning to VLF 2012 for a DJ set to get this party started!
myspace.com/transformertransformer



Between the 26th - 28th January 2012, independent south coast promoters, Melting Vinyl, in association with Bureau Export, welcomes to Brighton an impressive collection of French artists and labels for the fourth annual Vive La France! Festival. Making its home in the bohemian and cosmopolitan North Laine, four venues will provide outlets for an eclectic mix of explosive electro-pop, enchanting chanson, ever popular performances from local French artists under the banner 'French Connection', as well as a hearty dose of French-infused world music, urban, and cinema; all guaranteed to impress both connoisseurs and newcomers to the scene.

We are also delighted to announce that Vive La France! 2012 will be brought to you in association with 5 cultural taste-makers: The Line of Best Fit, French Radio London, Les Inrockuptibles, Plateau & Mange Tout.



Samedi, 28 Janvier

Duke of York's Picturehouse
11pm - 2 am | £7 advance/£8 door
Late Show: Live music performance & film

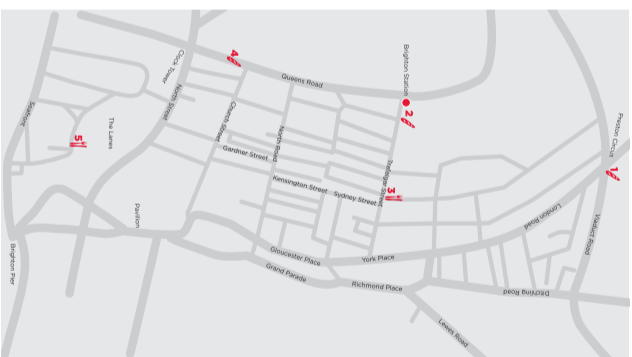
Amelie
Exclusive late night screening
As a finale to the festival, we are delighted to announce an exclusive late night screening of the celebrated French classic, Amelie. Often described as the masterpiece of renowned director Jean-Pierre Jeunet (Delicatessen et al), Amelie is one of the most loved French films of all time, and features an iconic performance from Audrey Tautou as the titular dreamer.
Melanie Pain (Nouvelle Vague)
Live Performance
Inimitable Nouvelle Vague vocalist, Melanie Pain makes her return to Vive La France! with a special late night performance at the Duke Of York's Picturehouse, to transport the audience to the enchanting Parisian setting prior to the screening. This is a unique opportunity to catch Melanie's beautiful folk-chanson compositions in the confines of Britain's oldest purpose-built cinema. A perfect match that you won't want to miss.
melaniepain.com

The Green Door Store
2 - 4.30pm | Gratuit
French music industry discussion

How French Music has been portrayed over the last 20 years
Discussion with JD Beauvillier (Les Inrocks), Francine German (The Line of Best Fit) and Kieron Tyler (MOJO)

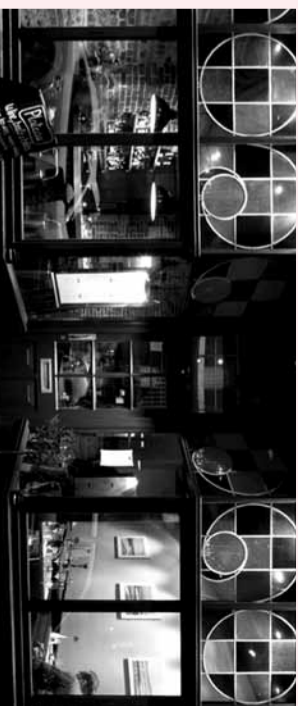
Touring in the French Market
Discussion with Jules Parker (PRS), Nigel Adams (Full Time Hobby), Christophe Quenin (Get Your Acts Together)

Festival Venues



- 1 Duke of York's Picturehouse Preston Circus, BN1 4JVA
 - 2 The Green Door Store Trafalgar Arches, Lower Goods Yard, BN1 4FQ
 - 3 Mange Tout 81 Trafalgar Street, BN1 4EB
 - 4 The Hope 11 Queens Road, BN1 3WA
 - 5 Plateau 1 Bartholomews, Brighton, BN1 1HG
- Plateau and Mange Tout will also be serving food at venues during the festival.*

Afterparties at Plateau - every night of Vive La France!



Brighton's venue for wine, beats and bites
In addition to the music, no showcase of French culture would be complete without a celebration of the Gallic arts of food and wine. Providing the gastronomic infusion to Vive La France! 2012 is independent French bistro, Mange Tout, on Trafalgar Street, specialising in great French cooking and fresh, local, ethical produce. Make sure to visit for the acclaimed eggs Mange Tout at breakfast, the daily lunch specials, or refined French classics for dinner. Serving a range of local beers and hand-picked wines or just a freshly squeezed orange juice with your breakfast, while you listen to the French Radio FIP!

Also presenting the best in Gallic Cuisine will be innovative bar a vin, Plateau, off Bartholomew Square, also home to the festival's intimate after-hours DJ sets. Lovingly selected wines, focusing on organic, biodynamic and natural, accompanied by 'bites' and 'plateaux', are the menu de jour, with resident DJ Etirica on hand to soundtrack your next round of cocktails!

These venues will provide audiences and artists alike with a taste of France to accompany the feast of music on offer.

Jeudi 11pm until late | Gratuit

Francois & The Atlas Mountains DJ
Francois and his band follow up their earlier performance with a DJ set at Plateau, rounding off Thursday's festivities with a selection of their favourite records, taking in the best of Afrobeat and French Pop through the ages.

Vendredi 12 midnight until late | Gratuit
Melanie Pain & Phoebé Killdeer Djs (Nouvelle Vague)
Nouvelle Vague alumni, Melanie Pain & Phoebé Killdeer take to the decks to serve up some of their favourite slices of vintage pop with a sassy french twist, guaranteed to get you moving and introduce you to some little known gems.

Samedi 12 midnight until late | Gratuit
L'Amour Electronique
We wave bon voyage to this year's event in the company of L'Amour Electronique, connoisseurs of all manner of bubbly pop, synthesised sounds and electronic delights from across the channel. Already well known in Brighton for their monthly soires, they'll be making sure that the party goes out with a bang.

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