

## LISTENING TO THE VOICES OF GENERATIONS

The Festival de la Plume is neither a book fair nor a static event.

It is a space for transmission, expression, and awakening, born from a single desire: to bring together children, artists, educators, authors, and citizens around the living power of words, art, and nature. -----



### AN EDUCATIONAL ADVENTURE FOR THE 2025–2026 SCHOOL YEAR

From September 2025 to May 2026, the association Les Enfants de la Jungle is leading a series of activities in neighborhoods, media libraries, rural schools, and specialized institutions:

- School meetings with committed French-speaking authors
- Writing and live reading workshops in classrooms
- Musical, visual, and theatrical creations centered around the Earth and its ecosystem
- Educational partnerships between schools in Normandy and schools in Senegal, Mali, and Benin
- Intergenerational transmission between established artists and emerging young artists




These months of creativity give rise to a co-constructed program, where each participating class, each partner, and each artist become a participant in the festival. -----

## FESTIVAL DE LA PLUME PROGRAM (POSTPONED) – MAY 22 & 23, 2026

Caen Exhibition Center

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 Friday, May 22, 2026 – The voices of children and young people cross borders

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.: Opening ceremony – “The children of the world sing the Earth”

→ Songs shared between students from Calvados, Ornes, Senegal, and Benin

→ Reading of children's texts: “Normandy sings Africa – Africa sings France”

→ Presentation of partner classes

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.: Exhibitions, live workshops, and shared performances

→ Interclass workshops: writing, slam, collaborative painting, local narrative, calligraphy, pottery, theater

→ Performances Youth/Authors, Staged Readings, Tales of the Living

→ Exhibitions of visual creations on the ecosystem and biodiversity, painters, jewelers, feather arts, costumes

→ Exchanges between French and African institutions via video, letters, and objects

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.: Le Monde chante la France – Tribute to Francophone Song

→ Children's Choirs & Guest Artists (Brittany, Canada, Ivory Coast, Benin, Senegal, Congo)

- Musical Readings of Texts from Workshops, Artists, Poets, and Slam
  - Exhibition-Competition: "Canvases of Expression" – Public, Jury, and Student Vote
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☀ Saturday, May 23, 2026 – Talents in the Spotlight

From 9:00 a.m.: Living Exhibition – Creation as a Trace of Learning

- Presentation of School and Community Pathways, Authors, and Artists creatives, theater
- Public readings on the go
- Author/young reader meetings

8:00 p.m.: The Night of Unknown Talents

- Stage show showcasing emerging artists
  - Performances by children, young adults, artists with disabilities or diverse backgrounds
  - Awards ceremony: Star of Transmission, Emerging Voice, Educational Favorite, Pictorial Favorite
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🌀 A FESTIVAL OF CONNECTIONS, EDUCATION, AND MEANING

This festival has grown from a genuine co-construction between artists, educators, students, families, cultural organizations, and international partners. It carries a vision:

- ✓ To make art a tool for inclusion, awareness, and transmission
- ✓ To put children's voices back at the center
- ✓ To bring together perspectives from here and elsewhere on our relationship with the living

🔔 This isn't a fair.

It's a living manifesto for educational culture.

It's the Festival of Writing and Creativity.

👉 Information and applications:

<https://paradisecomposition.fr/festival-de-la-plume>

THIS PROGRAM IS NOT FIRM DUE TO THE RETURN DATE