

National Concours

Canadian Parents for French (CPF) is pleased to announce the names of the five grand-prize winners of the eighth annual edition of the CPF National *Concours d'art oratoire*, which was held at the University of Ottawa on May 29th, 2010.

Concours d'art oratoire, a public-speaking contest held in conjunction with the University of Ottawa for its sixth consecutive year, is a nationwide event with competitors reaching the national level after first winning in the provincial and territorial finals. Grand prize winners in five categories—based on level of proficiency with French—each take home an offer for a \$20,000 scholarship to the University of Ottawa, donated generously by the University itself.

All competitors receive a \$2,000 entrance scholarship, and new this year, the school is offering a \$5,000 scholarship to each of the five second-place winners. This year's competition welcomed 37 high-school students to Canada's capital for the competition and some sightseeing.



(1st place winners)

“*Concours d'art oratoire* is in its eighth year at the national level, and it just gets better every year,” says CPF president David M. Brennick. “The students we’ve seen compete today are wonderfully talented and worked so hard to get here. This competition really demonstrates that students in Canada are driven to succeed linguistically, and it’s exactly why we at CPF support this cause. These students are smart and every one of those 37 teenagers deserves our recognition.”

CPF congratulates the following contest winners:

Core French

- 1st place: Charles Park (Richmond Hill, Ontario)
- 2nd place: Tanisha Gallichon (Gatineau, Quebec)
- 3rd place: Jenny Tan (Coquitlam, British Columbia)

Core Extended

- 1st place: Sarah Hillier (Amherst, Nova Scotia)
- 2nd place: Carly Welham (Gimli, Manitoba)
- 3rd place: Henry Annan (Halifax, Nova Scotia)

Late Immersion

- 1st place: Madeline Dodds (Mississauga, Ontario)
- 2nd place: Chuqiao Wang (Ottawa, Ontario)
- 3rd place: Gerianne Rowe (Carbonear, Newfoundland & Labrador)

Early Immersion

- 1st place: Hilary Ball (Fredericton, New Brunswick)**
- 2nd place: Katrina Leong (Winnipeg, Manitoba)
- 3rd place: Scott Harvey (Pointe-Claire, Quebec)

Francophone

- 1st place: Yann Lacoste (Victoria, British Columbia)
- 2nd place: Alice Brun-Newhook (St. John's, Newfoundland & Labrador)
- 3rd place: Amber O'Reilly (Yellowknife, Northwest Territories)



(Participants from across the country)

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