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Come one and all, and celebrate
Olympic Day 2022!

Sunday 26 June 2022

11h-19h CEST

Free access

Programme

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Held on 23 June each year, all over the world, Olympic Day celebrates the Olympic values and the power of sport to bring us together, get us moving and created shared emotional experiences. With two years to go before the Paris 2024 Games, this year's celebration is bigger than ever! **In 2022, the celebration of Olympic Day will be spread out over several days and will offer numerous sequences, from 22 June to Sunday 26 June, which will take place as part of a large sports festival organised around the Stade de France.**

On Sunday 26 June from 11h to 19h CEST at the foot of the future Olympic venue, on an incredible open-air arena developed specifically for the occasion, children and adults alike can try their hand at over thirty Olympic and Paralympic sports (sitting volleyball, wheelchair basketball, fencing, rowing, climbing, breaking, and many more). The event will be graced by great champions including **Cécilia Berder** (silver medallist in fencing, Tokyo 2020), **Romain Cannone** (Olympic fencing champion, Tokyo 2020), **Camille Lacourt** (5 times world champion swimmer, in the 50m and 100m backstroke), **Anne-Cécile Ciofani** (silver medallist in rugby sevens, Tokyo 2020), **Diandra Tchatchouang** (bronze medallist in basketball, Tokyo 2020), and **Mehdi Marzouki** (Olympic waterpoloist, Rio 2016) or also **Soufyane Mehiaoui** (wheelchair basketball player for France). There will be sporting demonstrations from football freestylers (**Séan Garnier, Soufiane Bencok, Pola Freestyle, Logan Freestyle, Joachim Freestyle**), and cultural events from Hip-hop Games (**Mc Philemon, Dj Tismé, Human Beat Box Mystraw and l'Arbitre-Danseur Romuald**), and local artists from Seine-Saint-Denis.

Run by Paris 2024 in partnerships with the Departement of Seine-Saint-Denis, Plaine Commune, the Cities of Seine-Saint-Denis and the CNOSF, Olympic Day will be a spectacular, open and celebratory event – a tantalising taste of what is to come in the Olympic and Paralympic Games Paris 2024!

Programme for Olympic Day, Sunday 26 June, 11:00-19:00

What's your Olympic or Paralympic sport? At the foot of the Stade de France, numerous free taster sessions will be offered, so that everyone can discover new sports to play and to cheer at the Paris 2024 Games!

- Watersports: rowing, swimming, canoeing/kayaking, sailing, etc.
- Racquet sports: badminton, tennis, table tennis
- Urban sports: 3x3 basketball, BMX (in the presence of **Alex Jumelin, 4-time world champion in flatland BMX and silver medallist at the X Games 2022 in Japan**), skateboard, breaking
- Multisport: athletics (in the presence of **Stella Akakpo, Olympic athlete**), boxing, horse riding, climbing, fencing (in the presence of **Anita Blaze, silver medallist, Tokyo 2020; Cécilia Berder, silver medallist, Tokyo 2020; and Ysaora Thibus, silver medallist, Tokyo 2020**), football, golf, gymnastics, weightlifting, handball, field hockey, judo, wrestling, modern pentathlon, rugby, taekwondo, shooting, archery, triathlon, volleyball, sitting volleyball, wheelchair basketball (through the presence of Soufyane Mehiaoui) and boccia.

Throughout this spectacular day, **French champions will be around to mingle with the public and give a talk to the fans in an “Équipe de France” (Team France) area.** There will be a contest to win an Équipe de France uniform.

See the athletes perform!

- **Breaking battles** organised by the French dancing federation
- **BMX flatland demo by Alex Jumelin**, 4-time world champion
- **Trampoline demonstration by the Fédération Française de Gymnastique**, and **Double Dutch** skipping demonstration by The Ropestylers – an internationally recognised group, classed as one of the best in Europe
- **Fightball with Séan Garnier, the first ever world champion in freestyle**, and demonstrations of freestyle football with Soufiane Bencok, Pola Freestyle, Logan Freestyle and Joachim Freestyle

Vibe with the energy of Seine-Saint-Denis with a **Hip Hop Games Exhibition** bringing together three dancers from Seine-Saint Denis, performing alongside the Troupe Hip Hop Games (Mc Philemon, Dj Tismé, Human Beat Box Mystraw and l'Arbitre-Danseur Romuald).

You are part of Olympic Day too – The general public will be invited to take part in the day's events, through unique experiences alongside athletes and personalities, encouraging everyone to better themselves through sport or through artistic expression

- A women's rap freestyle battle, organised in advance of Olympic Day by La Souterraine and Paris 2024, to stage a demonstration on Olympic Day, 26 June, at the Stade de France > Launching on Instagram on 9 June through @paris2024 and @letsogogo
- Séan Garnier will challenge the audience at Olympic Day to a 'Fightball' competition on the stand of the Fédération Française de Football, alongside the PSG legend Raí.

Paris 2024 Partners play the game - to offer even more activities to the general public,

- Decathlon will set up a multi-sports obstacle course accessible to both children and adults.
- Le Coq Sportif has invited children from the association Fête le Mur de Seine-Saint-Denis (an association for children and young people from the city's priority neighbourhoods) to come and learn about the day's sports alongside several athletes from Team LCS, including Anne-

Cécile Ciofani, elected best female rugby 7s player in the world and silver medallist at Tokyo 2020.

All day, the cultural barge 'Le Barboteur' will be on Canal Saint-Denis, in the vicinity of the Stade de France, offering refreshments for all. Food Trucks will also offer a complete range of food and drink and a DJ MIX will be present to create a festive atmosphere.

After 7pm, the party continues in Paris - at the end of the event, the public will be invited to Paris to take part in various breakdance-themed activities. From 8pm onwards, from the forecourt of the Petit Palais:

- **demonstrations and battles of urban dances** (breaking, hip hop, voguing, etc.)
- graffiti workshops for children
- musical parade on rollerblades between the Petit Palais, the urban art centre Fluctuart and the Philharmonie
- voguing evening at Dock B

All day long, join the Stade de France in groups and with music!

On foot, by bike, by boat or by metro, Parisians and Séquanos Dionysiens are invited to take one of these routes to celebrate Olympic Day at the Stade de France

10.30am: Departure by cruise from the Bassin de la Villette

11:00am: Departure on foot from Pantin Town Hall and Parc de la Villette

11.30am: Departure by River Shuttle from the Decathlon Esplanade in Noisy-le-Sec

11.45am: Departure from the Place des Arts in L'Ile-Saint-Denis to join a river shuttle

12:00 : Departure by transport, in front of the town hall of Epinay-Sur-Seine or in front of the town hall of Villetaneuse

12.40pm: Departure by river shuttle from the 6B in Saint-Denis or by tramway 5 in front of the town hall of Pierrefitte-sur-Seine

1pm: Departure on foot from Parc de la Villette

1pm: Departure by bike/roller/river shuttle from Place des Ecoles in Bobigny

1.20pm: Gather in front of the Saint-Denis market for a collective departure of the procession from Place du 8 mai 1945 at 1.45pm

1.30 pm: Departure on foot from the Parc de la Villette for 4km of musical, sports and cultural activities and second departure of the river shuttle from the 6B in Saint-Denis

2pm: Departure by river shuttle from the Place des Ecoles in Bobigny 2.30pm: Departure by river shuttle from the Place de la Pointe in Pantin

Buses will also be chartered in some cities such as Bagnole, Bondy, Drancy, Noisy Le Grand, Clichy Sous-Bois, Gournay Sur Marne, Livry-Gargan, Neuilly Plaisance...

Olympic Day is also...

Wednesday 22 June

- Introduction to Olympic sports in Paris schools > As part of the "Sport Wednesdays" programme, this day is an opportunity to encourage the practice of sports and knowledge of Olympic disciplines with introductions to Olympic sports via various fun courses. Culture will also be present thanks to meetings with artists and artistic workshops. (The event is not open to the public).
- Jeux des collèges > Organised by UNSS 93 and Seine-Saint-Denis, the Collegiate Games will involve 1,000 secondary-school students, competing in teams, with a range of activities and sporting events going on throughout the day. Running from 09:30 to

17:00 at the Parc départemental de Marville, 51 avenue Robert Salengro, 93120 La Courneuve.

Thursday 23 June

- **2024 metres for peace** > The Comité National Olympique et Sportif Français (CNOSF) is challenging all of France: run, walk, bike or scoot 2024 metres, alone or with friends or family, to share a message of peace. Everyone can post their own challenge on social media, using the hashtags #Defi2024m #JeBougePourLaPaix #JourneeOlympique, and in so doing, help to create a gigantic virtual tree – a symbol of peace. Go to www.journeeolympique.fr to download your bib.
- **600 students for 20.24km** > Nearly 30 schools will take turns over 20.24 kilometres to promote peace by crossing the Paris region.
- **“Terre de Jeux 2024” celebrates Olympism** > Regions which have signed up to the label “Terre de Jeux” and the local chapters of the CNOSF (CROS/CDOS/CTOS) are celebrating Olympic Day at local level. The programme includes sports taster sessions, awareness raising about Olympic values, and the chance to meet the champions. See the full programme on www.journeeolympique.fr.
- **Schoolkids in the athletes’ shoes** > At the initiative of CDOS93, USEP93 and the Département of Seine-Saint-Denis, around 800 schoolchildren from Île-de-France are taking part in a day of discovery and introductions into Olympic sports, at the Parc départemental de Marville. Meet at 10:00 at Parc départemental de Marville, 51 avenue Robert Salengro, 93120 La Courneuve.

Saturday 25 June

- **Saint-Denis Olympique** > Throughout the day, associations will be putting on sporting and cultural activities in public, surrounded by sporting equipment provided by the City of Paris municipal authorities. The equipment will then be installed permanently for the use of local residents.

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