YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US!

La Route du Prince Impérial, Louis Napoléon
21st Anniversary Commemorations

138th: Anniversary of the Anglo-Zulu War
117th: Anniversary of the Anglo-Boer War

Alliance Française, PMB & French Presence in KwaZulu-Natal
24th Anniversary Celebrations

A Cultural Tourism Research Development Project
Thursday 16 March 2017  
Chez Fleur Webb (by invitation)

160th anniversary of the birth of the Prince Impérial, Louis Napoléon
Soirée impériale
Readings from the letters of the Prince Imperial to his mother, the Empress Eugénie while he was in Zululand 1879

Tuesday 21 March 2017  
Sutton Crescent, Morningside, DBN
Francofête
Alliance Française, DBN celebrates our Human Rights & our Francophonie

Wednesday 3 May – Sunday 7 May 2017  
MPTA/ SANBI
55th ART in the PARK!
KZN Botanical Garden - PMB

The Alliance Française, PMB and French Presence in PMB project supports our City-of-Choice’s annual art exposé of the talents of our South African artists ....... echoes of Montmartre! Vive la vie en rose!

Saturday 13 May 2017  
Tatham Art Gallery, PMB

The 6hr epic on the Emperor Napoléon I
Two sessions with a lunch break!
Modern technological updates!
Lunch available in Café Tatham

MAY IS AFRICA MONTH - Come and Commemorate & Celebrate With Us!

14H30 Sunday 21 May 2017  
Lutheran Church, Bester Rd, Hayfields

PAMS
Musique Sacrée

Conductor: Nigel Fish
Organ: Jacques Heyns

A programme of French sacred music including Kyrie by Guillaume Dufay, Ave Maria and Cantique by Gabriel Faure, Offertoire by Cesar Franck, and the St. Cecilia Mass by Charles Gounod - with Soloists Annalie Herbst-van Rooyen (Soprano), Andrew Butler (Bass) and Sandile Mbaso (Tenor)

Tickets: R100.00 include tea/coffee and can be purchased at the door or beforehand at Pink Heather, Quarry Shopping

Wednesday 24 May – Friday 26 May 2017  
DUT Courtyard Theatre, Durban
2017 in South Africa will be a Molière year!

Friday 26 May – Sunday 04 June 2017
165th Royal Agricultural Show

The French Presence supports our annual ROYAL SHOW. Vive l’entente cordiale!
KZN’s Premier Mixed Exhibition.
NB - the Msunduzi/Voortrekker Museum (home of our Prince Imperial exhibition) stand!
Liberté, Égalité, Fraternité! Join the MPTA at their stand to celebrate our country’s constitution!

French is another African Connection!

Sunday 28 May - Sunday 4 June 2017
FRENCH WEEK in Pietermaritzburg, Pomeroy, Dundee, Vryheid, Uqweqwe
Events, partners and venues subject to change and confirmation

Sunday 28 May 12H00
Albert Falls M miniature Railway on
The Midlands Amble

Pique-nique barbecue.
When the Prince Imperial’s mother, the Empress Eugénie, came out on her sorrowful pilgrimage in 1880, to follow in her son’s steps in order to spend the anniversary of his death at the spot where he was killed in Zululand, she & her entourage spent the first night of this journey at Albert Falls.
Exhibition on the Prince Impérial and the « French Presence in KwaZulu-Natal »
PP presentation on « La Route du Prince Impérial, Louis Napoléon » : the Empress Eugénie on pilgrimage

Braai packs R45. Cash Bar
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08H30 Monday 29 May 2017 M sunduzi M useum, PM B

Guided visit of the Prince Imperial exhibition: Grade 12 History learners from Sobantu Secondary School accompanied by Ms Thuli Makhwanazi

Come and explore our Franco-Zulu connection through King Dinuzulu’s 7 year 10 month exile on St Helena; our South African Francophone connections on the African continent and on the Indian ocean Francophone islands!

12h00 Tuesday 30 May 2017 Venue to be decided
Prince Impérial Déjeuner: haute cuisine à la française À la carte at own cost

Dégustation: wine tasting

French-styled wines for your pleasure!
A celebration of the ground-breaking French-styled wines, Empress Eugénie and The Prince Impérial, inspired by the Napoleonic legend and produced by Domaine des Dieux of the Himmel-en-Aarde Valley

Wednesday 31 May 2017 Project Gateway, PM B, OPC

“Allons enfants de la patrie ... .”
13H00 - 14H00
Annual Prince Imperial lunch time concert

Performance:
Impisi Emnyama Zulu Dancers: leader Renetta Khumalo
Sobantu Secondary School Choir: Leader - Mr M thibisi
Sobantu Secondary School Isicathamiya - “The Sobantu Lover Boys”:
Leader - Mr M ngadi
Mbali Ndlele, of Exquniqué, struts her fashion designs with her models!
Chislehurst Academics & Arts

A fitting platform to profile local talent; music of any sort for those talent scouts!

18H30 Wednesday 31 May 2017 Pizzology, Victoria Rd, PM B
Soirée Franco-Italienne to commemorate the Prince Imperial’s father’s (Napoleon III 1808 -1873) participation in the 1831 uprising in the Papal States and his grandfather, Louis (The King of Holland 1778 - 1846), Napoleon Bonaparte’s youngest brother who retired to Italy after the Waterloo débâcle in 1815. As the King of Holland from 1806 -1810, Louis proved an exemplary leader and an admirable exponent of social cohesion; he learnt Dutch, declared himself to be Dutch, obliged his courtiers to speak Dutch, involved himself in a progressive manner educationally, scientifically, economically and socially with his subjects .... much to his brother's displeasure!

Pizzology is a fine Pizzeria in Victoria Rd!

**18H00 for 19H00 Thursday 1 June 2017**

Lutheran Church, Bester Rd, Hayfields

Prince Imperial organ recital

Dr Andrew-John Bethke
Composer, conductor, organist & academic
Former Director of Music at the Grahamstown Cathedral
Former Conductor of the Rhodes University Chamber Choir

**PROGRAMME**

- Transcription of Sinfonia from *Cantata no. 29* (Johann Sebastian Bach)
  Arr. Marcel Dupré (1886 – 1971)

- *Minuet gothique* and *Prière a Notre Dame* from the *Suite Gothique*, Op. 25
  Léon Bœllmann (1862 – 1897)

- Chorale improvisation on “Nun danket alle Gott”, Op. 65, no. 59
  Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877 – 1933)

- *Berceuse* from *24 Pièces en style libre*, Op. 31
  Louis Vierne (1870 – 1937)

- Paraphrase on Judas Maccabeus, Op. 90, no. 16
  Alexandre Guilmant (1837 – 1911)

- Prelude and Fugue in G, BWV 541
  Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 – 1750)

- *Scherzo* from *10 Pièces pour orgue*
  Eugène Gigout (1844 – 1925)

- *Andante* and *Toccata* from *Symphony no. 5*, Op. 42
  Charles Marie Widor (1844 – 1937)
A programme of organ music which celebrates the contribution of French composers to the organ repertoire
Grateful thanks to an anonymous donor who has made the presence and performance by Dr Bethke possible

Refreshments on sale
RETIRING COLLECTION AT THE DOOR

18H00 for 18h30 Friday 2 June 2017
Tatham Art Gallery, PMB

IFAS, the Napoleon Foundation & the Alliance Française, PMB present a concert to celebrate the 21st anniversary of “La Route du Prince Impérial, Louis Napoléon”, to profile Pietermaritzburg musicians and to welcome His Excellency, the Ambassador of France in South Africa, Mr Christophe Farnaud and local dignitaries.

We also congratulate Heather Peel, I/C French at Hilton College on being awarded Les Palmes Académiques, a distinguished award by the French government in recognition of her contribution to the teaching of French.


Award to the best-decorated “21st Anniversary of ‘La Route du Prince Impérial, Louis Napoléon’ ” cake!

In the spirit of entente cordiale and since the Prince Impérial hailed from Italian stock originally (Buonaparte) and since his paternal grandfather, Louis Bonaparte (ex-King Louis of Holland), retired to Livorno, in Italy, we congratulate our Italian colleagues in La Dante Alighieri on the National Day of the Republic of Italy - 2nd June!

A “welcome” glass

CASH BAR available
Artists:

1. Renetta Khumalo leads her Zulu Dance Group, *Impisi Emnyama (The Black Hyena)*

2. Sobantu Secondary School Choir: Leader - Mr Mthibisi

3. Isicathamiya Group: Sobantu Lover Boys: Leader - Mr Mngadi Nokuthula

4. Mbali Ndlele, of Exquniqué, struts her fashion designs with her models!

5. Sandile Mabaso - celebrated opera singer from KwaZulu-Natal KZNPO

   5.1. Mandoline : Gabriel Faure
   5.2. Instant charmant .... en fermant les yeux : Claude Massenet
   5.3. Salut, demeure chaste et pure : Charles Gounod
   5.4. Two African folksongs for Tenor and Piano

6. KZNPO Quartet courtesy of Bongani Tembe - Chief Executive and Artistic Director KwaZulu-Natal Philharmonic Orchestra
   The performance group will be an all-African Female String Quartet

   Violin 1: Ms. Refiloe Olifant
   Violin 2: Ms. Regomoditswe Molosioa
   Viola: Ms. Tshegofatso Mokobe
   Cello: Ms. Sizekile Shuba

7. Chistlehurst Academics & Arts Dance Group: *The Famous French CAN CAN*

   CASH BAR available

   School performers *pique-nique* packets and snacks for invited guests courtesy of the Napoleon Foundation, Paris
   Snacks for Heather Peel’s invited guests, courtesy of the Embassy of France

**09H30 Saturday 3 June 2017**

The Allard House Chapel, PMB

17th annual memorial mass for the Prince Imperial, said in liaison with the requiem mass in the Imperial Chapel, Biarritz, France

*A commemorative ceremony in KZN’s very first Catholic Church (1852)*

Choir: Scola Musicae Sanctae
Choir Leader: Michael Lambert

12H00 Depart for Dundee along La Route du Prince Impérial, Louis Napoléon
14H45 Saturday 3 June 2017  Augustinian Convent, Pomeroy

Tea-time pause with the French Augustinian Sisters

RENAULT, PMB usually lends me a car for the Zululand leg of the Route du Prince Impérial, Louis Napoléon

18H30 Saturday 3 June 2017  Chez Nous B&B

Soirée française  Dinner R 180.00+- per person

Annual French Soirée, organized by Mme Elisabeth Durham, patronne of Chez Nous B&B

Welcome: Mme Elisabeth Durham

Project Comment: PP presentation to celebrate the 21st anniversary of “La Route du Prince Impérial, Louis Napoléon”: Glenn Flanagan

Recommended accommodation:

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PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIMES

08H00 4 June 2017  Prince Imperial Monument, uQweqwe & eMaphayipini, Umvunyane area

Visit to Jojosini Primary School and inspection of ANTALIS/PANTEIX rain tanks & library

008H45  Prince Imperial monument
Viewing of the Nguni cow donated by the H.E. the Ambassador of France, Mr Christophe Farnaud, to the Uqweqwe community

09H00  Start of ceremonies
21st annual commemorative ceremonies for the 138th anniversary of the death of the Prince Imperial, Louis Napoleon

**Laying of wreathes kindly sponsored by the Embassy of France in South Africa**

Prince Imperial: Guest-of-Honour, His Excellency the Ambassador of France, M. Christophe Farnaud  
Trooper Abel: inKosi M dlalose  
Trooper Rogers: inDuna M batha  
The Zulu Guide: M me Buyi M tshali & M me Gugu Buthelezi

Address: The Guest-of-Honour, His Excellency the Ambassador of France, M. Christophe Farnaud

10H00  
Departure of the Guest-of-Honour His Excellency the Ambassador of France, M r Christophe Farnaud

Performances by community groups

Sports Events organized by Nathi Sibisi, Busizwe Foundation and former learner of Uqweqwe Secondary School

La Route du Prince Impérial, Louis Napoléon was launched on 01 June 1996, by the, then, Chairperson of the Battlefields’ Route Association, Ray Heron, and M me Jenny Bustin, President of the French Teachers’ Association of KwaZulu-Natal.

The uQweqwe community that lives next to the Prince Imperial monument, has benefited substantially from this cultural tourism research development project since April 1995. A detailed account is available from the project leader. From 2011 this community outreach programme was extended to the eMaphayipini community, next to the Prince’s monument, and to the following communities close to Pietermaritzburg:

1. the Zamimpilo Drop In Centre and Crèche  
2. the France community  
3. the Eastwood Secondary School, the Eastwood Library and their community  
4. the Grange Primary School  
5. the Sobantu Secondary School and its community

**LOOKING AHEAD! HERITAGE MONTH**

Monday 4 September 2017

21st anniversary celebrations of “La Route du Prince Impérial, Louis Napoléon” continue at the Chistlehurst Academics and Arts: soirée “crêpes et danse”!
October 2017

This event normally scheduled in FRENCH WEEK has been re-scheduled to King Dinuzuluka Cetshwayo month in October in this 21st anniversary year of “La Route du Prince Impérial, Louis Napoléon”

Project Gateway, PMB

The Old Prison commemorates the Liberation Heritage Route / Freedom Route (Liberté, Égalité, Fraternité) and its French and St Helena connections through His Majesty, King Dinuzulu and the 25 Zulu chiefs sent to do hard labour on St Helena.

King Dinuzulu ka Cetshwayo and his uncles, the Princes Ndabuko ka Mapande and Shingana ka M pondle were exiled to St Helena from 25 February 1890 to 24 December 1897. On 11 June 1907, 25 Zulu chiefs condemned for their role in the Uprising (Bambatha Rebellion) arrived to do hard labour on St Helena.

Presentations:

1. The Spirit of King Dinuzulu ka Cetshwayo prevails!
   Our Liberation Heritage Route was nurtured on St Helena, that multi-cultural (French, Zulu, Boer+) island of exile in the Southern Atlantic Ocean. Harriet Colenso helped King Dinuzulu in his struggle against imperial forces

   Pastor Jabu Mnculwane – CEO, Project Gateway

2. The patriotic fervor of the Prince Imperial was nurtured through the legend of his great-uncle, Napoleon I, who died on St Helena.

   Glenn Flanagan – project leader

We also commemorate our Franco-Indian connection through Mahatma and Kasturba Gandhi Our local Gandhi Society invited to celebrate this partnership in heritage tourism. Our Alliance Française, PMB has been, and will be again, in contact with the Alliance Française in Pondicherry!

The Old Prison complex has had a state-of-the-art museum upgrade!

La Route du Prince Impérial, Louis Napoléon taken internationally, would take us from France via Corsica, Switzerland, Italy, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, England, to South Africa. Although the Prince had dearly wanted to pay his respects to the memory of one of his heroes, his great-uncle the Emperor Napoleon I, who had lived in exile and had died on St Helena, the SS Danube did not call in on St Helena on its passage to Cape Town.
Glenn Flanagan
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