







Events – MLTA ACT – 2024

Events are listed in date order with most recent events at the end of the document.






Date and venue	Event
2024	
January 2024	
Tuesday 30 January 2024	First day of Term 1 in 2024
15-19 January 2024 Macarthur Anglican School, Cobbitty, Sydney	CI DOWN UNDER 5th CI Language Teachers' Conference Unlocking the power of comprehension-based language teaching Registration is via TryBooking .
February 2024	
16-18 February 2024 Civic Square, Glebe Park, Garema Place, Petrie Plaza, Ainslie Place, Akuna Street, Bunda Street	National Multicultural Festival – (NMF) 2024.  See NMF Program for more details. For information about languages at the NMF, see the latest Canberra Region Languages Forum update .
Thursday 22 February 2024 4:30 pm to 6 pm No. 10 Restaurant and Bar Abode Belconnen, 3 Graziers Lane, Belconnen	MLTA ACT Meet and Greet 2024  Canapés will be provided and attendees may purchase drinks at their own cost. We will be presenting the Fiona Arthur Language Teaching Award during our get together. Please register using this RSVP link by COB Friday 16 February
Sunday 25 February 2024 10 am to 12:30 pm	Mother Language Walk 2024  Celebrating Australia's diversity of languages and cultures. UN International Mother Language Day in 2024 is on 21 February. International Mother Language Day was first proclaimed by UNESCO and later adopted by the UN General Assembly. For more information about the UN observances, see the United Nations Mother Language page . For details about the 2024 Canberra Mother Language Walk on 25 February, see the IMLM Canberra poster .
March 2024	
Thursday 21 March 2024 4:30 pm; light refreshments from 4 pm Campbell High School	MLTA ACT AGM 2024  Please come along to learn more about the behind the scenes work and consider joining the Committee to support our vibrant association!

	<p>You can either send the nomination form beforehand, or fill in a form at the meeting. If you would like to nominate yourself or a colleague and you are unable to attend, please send in a proxy vote form. For the schedule, see the AGM agenda.</p>
<p>Monday 25 March 2024, 6 pm Online via MS Teams</p>	<p>Online information evening about CIT Solutions CML senior secondary language programs for students wishing to commence in Q2 of 2024 (second half of Semester 1).</p>  <p>Programs are offered in French, German, Japanese, Korean, Spanish and Tamil.</p> <p>Information and advice on learning languages in Years 11-12.</p> <p>Receiving credit for your languages studies towards the ACT Senior Secondary Certificate and towards the ATAR.</p> <p>How the programs are set up.</p> <p>How to find current information through online systems about programs throughout the year.</p> <p>What you need to do if you are planning to commence with CML in Q2.</p> <p>Q2 at CML will commence in Week 10 of Term 1 (two weeks before the term break and four weeks before commencement of Term 2), to ensure there are sufficient teaching weeks to meet requirements for the Q2 half unit.</p> <p>To register and to receive a link for the information session, please email CitsolLanguages@cit.edu.au.</p>
<p>Tuesday 26 March 2024 9 am to 1 pm Trinity Christian School 34 McBryde Cres, Wanniasa</p>	<p>Comprehensible Input Strategies for Language Teaching to boost student engagement and language acquisition</p> <p>In this 4-hour session, including a 30-minute break, you'll dive into comprehensible input methodologies like TPRS, TPR, and Picture Talk. Led by Bu Cathy Elliott and Mei Turnip.</p> <p>Fee: \$50. Morning tea is provided; however BYO lunch. RSVP by 23rd March via Trybooking.</p>
<p>April 2024</p>	
<p>Monday 29 April 2024, 7 to 9 pm Smith's Alternative, 76 Alinga St, Canberra City</p>	<p>Mother Tongue - Multilingual poetry Open mic</p>  <p>For more information, see the Mother Tongue Multilingual Poetry page on Facebook.</p>
<p>May 2024</p>	
<p>Saturday 11 May 2024 11 am to 1 pm</p>	<p>Community Language Schools Association (CLSA) Open Day</p>


<p>Albert Hall</p>	<p>The theme this year is Art and Culture: A key to Social Cohesion. After the official opening at 11am, student performances will include traditional dancing, singing and reading in their heritage languages. There will also be 25 to 30 Stalls showcasing community language schools' teaching resources and traditional handicrafts PLUS some cultural food to share. At 1 pm, there will be a roundtable for community language teachers. Discussion will focus on classroom and venue hire, including rent and other requirements.</p> 
<p>June 2024</p>	
<p>Saturday 1 June 2024 Snow Centre, CGS 8:30 am to 12:30 pm 8:00 am arrival and registration</p>	<p>Half-day workshop to include an online presentation on comprehensible input by Dr Liam Printer (Lausanne, Switzerland). Other sessions in the mini conference will include reports from members who have attended professional learning events.</p>  <p>Light refreshments included. For more details, see the flier here.</p> <p>This event is TQI accredited.</p> <p>Fee: \$60 members, \$120 non-members.</p> <p>To register and pay: Trybooking link by COB Tuesday 28 May.</p> 
<p>Friday 28 June 2024</p>	<p>Articles due for MLTA CONTACT Newsletter – extended deadline. Please email to Myriam Davies. For details, please see the broadcast email of 5 June from MLTA ACT.</p> 
<p>July 2024</p>	
<p>Tuesday 2 July 2024 4 to 6 pm Location tba</p>	<p>Canberra German Language Roundtable</p> <p>Runder Tisch der deutschen Sprache - ACT.</p> <p>Registration via Eventbrite.</p> 
<p>Saturday 6 July 2024 to Tuesday 9 July 2024 Owen G Glenn Building, Auckland, New Zealand</p>	<p>FIPLV World Congress in 2024</p> <p>FIPLV is the international association of teachers of languages.</p> <p>See the conference website for conference details.</p> 

	See the conference registration page for registration details including early registration with significant discounts.
Saturday 13 July 2024 11 am to 2 pm Alliance Française de Canberra	Bastille Day celebration Book your tickets here via the AF Canberra website . 
Friday 26 July 2024, 5 pm Via Google form	Applications due for the MLTA ACT Scholarship. See the broadcast email sent to members on 20 June. This scholarship, originally known as the FIPLV Congress 1988 Scholarship, was established after the success of the 1988 FIPLV World Congress on language learning hosted by the MLTA ACT Inc. For details, please refer to the MLTA ACT Scholarship 2024 flier Please submit applications via this Google form . 
Saturday 29 July 2024, 7 pm to 9 pm Smith's Alternative	A Mother Tongue event with Mimi Zhang as feature presenter. Born in Guangzhou, Mimi has lived in Canberra since 1988. A teacher, community interpreter, singer and local entrepreneur, Mimi has been writing short stories and memoirs for over 20 years. She will present poems in Mandarin and Cantonese from 'Window' and some more recent work. For more information, see the Mother Tongue Multilingual Poetry page on Facebook . 
August 2024	
Thursday 8 August 2024 3:30 to 5:30 pm (formal meeting commences 4 pm) Alliance Française, 66 McCaughey Street, Turner	French network meeting Meet the new AF Director, Nabila Mazouzi who will outline some of her plans to us. For more details, see Lena's email to French Network members.
Saturday 31 August 2024 Via email	Concours culinaire pour les apprenants de français. Date limite: 31 août 2024; annonce des résultats: 31 octobre 2024 par email. For details, see the CAP-FIPF flier .
September 2024	
Wednesday 4 September 2024 6 pm to 8 pm Online	Using AI to transform the French classroom: practical applications for teachers – a 2 hour online PL session with MLTA ACT French Section, facilitated by Joe Dale. Please use this Trybooking link to register for the session.

	<p>This session will empower you with practical skills for integrating AI tools into your French language teaching. For more details, see the Joe Dale PL flier.</p>
<p>Wednesday 18 September 2024 4 pm to 6 pm Telopea Park School</p>	<p>Le Malade Imaginaire (Molière) Please use this google form to register your interest in attending. For more details, see the flier.</p>
<p>19 September 2024 RSSS building, 146 Ellery Crescent, ANU campus</p>	<p>Raising children in more than one language. Discussion will be led by a multilingual panel of parents, young adults who have grown up bilingually, and educators and academics involved in bilingual education. Participation is free, but registration is required. See the event flier for more details. Registrations and more information (including map) at the ANU Immersia 2024 page and also ACTBEA website and Facebook page.</p>
<p>Monday 23 September 2024 4 pm to 6 pm Via email</p>	<p>National recognition for outstanding teachers of French in Australia nominations due. Please email applications to fatfapresident@gmail.com. For details, see the FATFA call for nominations.</p>
<p>Monday 23 September 2024 6 pm to 7 pm MS Teams online meeting</p>	<p>CIT Solutions CML Information Session about senior secondary languages programs MS Teams, Meeting ID: 436 763 631 955, Passcode: 9fcrJ5. For more details, see the CIT Solutions flier.</p>
<p>October 2024</p>	
<p>Thursday 17 October 2024 Three fortnightly meetings from this date 5 pm to 6 pm Alliance Française</p>	<p>French conversation group Please let Lena know if you are coming. For details, see Lena's email.</p>
<p>Tuesday 22 October 2024 1 pm to 4 pm National Film and Sound Archives</p>	<p>German-Australian Science & Innovation Day Two panel discussions will give stage time to the next generation of academic leaders, each a critical and inspirational discussion with the following research topics: Technological advancement and disease management Bilingualism: The importance of the German language and culture. To register, visit the Canberra German Week Science and Innovation Day page. For more information about Canberra German Week, visit the CGW website.</p>

<p>Saturday 26 October 2024 4 pm to 9 pm Canberra Nara Peace Park, Lennox Gardens, Yarralumla</p>	<p>Canberra Nara Candle Festival</p> <p>For more information, visit the Canberra Nara events page.</p> 
<p>Monday 28 October 2024, 7 pm to 9 pm Smith's Alternative</p>	<p>Mother Tongue Multilingual Poetry Open Mic</p> <p>A Mother Tongue event with Ivy Rahman and Vesna Cvjeticanin as feature presenters. Ivy is a writer, poet and social worker who was born and educated in Bangladesh and has lived in Canberra for over 3 decades. She has published several books in Bengali and one in English: 'Heart on Fire'. Ivy will be sharing some of her poetry in the Bengali language. Vesna's first poetry book was released in Serbia a few weeks ago. Vesna, a poet, blogger, story-teller and radio producer, who writes in both Serbian and English, has been a long-term active contributor to MTMLP programs and events.</p>  <p>For more information, see the Mother Tongue Multilingual Poetry page on Facebook.</p>
<p>Thursday 31 October 2024, 5 pm Via Google form</p>	<p>Applications due for the MLTA ACT Scholarship Semester 2.</p> <p>See the broadcast email sent to members on 8 October. This scholarship, originally known as the FIPLV Congress 1988 Scholarship, was established after the success of the 1988 FIPLV World Congress on language learning hosted by the MLTA ACT Inc.</p>  <p>For details, please refer to the MLTA ACT Scholarship 2024 flier</p> <p>Please submit applications via this Google form.</p>
<p>November 2024</p>	
<p>Saturday 2 November 2024 Online 2 pm to 4 pm</p>	<p>Reciprocal Multilingual Learning with EAL/D students.</p> <p>This ATESOL workshop will be presented by Mei French, educational linguist, University of South Australia. For more details, see the flier here.</p>  <p>Cost: \$20 for ATESOL ACT and interstate TESOL Association ACTA members; \$40 non-members.</p> <p>Please register via this Trybooking link.</p>
<p>Friday 8 November 2024 Ainslie Football Club, 52 Wakefield Ave, Ainslie 5 pm to 6 pm (followed by dinner if you wish)</p>	<p>MLTA-ACT 2024 TeachMeet.</p> <p>We invite you to give 5-minute presentations on a topic of your choice. It could be language specific, hints and tips, resources, feedback on PL you have attended, wellbeing or</p> 

	<p>cultural events. We will also be announcing PL and event plans for 2025. For more details, see the flier here.</p> <p>The TeachMeet is free for our members but please register so that we have the appropriate sized room. Also, please indicate if you would like to stay on after the TeachMeet for dinner at the club.</p> <p>Please register via Trybooking: Trybooking link for TeachMeet.</p>
Thursday 28 November 2024	Journée internationale des professeurs de français.
Friday 29 November 2024 From 5:30 pm Alliance Française	French Teachers' Day More details to come.
Friday 29 November 2024, COB Via Google form	<p>Nominations due for the Fiona Arthur Award.</p> <p>See the broadcast email sent to members on 1 November.</p> <p>or the information posted to the News page on MLTA website.</p> <p>Please submit nominations via this Google form.</p> 
December 2024	
Thursday 5 December 2024 7 pm online	<p>MLTA ACT French Section Planning Meeting. For details, contact Myriam Davies.</p> 
Friday 6 December 2024	<p>Articles due for MLTA CONTACT Newsletter, Semester 2 edition. Please email to Myriam Davies. For details, please see the broadcast email of 17 October from MLTA ACT.</p> 
Friday 13 December 2024 From 6:30 pm Alliance Française de Canberra 66 McCaughey Street, Turner ACT 2612	<p>AF Canberra Christmas Party</p> <p>Members: \$45; Non-members: \$50</p> <p>Book your tickets here via the AF Canberra website.</p> 
Saturday 14 December 2024 11 am to 2 pm Das Zentrum, Griffin Centre, 20 Genge Street	<p>Bring a plate to share or get a coffee at On Lake Cafe before joining members, family and friends for our end of the year celebration down by Lake Burley Griffin.</p> <p>See Das Zentrum website for details.</p> 
Saturday 14 December 2024 12:30 pm Les Bistronomes	 <p>French Teachers' Lunch at Les Bistronomes.</p> <p>See Lena's email for details.</p>

<p>Sunday 15 December 2024 2 pm to 5 pm Hungarian Gate, Bowen Drive, Kingston</p>	<p>Das Zentrum End of Year Picnic in the Park</p> <p>Our borrowing bonanza is back! Before we close for the Summer break come and borrow to your heart's content for your holiday reading pile!</p>  <p>See Das Zentrum website for details.</p>
<p>Tuesday 17 December 2024</p>	<p>Last day of Term 4 in 2024</p>