



## FACC Philadelphia Newsletter - L'EDITION November 2018

### REGISTER NOW FOR OUR LAST EVENT OF THE YEAR:

[11/15 Savor Wine Festival](#) Celebrating the Arrival of the 2018 Beaujolais Nouveau & Wines of the World with French-inspired Cuisine from *Top Chef's* Sylva Sénat

[Savor Sponsorships are Still Available!](#)

### PAST FACC EVENTS:

View Photos & Read Recap from the 10/17 *Resiliency to Preserve Art & Culture: The Paris Agreement & How Museums Are Preparing for Climate Risk*

View Photos & Read Recap from the 10/23 *How to Survive and Thrive in the Changing Times: Leap Hurdles and Grow Your Business*

### FACC MEMBER NEWS:

Welcome to Our New FACC Members

FACC Corporate Members: Have Your Member Profile or Press Release Featured in Our Next Newsletter

Host a French or European Intern/Trainee/VIE with a J-1 Visa at Your Company

### EMPLOYMENT:

Employment Opportunities, Active FACC Individual Member Job Seekers & Career Benefits of FACC Membership

### NATIONAL NEWS:

EU & US-Partners in Shaping World Order: Q&A with French Ambassador Gérard Araud

Mike Bloomberg Names Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Boston and Washington, DC as Winners in Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge

### OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS:

11/13-18 The 38th Gershan Philadelphia Jewish Film Festival

***SCROLL DOWN to read more!***

## REGISTER NOW FOR OUR LAST EVENT OF THE YEAR:

The 28th Annual  
**Savor Wine Festival**  
*Celebrating the Arrival of the 2018 Beaujolais Nouveau  
&  
Wines of the World*



**Thursday, November 15th, 2018**  
**6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

*in partnership with*



**PYRAMID CLUB**  
PHILADELPHIA

*A Member of the ClubCorp Family*

**1735 Market Street, 52nd Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103**

**Register Now: Space is limited. Don't delay, event will sell out!**

**\$85/person Non-Members**

**\$65/person FACC Members & the guests they register**

**Young Professionals (age 21 - 35)**

**\$55/person Young Professional Non-members**

**\$40/person Young Professional FACC Members**

***Register Now!***

**Enjoy Wonderful Wines from These Prestigious  
Purveyors**



Moët Hennessy USA



## Merci Infiniment to

Executive Chef Sylva Sénat of *Top Chef* fame for

A Delicious French-Inspired Buffet of Hors d'oeuvres & Desserts

## Fabulous French Cheese Courtesy



CHEESE USA

## Much Appreciation to Our Early Bird Sponsors

- more to follow -



***For Exciting Sponsorship Opportunities, Starting at \$500, Click Here!***

Exciting Sponsorship Opportunities, starting at just \$500, are available to entertain your best clients and prospects, celebrate your team before the busy holiday season, and raise your profile as a leader in our French-American business community!

## Many Thanks to Our Prize Donors



*Two 5.5lb Bags of Belgian Callebaut Semisweet Gourmet Chocolate*



**Savor Wine Purveyors**  
*Basket of Cheer*

## PAST FACC EVENTS:

*Past Event: 10/17/2017*

***Resiliency to Preserve Art and Culture:  
The Paris Agreement &  
How Museums Are Preparing for Climate Risk***



[\*Click Here for Event Photos & Recap!\*](#)

---

*Past Event: 10/23/2017*

***How to Survive & Thrive in the Changing Times:  
Leap Hurdles and Grow Your Business***



[Click Here for Event Photos & Recap!](#)

## FACC MEMBER NEWS:

***Welcome New FACC Members!***

***Associate Corporate***

**CMR Group**

**J'aime French Bakery**

***Young Professional***

**François Duris**



## **ATTENTION FACC Corporate Members:**

**Contact Us Now to Have Your Company Profile Article or Press Release Featured in an Upcoming FACC Newsletter!**

FACC Corporate Members are entitled to have a Member Profile Article or Press Release featured in our e-newsletter, circulation 2500 local business leaders, including 350 FACC Members.

To participate please email your corporate logo, a photo, your complete contact information, and text of up to 500 words, or your Press Release to [info@faccphila.org](mailto:info@faccphila.org).

To view previous Member Profile Articles, visit <https://www.faccphila.org/newsletter>



## **Host a French or European Intern/Trainee/VIE with a J-1 Visa at Your Company**

### ***Looking for Young Talent to Help you Develop Your Business in the US and throughout Europe?***

The French-American Chamber of Commerce is a **U.S. Department of State designated J-1 visa sponsor** and is proud to have sponsored qualified candidates for international exchange for over 45 years. The J-1 visa program encourages cultural exchange by allowing exchange visitors to come to the United States for up to **12 months as Interns** or for up to **18 months as Trainees** to participate in **full-time, paid, practical training programs at eligible FACC member companies** (minimum 3 American employees, two of whom may be Green Card holders, other restrictions apply). These programs are extremely rewarding and beneficial for both the candidate and the host company, and serve to foster diplomatic ties between the U.S., France, and the world.

The VIE Program (Volontariat International en Entreprises) is the Human Resources solution to support your international expansion with young European talent. The V.I.E, known in the US as the *French International Postgraduate Internship Program*, was established to promote the international development of French companies while at the same time offering French graduates and young professionals an opportunity to benefit from a formative experience abroad.

**Visit the [International Career Development Program \(ICDP\) webpages](#) of our network partner, FACC NY, or contact [info@FACCphila.org](mailto:info@FACCphila.org) for more info.**

## **EMPLOYMENT / CAREER:**

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES with FACC Corporate Members:**

**No phone calls/drop-ins accepted. Please carefully follow the instructions to apply.**

#### **SE-090418 - WELCOMING CENTER - Administrative Support Specialist**

The Administrative Support Specialist represents the Welcoming Center as the first point person to introduce potential participants to the array of programs and opportunities available at the Welcoming Center. Able to discern visitor and caller needs and to provide accurate information or referral to internal staff or programs. Responsible for handling front-office reception and creating a welcoming environment for all participants and guests. Administrative duties include supporting operations, finance, and program delivery, including volunteers.

#### **SE-092018 - WELCOMING CENTER - Small Business Advisor**

The Small Business Advisor is a member of the team that comprises the business development function within the Welcoming Center. This is a full-time position. This position reports to the Director of Business Development. The Small Business Advisor performs a variety of financial and business management functions which include advising businesses, providing technical assistance and training to developing and existing businesses. The position also provides support to entrepreneurs in accessing a variety of resources available in Philadelphia and beyond. This position also manages communication, outreach and client recruitment and coordinates partnerships with Welcoming Center stakeholders.



## **FACC Individual Members - Active Job Seekers:**

### **JS - 090418 Financial Accountant or Financial Analyst**

Financial professional with 8 years' experience in global external audit, working in both the UK and France. Proficient in auditing UK listed, IFRS, US/UK/Canadian and French GAAP companies, with strong expertise in understanding and review of analytical variations within the business. Looking for a role as a financial accountant or financial analyst in a dynamic company.

For more information about this candidate, please send an email to [info@faccphila.org](mailto:info@faccphila.org) and reference **JS - 090418** in the Subject Line. Please include your job description and instructions for applying for the position.

## **Free Career Benefits of FACC Membership:**

**FACC Corporate Members**, who would like to **post an employment opportunity** in our monthly e-newsletter, *L'Edition* (circulation 2500 local business leaders), and on our website, may email the job description with instructions for applying for the position to: [info@faccphila.org](mailto:info@faccphila.org).

If you prefer to remain anonymous, we will assign a Job Opportunity (JO) number and include a general description and location to keep your company's name and address private. Please contact us when the position is filled so that we may remove it from this newsletter and our website.

**FACC Individual Members**, who are active job seekers, may **email a brief Summary of Qualifications** paragraph, a general cover letter and resume to: [info@faccphila.org](mailto:info@faccphila.org). The *Summary of Qualifications* will be posted in this newsletter and on our website with a Job Seeker (JS) number to protect your anonymity, unless you specifically request to have your name appear and resume posted. Should we be contacted by a company interested in your profile, we will forward the job description and the instructions to apply for the position directly to you.

## **Not Yet an FACC Member?**

**JOIN THE FACC!**

## **NATIONAL NEWS:**

### **EU & US—Partners in Shaping World Order Q&A with Gérard Araud, Ambassador of France**

*Interview by Michele Bendall, Editor of Delegation of the European Union to the US Article published on MEDIUM.COM on July 14, 2018*



**Gérard Araud | Age: 65 | Hometown: Marseille, France  
Ambassador to the U.S. since September 2014**

***Tell me a little bit about your family and personal background.***

I was born in Marseille on the Mediterranean Coast, which means that I am a southerner. My family was a very middle class family. In French we say, "I'm not the son of the archbishop," which means I'm not from the upper classes, I'm not from a diplomatic family. I am, as we say also in France, "I am the son of my deeds."

***How did you become interested in an international career?***

I am a history buff. I love history and have been studying history since my early youth, as long as I can remember. My parents decided which studies I was supposed to follow—in my generation the parents were in charge. They decided I needed to attend a school of engineering because it was the most prestigious curriculum at the time. I was convinced that I did not want to become an engineer, so I switched to political science.

***What was your path to the French foreign service?***

In the French system you enter a special school which prepares you for French administration. From there, you can choose to go to the treasury, the budget office, the social ministries, or the foreign service. And I chose the foreign service.

***Your foreign service career has spanned 40 years. What was your most memorable posting that shaped you in some way?***

I have served twice in Israel and in human terms, this certainly had a strong influence on my vision of the world. It was the late '70s, early '80s—I was young and Israel was my first diplomatic posting. It was there that I discovered the reality of what the genocide meant, beyond the history books. It was a profound experience for me. You realize how much evil is part of human nature. I discovered another side of life, which is how much of foreign policy is basically to handle tragedies. Looking at the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, it is a real tragedy, in the Greek sense of the word, in which two groups of people are trapped in an endless conflict. It didn't make me particularly optimistic about human nature and about foreign policy.

***What do you think is the most important quality that a diplomat needs to be successful?***

Empathy. I think it's very important when you are in a country or simply when you are looking at a negotiation or conflict, using a French expression, you have to put yourself in the shoes of the other side.

You should, first of all, forget the idea of saying someone is right or wrong because in a conflict both sides believe they are right, so it's totally useless to talk in terms of right or wrong. You have to look at the conflict from the other



side to understand why there is a conflict or to understand also where there could be a possible compromise.

[Read More](#)

---

## **Mike Bloomberg Names Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Boston and Washington, DC as Winners in Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge**

*Four cities are among 20 total that will be awarded resources and technical support to help them achieve their ambitious climate goals*

On October 21st, UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy for Climate Action and former New York City Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg joined Pittsburgh Mayor William Peduto in West End Overlook Park to announce Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Boston, and Washington D.C. as the next round of winning cities for the Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge. These four cities join six other cities – Atlanta, Los Angeles, Portland, San Diego, San Jose and Seattle – as the first half of the total twenty cities that will be named winners of the Climate Challenge.

The Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge is a \$70 million-dollar program that will accelerate these 20 cities' efforts to tackle climate change and promote a sustainable future for residents. Through the Climate Challenge – which is part of Bloomberg's American Cities Initiative – Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Boston, and Washington D.C. are accepted into a two-year acceleration program that will provide cities powerful new resources and access to cutting-edge support to help meet or beat their near-term carbon reduction goals.

[Read More](#)

### **OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS:**



**The 38<sup>th</sup> Gershman Philadelphia Jewish Film Festival**  
**November 3-18, 2018**

**SIMON ET THÉODORE**  
Thursday, November 8  
2 PM at Gershman Y



Simon (Félix Moati), a twenty-something soon-to-be father, wants nothing more than to raise a child with his rabbi wife, Rivka (Mélanie Bernier). However, on account of Simon's history with mental illness, Rivka is unconvinced that he's ready to take on the additional stress afforded by parenthood. A sweet but deeply volatile man, Simon feels out of control when experiencing intense distress and acts out by running into walls and hurting himself.

Meanwhile, 13-year-old Théodore (Nils Othenin-Girard), one of Rivka's most challenging students, wants nothing more than to have a real father figure in his life. He takes out his aggression towards his absentee, deadbeat dad on everything and everyone in sight. He even goes as far as abandoning his own Bar Mitzvah. Simon, desperate to prove himself to Rivka, sees potential in Théodore. If he can find a way to retrieve the boy and reform him, perhaps Rivka would realize that he is worthy of being a parent to their own child.

**Trailer:** <https://youtu.be/1EnrLiLgL3A>

**Learn More:** <http://pjff.org/simon-theodore/>

**Purchase Tickets:** <https://bit.ly/2pXzM4R>

---

## LA PROMESSE DE L'AUBE (PROMISE AT DAWN)

*Closing Night Film*

Saturday, November 17

7:30 PM @ Gershman Y



Nominated for four César Awards, **PROMISE AT DAWN** is as much an epic autobiographical account of the extraordinary life of renowned writer and war hero, Romain Gary (Pierre Niney, *Yves Saint Laurent*), as it is a heartfelt testament to the special bond shared between a mother and son. From Romain's difficult childhood in Poland to his enlistment in the French Air Force, his mother, Nina (Charlotte Gainsbourg, *Melancholia*), remains an eternal source of love and guidance. While her frequent declarations of her son's future fame and glory makes both of them a source of ridicule at times, her passion and high expectations for Romain push him to become one of France's greatest 20th century novelists and live his life replete with passion, adventure, and mystery.

From the picturesque paradise of pre-war French Riviera to the sunbaked sand dunes of the Maghreb, **PROMISE AT DAWN**'s shimmery gold-tinted palette evokes the old Hollywood grandeur of yesteryear.

**Trailer:** <https://youtu.be/RunIyr6MDpg>  
**Learn More:** <http://pjff.org/promise-at-dawn/>  
**Purchase Tickets:** <https://bit.ly/2RLy2bd>

For the complete film schedule, visit <https://pjff.org/gpjff38-season/>

## FACC's MISSION

The French-American Chamber of Commerce (FACC-Philadelphia) is an independent bi-national, non-profit membership organization.

Our mission is to foster a thriving economic relationship between the United States and France and to welcome and support French businesses, entrepreneurs, and professionals in Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Southern New Jersey.

FACC Philadelphia  
[www.FACCphila.org](http://www.FACCphila.org) | [info@FACCphila.org](mailto:info@FACCphila.org) | +1 215-716-1996

## STAY CONNECTED



***Interested in Meeting French and  
Globally-minded American Business Professionals?***

**JOIN THE FACC!**

French-American Chamber of Commerce | 1617 JFK Blvd. Ste. 555, [Philadelphia, PA 19103](#)

[Unsubscribe {recipient's email}](#)

[Update Profile](#) | [About our service provider](#)

Sent by [info@faccphila.org](mailto:info@faccphila.org) in collaboration with