

# San Francisco Bay Area Debuts End-of-Year Festivities with a Royal Celebration at Versailles

*Alliance Française Silicon Valley Hosts an Exclusive Virtual Experience from the Palace of Versailles*

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[EINPresswire.com/](https://EINPresswire.com/) -- [Alliance Française Silicon Valley](#) (AFSV), with the support of the Consulate General of France in San Francisco, invites Bay Area residents to end the year in royal style with an exclusive live-streamed experience from the iconic [Palace of Versailles](#). This extraordinary event will take place on December 8, 2024, at the Mitchell Park Community Center in Palo Alto, promising attendees a captivating journey into the grandeur and opulence of Versailles.

This marks the third installment of the Live Morning at a French Museum: Versailles series. In this edition, guests will be immersed in the extravagant celebrations and entertainment at France's most famous castle. It offers a unique opportunity for participants to experience the world of the Ancien Régime in the heart of Silicon Valley. Building on the success of previous virtual explorations, which showcased the Royal Apartments and Marie Antoinette's private chambers, AFSV is excited to bring this grand finale to life with the expert guidance and insights of Philippe Maillet. Following the tour, guests will participate in an interactive Q&A session in



**CHATEAU DE VERSAILLES**  
**MITCHELL PARK COMMUNITY CENTER**  
3700 Middlefield Rd  
Palo Alto, CA 94303  
Sunday, Dec 8 2024  
9:30 am - 11:30 am  
Doors open at 8:30am  
Live virtual tour followed by a Baroque dance Performance

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both English and French, providing a deeper insight into the fascinating life and culture of Versailles.

The morning will culminate with a live performance of the menuet, a Baroque dance beloved by French aristocrats before the Revolution, performed by Jennifer Miller, Professor of Baroque Dance at the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. Following the performance, attendees will have the opportunity to step into history themselves with an interactive menuet lesson, learning the elegant movements of this historic dance.

Adding a delicious touch to the event, award-winning Pastry Chef Avery Ruzicka, co-founder of [Manresa Bread](#), has generously donated a selection of her renowned pastries to support the occasion. Chef Ruzicka's exceptional creations have been a highlight of AFSV's previous Versailles events, and her contribution continues to enhance this immersive cultural experience. Guests can savor these delectable treats alongside complimentary hot beverages.

#### Event Details:

Location: Mitchell Park Community Center, Palo Alto, CA

Time: Doors open at 8:30 a.m.; Virtual tour begins at 9:30 a.m.

Registration: Tickets are limited—secure your spot today via this link: <https://bit.ly/40D33nH>

#### Looking Ahead: Exploring More French Cultural Treasures

Building on the popularity of its Live Morning at a French Museum program, AFSV plans to expand its offerings in 2025 with virtual tours and exhibitions featuring iconic landmarks like the Louvre Museum, Loire Valley castles, and the newly restored Notre-Dame de Paris, set to reopen in December 2024. These initiatives aim to bring the richness of French heritage to the Bay Area and beyond.

#### About Alliance Française Silicon Valley:

Alliance Française Silicon Valley (AFSV) is the official French language and cultural center serving San Mateo, Santa Clara, and Santa Cruz Counties. Offering French language classes, workshops, and cultural events, AFSV connects Francophiles and French expatriates to France's rich heritage. Recognized by SF Gate as the Best Learning Center & Tutors in the Bay Area 2024, AFSV continues to be a hub of excellence in language education and cultural programming.

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