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OF FRANCE IN JAPAN OCT 2021 TOMARCH 2022

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USPA NEWS - Initially scheduled from April to October 2021, the Season of France in Japan has been rescheduled due to the health crisis linked to Covid-19 and the postponement to 2021 of the Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games. It will now be held from October 2021 to March 2022 throughout the Japanese archipelago. Announced in September 2018 by the President of the Republic, Emmanuel Macron, the Season of France in Japan will reflect the friendship and mutual attraction of our two countries through an innovative and participatory program. The Season will aim to celebrate this unique relationship, in particular by honoring Franco-Japanese co-productions. It will also be a relay between two major international meetings for which Japan and France will take over responsibility: the Olympic and Paralympic Games in Tokyo in the summer of 2021, then in Paris in 2024.

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The general commissioning of the Season of France in Japan is provided by Diane Josse. Appointed in July 2019 to develop an ambitious and innovative French program in Japan, Diane Josse has an excellent knowledge of the Asian world, in particular Japan, and of the French cultural landscape. A graduate of the National School of Photography in Arles, Diane Josse has contributed, through the posts she has held in cultural diplomacy for more than twenty years, to the influence of France abroad, through the implementation of French cultural cooperation and programming in the most diverse fields (contemporary creation, digital creation, architecture, artist residency, heritage, books and debate of ideas, etc.).

This season of France in Japan will be implemented by the Institut Français, a public institution responsible for France's cultural action abroad. Under the dual supervision of the Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Culture, he actively contributes to France's influential diplomacy. Its projects and programs are based on a unique capacity for deployment through the vast network of cultural services of French embassies, French Institutes and French Alliances present on five continents. Source: French Foreign Affairs Ministry and Culture Ministry

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