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COMMUNIQUÉ DE PRESSE

**« The share at the garden »,  
theme of *Rendez-vous aux jardins* 2017  
friday 2<sup>nd</sup> , saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> and sunday 4<sup>th</sup> june 2017**

**The 15th edition of *Rendez-vous aux jardins* will be held on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th of June in more than 2 000 historic and contemporary parks and gardens, all over France.**

Numerous animations will be proposed to all types of public, and some of them will be especially organized for school groups, on Friday. Throughout the weekend, guided tours, conferences, debates, demonstrations, concerts, workshops, performances and exhibitions will give the opportunity to discover this rich heritage and to be initiated to the art of gardening.

**The theme of this edition is " the share at the garden " :** an exchange of knowledge, expertise and "savoir-faire" between gardeners, garden owners and visitors. This theme will highlight the social, educational and ecological impact of community, educational and family gardens.

***Rendez-vous aux jardins*** is an invitation to discover the actions set up by the French Ministry of Culture and Communications, all year round, to promote, protect, preserve, maintain, restore and create gardens and to train professional gardeners.

Organized in association with the Comité des Parcs et Jardins (French Parks and Gardens Committee), the Vieilles Maisons Françaises (association to protect built and landscape heritage), the Demeure Historique (French association of the private historical monuments), the Centre des monuments nationaux (Center of the National Monuments) as well as several regional and local authorities, this event is implemented by the Directions des Affaires Culturelles (Regional Directorates of Cultural Affairs).

For further informations : <http://rendezvousauxjardins.culturecommunication.gouv.fr/Le-partage-au-jardin>

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