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Their French lyrics win two AABCS students a trip to France

Ruby WONG Hiu Chun and Edward YIP Tsz Hin, both first year students in the French and English option of the AA in Bilingual Communication Studies, Community College of City University, have had their linguistic and musical talents rewarded.

Their task was to compose an original song in French and put it to music to celebrate La Journee de la Francophonie (that French-speaking Day!) Open to young people between the ages of 18-25, the competition was organized by the French Consulate-General in Hong Kong in collaboration with the consulates of Belgium, Canada, Laos, Switzerland and Vietnam, and with the support of Parenthéses bookshop.

Encouraged by David Santandreu-Calonge, the Division of Language Studies’ lecturer in French and Coordinator of the French Section and French Lecturer Sonia Jacob, twelve first and final year AABCS students of French tried their luck in a contest which attracted 37 participants from Hong Kong and Macau. Five prizes were up for grabs and two went to Ruby and Edward.

And the prize itself? An all-expenses-paid trip to France this summer, taking in the Nice Jazz Festival and the Francofolies at La Rochelle. So the lucky prizewinners will have ample opportunity to use their French in an authentic French setting and experience that exciting buzz which communicating in a foreign language brings, especially when you have put so much effort into learning it.

The official prize-giving ceremony took place at the Fringe Club in Central in the presence of the French Consul-General.
The French winning team
French Lecturer: Mr. David Santandreu Calonge. Student winners: Miss Ruby Wong & Mr. Edward Yip.
The Consulate General of France in Hong Kong: Ms Sylvie Tourpin

Student winners: Miss Ruby Wong & Mr. Edward Yip with Director, Alliance Francaise de Hong Kong.
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