

LE HAVRE HOSTED THE NATIONAL ELOQUENCE CONTEST!

The National Eloquence Contest was held in Le Havre on May 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th. To mark its 10th anniversary, the event was enriched by the creation of an eloquence festival.

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A celebration of eloquence

Organized by the law students' association of the University of Le Havre, on behalf of **ARES** (National Federation of Associations Representing Students in the Social Sciences), the National Eloquence Contest each year honors **the art of oratory** and **promotes critical thinking, creativity** and **civic engagement to a wide audience**.

In 2025, 35 speakers, winners of previous university eloquence competitions from all over France, competed against each other. **Omrane Slamani**, student at the University of Nanterre, is this year's winner!

The launch ceremony

The competition's **opening ceremony** took place on May 22nd at ISEL. The highlight of the evening was a joust between **Pedro Lages Dos Santos**, President of Le Havre-Normandie University, and **Edouard Philippe**, Mayor of Le Havre and President of the Le Havre Seine-

replay is available (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BZ_VeTO-

The **Ndc**)

on the Université Le

Havre-Normandie Youtube channel.

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We must celebrate eloquence, and at the same time not forget that it is at the service of what we say.

Edouard Philippe, Mayor of Le Havre and President of the Le Havre Seine Métropole Urban Community

The eloquence festival

Alongside the competition was the **eloquence festival**, during which several workshops, conferences and round tables were organized, opening up the event to **all students on the Le Havre-Normandie Campus**. In all, some thirty activities were on offer, including a workshop on the “Art of the Speed Pitch”, rap performances focusing on commitment through words, and a mock trial showcasing legal rigor.

The event closed with a **gala** at La Grande Ecole, attended by 500 students.

Relive the final of this historic event in Le Havre!(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WYTcaMgLqk4&t=2s>)



