



YAGP

International Semi-Final Tour Guide

Paris, France – November 7 - 10, 2020

Dear Friends,

We are thrilled to welcome you to the Youth America Grand Prix 21st competition season. Below, you will find a preliminary timeline to help you plan your schedule, and venue information, in order to help you choose the right Semi-Final location for you.

TIMELINE

Please note that the posted timeline is NOT FINAL, and is only meant to give you an idea of how each particular semi-final will be structured. For example, the Semi-Final usually begins with the pre-competitive group performances, followed by junior groups, senior groups and ensembles. Workshops usually take place differently in each venue, depending on the size of the group and the location. Depending on additional availability of studio and theater space, we may accommodate additional participants from the waiting list, by making adjustments to the timeline and adding an additional day to the competition. In this case, the timeline will state that additional dates are "pending". If you do not see this, it means the venue has no more available time, and will only accommodate a set number of participants.

The breakdown will be made clear in the final timeline and detailed schedule. The first draft of the updated timeline with a detailed schedule will be posted after the registration cut-off date, about five-to-six weeks prior to each semi-final. The final timeline will be posted 7 - 10 days before the event.

We strongly suggest that you only finalize travel arrangements after the first draft of the updated schedule has been posted, five to six weeks before the event.

YAGP's mission is to give talented students an opportunity to receive grants and scholarships with the most prestigious ballet schools and companies around the world. Though the Paris Semi-Final is a qualifying round for New York Final, there is a chance to receive grants and scholarships on the spot as the semi-final competition and master classes are visited by the directors of numerous ballet schools and companies.

VENUE

Here you will find details about all Semi-Final event facilities, including theaters and studios. The number of seats in the theater can be used as a good indicator of the size of the event -- the smaller the size of the auditorium, the more limited the capacity of the event, and vice versa. Semi-finals that take place later in the season usually get more crowded. In all cases, we recommend registering early to ensure participation in your preferred venue.

Best of luck this season, and please do not hesitate to send all your additional questions to regional@yagp.org.

All the best,

The YAGP Team

YAGP 2020 Paris, France

Important Information

About the Venue: All competition events will take place in Nanterre – a secure suburb near Paris, located 20 minutes – and 6 RER stops – away from the city center (Châtelet – Les Halles). The competition will take place at the Theatre Andre Malraux, in a picturesque neighborhood, with several great dining options in the area. There is a studio onsite at the Theater, which will be used mostly for warm-ups and occasional classes throughout the weekend. The master classes will take place at the Studios of the Paris Opera Ballet School - giving our participants a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to take classes inside the state-of-the-art facilities of the oldest and one of the most prestigious ballet schools in the world - just 3 short RER stops away from the Theater (6 minutes). YAGP is proud to be the first outside organization to which Paris Opera Ballet School opened its doors in its 300+ year history. The YAGP Paris Semi-Final is run in the similar structure as our New York City Finals - with a Final Round, and scholarship classes held throughout the weekend. As a result, a substantial amount of scholarships are awarded at this semi-final. There are several hotel options to choose from, located either within walking distance from the studios, or from the theatre, and a train station is a few stops away from the studios.

Theater: Theatre Andre Malraux

Address: 9 Place des Arts, 92500 Rueil-Malmaison, France

Stage size: 15 meters x 12 meters (49 x 39 feet), not raked

Auditorium size: 910 seats

Nearby restaurants: several options within walking distance

Parking: Theater has underground parking; €1.70/hour or €15.00 for 24 hours

Distance to the RER (Subway line): it is about a 15-minutes' walk from the RER station "Rueil-Malmaison"

Website: <https://www.tam.fr/>



Studios: The Paris Opera Ballet School

Address: 20 Allee de la Danse, 92000 Nanterre, France

Distance to the theater: 3.6 km – approximately 10 minute drive (taxi should cost approximately €10 - €15) or accessible by RER line A 3 stops from “Nanterre Prefecture” to “Rueil-Malmaison” – the studios are a short walk from the train station

Parking: We would suggest to park at the Hotel Mercure Paris La Defense Grande Arche since parking is very limited around the school (€24/day) and walk for approximately 5-minutes

Website: <https://www.operadeparis.fr/artistes/ecole-de-danse>



Hotels:

There are several hotel options to choose from, including YAGP's Official Paris hotel - the Mercure - located within a short walking distance of the Paris Opera Ballet School. For those participants who prefer to stay closer to the theater, there is Hotel Ibis within walking distance of the Theatre Andre Malraux, or the Novotel Paris Rueil Malmaison, located a short drive away from the theater, and very close to a train station a few stops away from the studios.

Host hotel: Hotel Mercure Paris La Defense Grande Arche ★★★★★

Address: 17/20 Esplanade Charles de Gaulle, Rue des Trois Fontanot, 92000 Nanterre, France

YAGP special rate (excludes City tax 1.98€ per person, per night:

November 6 - 7: 148€ single room, 150€ double room, 170€ triple room;

November 8-10: 94€ single room, 96€ double room, 141€ triple room, 161€ quad room;

Link for booking: Please download [the form](#) and email it to H1982-RE@accor.com:

Parking: Parking available at the hotel (€24/day)

Website:

<https://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-1982-mercure-paris-la-defense-grande-arche-hotel/index.shtml>

Restaurants onsite:

Les Soleils du Monde

Cuisine: French

Price range: €€ - €€€

Hours of operation: Mon - Thu 7 PM - 10:30 PM

Address: 17/20 Esplanade Charles de Gaulle, Rue des Trois Fontanot, 92000 Nanterre, France

Telephone: 01.46.69.68.16

The City Zen Bar

Cuisine: Bar

Price range: €€ - €€€

Hours of operation: Mon - Thu midday, Mon - Fri evening

Address: 17/20 Esplanade Charles de Gaulle, Rue des Trois Fontanot, 92000 Nanterre, France

Other hotels in the area:

Hotel: Hotel ibis Paris Rueil Malmaison (limited number of rooms available) ★★★

Address: 16 Boulevard de l'Hôpital Stell, 92500 Rueil-Malmaison, France

Distance to the theatre: 180 metres

Website: <https://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-1407-ibis-paris-rueil-malmaison/index.shtml>

Hotel: Hotel Novotel Paris Rueil Malmaison ★★★★★

Address: 21 Avenue Edouard Belin, 92566 Rueil-Malmaison, France

Distance to the theatre: 1.8 kilometers

Website: <https://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-1609-novotel-paris-rueil-malmaison/index.shtml>

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Preliminary Timeline

Thursday, November 7, 2019:

Competition

Theatre Andre Malraux
12 PM - 10 PM

Friday, November 8, 2019:

Competition

Theatre Andre Malraux
9 AM - 10 PM

Master Classes

Paris Opera Ballet School
Throughout the Day

Saturday, November 9, 2019:

Competition

Theatre Andre Malraux
9 AM - 10 PM

Master Classes

Paris Opera Ballet School
Throughout the Day

Sunday, November 10, 2019:

Competition & Final Round

Theatre Andre Malraux
9 AM - 6:30 PM

Master Classes

Paris Opera Ballet School
9 AM - 1 PM

Awards Ceremony

Theatre Andre Malraux
7:30 PM - 10 PM

- **Registration begins 1.5 hours before your Competition Time.**
- **Please note this schedule is Tentative and Subject to Change**
- **The first draft of the Timeline will be posted 5 - 6 weeks before the Event**
- **The final Timeline will be posted 10-14 days before the Event.**

Dining:

Restaurants near the studios, theatres, and hotels can be found by using [yelp.com](https://www.yelp.com) or [google.com/maps](https://www.google.com/maps) and entering the address of the venue.

Distances:

Distance from host hotel to the theater: 4 km – approximately 10-minute drive

(taxi should cost approximately €15, or accessible by RER line A1

(4 stops from “La Defense” to “Rueil-Malmaison”)

Distance from studios to host hotel: 250 m; approximately a 5-minute walk

Distance from Charles de Gaulle airport to host hotel: 30.9 km

(30-40- minute drive, taxi should cost approximately €55)

Distance from Orly Ouest airport to host hotel: 17.6 km

(25- minute drive, taxi should cost approximately €35)

Distance from Gare du Nord train station to host hotel: 3.1 km

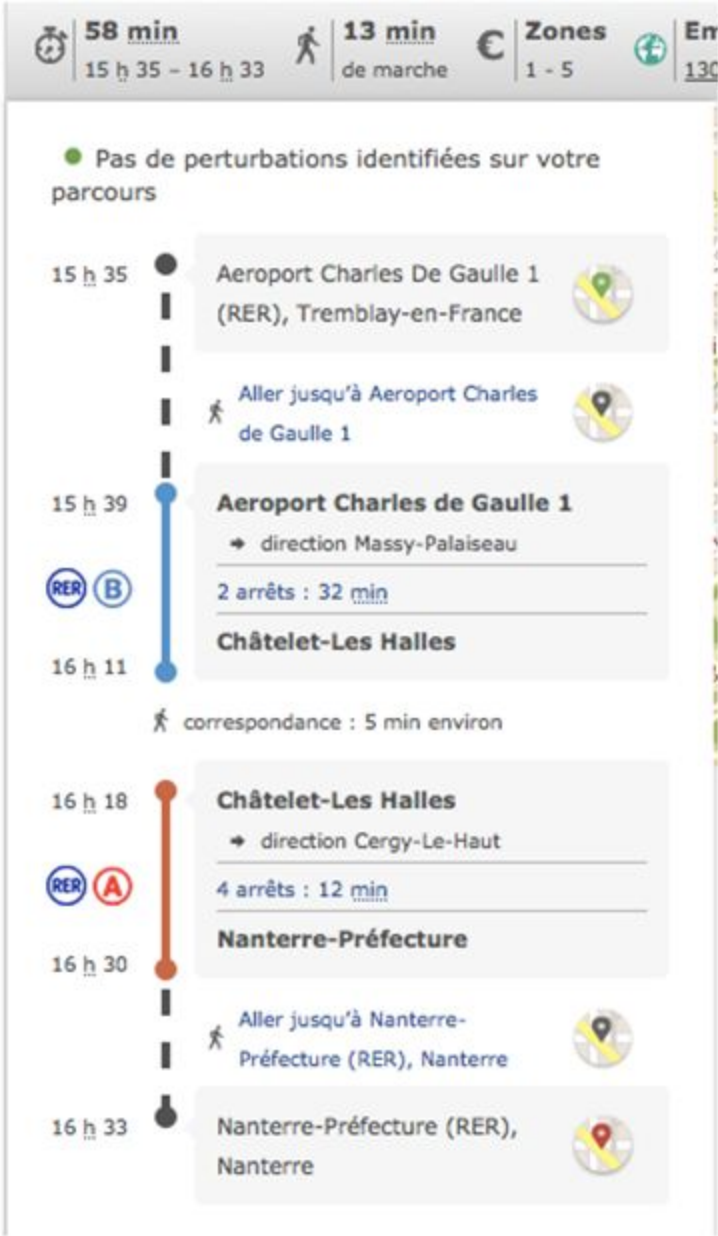
(15- minute drive, taxi should cost approximately €17)

Distance from Montparnasse train station to host hotel: 5 km

(20- minute drive, taxi should cost approximately €22)



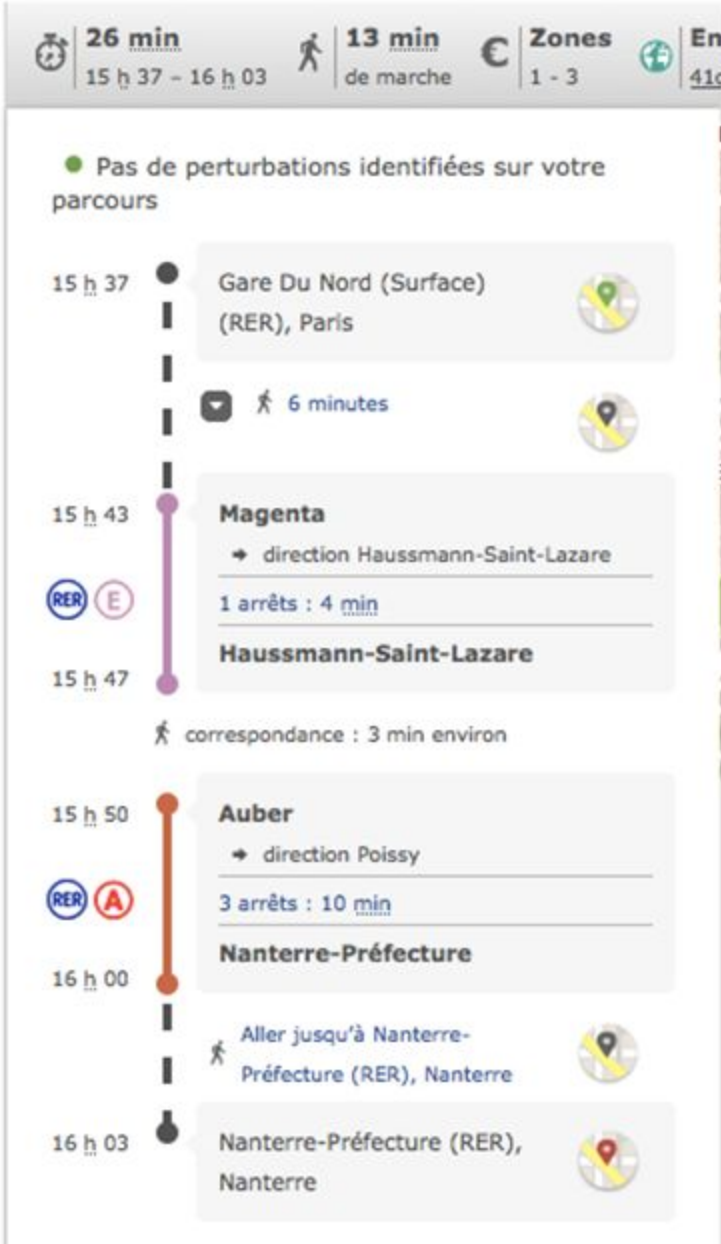
From Charles de Gaulle Airport to the Hotel:



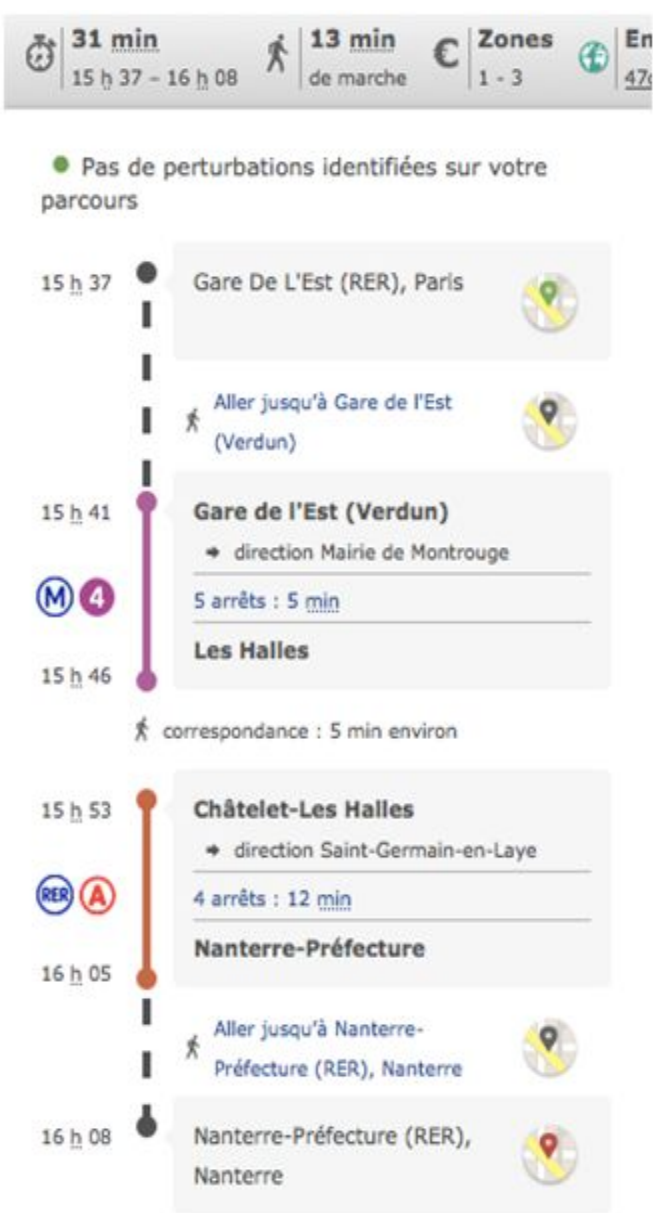
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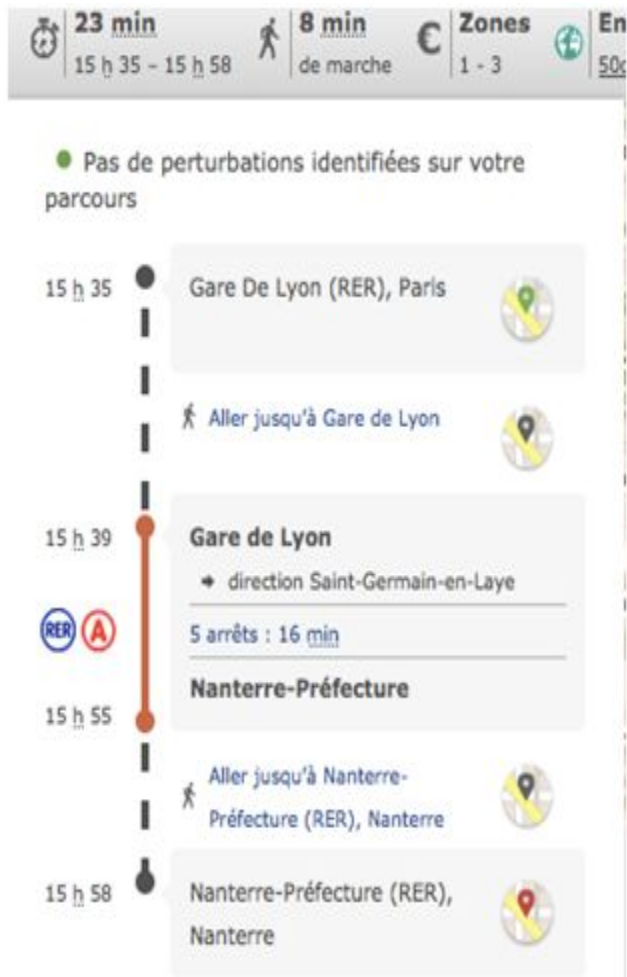
From Gare du Nord Train Station to the Hotel:



From Gare de l'Est Train Station to the Hotel:



Gare de Lyon Train Station to the Hotel:



Le Bourget Train Station to the Hotel:

