

SUPPORT LA CLEF



Help us reopen
the last community-run
movie theater in Paris !

Donate to the
Cinema Revival fund



La Clef is an iconic movie theater that opened in 1973 in Paris' Latin Quarter.

When it was put up for sale and at risk of closing in 2019, a collective of film lovers organized to occupy the movie theater and keep the projectors on.

Over the course of hundreds of screenings, the fight to save La Clef grew into a bigger movement that brought together audiences of thousands and artists including Martin Scorsese, Jean-Luc Godard, David Lynch, Justine Triet, Céline Sciamma, John Carpenter, and Payal Kapadia, among many others.

With all of their help and after five years of hard work and countless twists and turns, our collective successfully gathered the funds we needed to buy the movie theater and keep it from disappearing.



Oscar-winning director Justine Triet during a masterclass at La Clef, June 2024

In June 2024, our nonprofit Cinema Revival became the owner of La Clef.

Our mission is to keep this theater running sustainably, true to our values : **community-run, bold participatory programming, and a pay-what-you-can ticket pricing.**

But before we can reopen the theater we need to renovate it, and to do that, **we need your help !**



Members of the collective celebrating after La Clef was saved, June 2024

We need to find **\$400 000** **before April 2025** to fund the renovation work and to finally welcome the public back to La Clef ! We are looking for dedicated patrons who share our conviction that the collective experience of movie-going needs community theaters like ours, and want to support our grassroots initiative. **Thanks to fiscal sponsorship through Film Independent, donations are 100% tax-deductible in the United States.**



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back when we announced that we
had succeeded in saving La Clef

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Supporters celebrating after
La Clef was saved, June 2024