

The 7th edition of Les Enfants Arty at Le Negresco: Eddy Maniez opens the doors to his mischievous world filled with sparkles, spikes, and surprises!

On 9 July 2025, <u>Le Negresco</u> and <u>Art Kids Company</u> will set the stage for a new artistic chapter for children, in the delightful company of <u>Eddy Maniez</u> — also known as the man behind three billion spikes.

Eddy Maniez: Art as a Second Nature

Self-taught and driven by instinct, curiosity, and a deep connection to the living world, Eddy Maniez has spent over twenty years shaping a sculptural universe that is as tactile as it is vibrant. Once a forest ranger, he gradually moved away from the natural landscape to create an organic and poetic world inhabited by totemic animals and protective creatures.

Stemming from a system originally designed to protect delicate objects at sea, his art transforms a utilitarian concept into a unique visual language. Working freehand, he applies thousands of silicone spikes in a slow, intuitive motion, enhanced by the brilliance of Swarovski® crystals. Sharp to the eye and soft to the touch, his sculptures pulsate with a vibrant energy that instantly engages young imaginations.

Spikes and Wonders

This year, the Grand Edition welcomes children aged 4 to 13, expanding the range of the artistic experience in a spirit of transmission and intergenerational sharing.

From 2 to 5 pm, under the guidance of two Art Kids Company facilitators, budding artists will take over the Salon Masséna for a creative immersion into the world of Eddy Maniez, through playful workshops inspired by an aquatic theme.

A glimpse of the experience

- A sculpture workshop inspired by Eddy's signature creature the octopus where children will create their sparkling masterpieces using the distinctive materials and techniques that characterise his art.
- Envisioning the ocean depths of Eddy's world within a handcrafted aquarium box a poetic, tactile microcosm of the sea.
- A live workshop with Eddy Maniez himself, collaboratively creating a work of art alongside the children in the magnificent setting of Le Negresco.

Imagine, Create, Taste...

After two hours of artistic exploration, where imagination, movement, and materials converge, a moment of indulgence awaits. At 4 pm, Le Negresco's Pastry Chef, Yann Le Douaron, presents a afternoon delicacy inspired by the world of Eddy Maniez — playful, textured, and delightfully unexpected. This sweet interlude is included in the experience, offered at a rate of €58.

Advance booking can be made via email until 4 July 2025 at events@lenegresco.com

For young gourmets, the adventure continues at the table. MICHELIN-starred Chef <u>Virginie Basselot</u> has envisioned a menu filled with emotion at <u>Le Chantecler</u>, titled La Madeleine de Proust, priced at €65. At the contemporary brasserie La Rotonde, a children's menu at €18 has been specially created to delight young palates. At <u>N La Plage</u>, a playful Kid Box at €25 rounds off the experience with a joyful finish. Because here too, gastronomy is an art. (Menus reserved for children up to 12 years old)

The Story Behind Les Enfants Arty

As an art hotel proudly recognised as a Living Heritage Company, Le Negresco aspires to provide a space for expression where young guests can embrace their creativity freely. Launched in 2022, the Les Enfants Arty concept invites young minds to immerse themselves in the captivating realms of art, culture and heritage. The programme features exceptional workshops and enriching encounters with leading figures from the art world. This immersive experience is designed to ignite curiosity and inspire creativity, guiding children on a fascinating journey through the treasures of artistic and cultural discovery.







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About Le Negresco.

Le Negresco is one of the last independent French luxury hotels. Located on the iconic Promenade des Anglais and overlooking La Baie des Anges, it offers a one-of-a-kind sensory journey through 6,000 artworks spanning from Louis XIII to the modern times. More than just a place to stay, it is an art hotel where each of the 102 rooms and 28 suites is uniquely decorated with authentic period pieces reflecting centuries of French artistic heritage. The soul of Le Negresco owes much to Jeanne Augier (owner from 1957 to 2019), whose vision shaped its powerful and singular identity. Culinary excellence is led by Chef Virginie Basselot, Best Craftsman of France, at the MICHELIN-starred restaurant Le Chantecler, the contemporary brasserie La Rotonde and the hotel's N Les Bars - Le 1913 and Le Versailles. The beach club N La Plage, and recently launched N Le Spa complete the experience. A film location for over 37 movies, Le Negresco continues to inspire and enchant. A listed Historic Monument since 1975 (façade) & 2003 (Salon Royal), labelled a Living Heritage Company since 2015, Le Negresco is also a pioneer in sustainable hospitality, with certifications including Ecolabel (2014), Green Key and LHW Sustainability Leader (2024). Proud founding member of The Leading Hotels of the World since 1928. "A Legacy, A Legend."

News 2025: Launch of the Jeanne & Paul Penthouse Suite – former private sanctuary of Jeanne Augier.

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