

Le collège Edmond Bambuck a accueilli lors de la Semaine des Langues et celle de la presse un poète guadeloupéen, *Samuel Kramrr Rinaldo*, qui a la particularité d'avoir vécu 6 ans à Londres. Il a donc présenté à deux classes de 4<sup>ème</sup> (Mmes BAPTISTE-SALOMON et MARCIN) un exposé en anglais. Les élèves ont par la suite rédigé de façon collaborative un article retraçant cette rencontre.

### ***“Take the risk, do it, learn (from it)”***

*During the week of foreign languages and the press and media week in schools, we - class 402 of Collège Edmond Bambuck, Le Gosier - welcomed Samuel Kramrr Rinaldo for 40 minutes on Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023. As he lived several years in the United Kingdom, he almost spoke only English.*

Samuel Kramrr Rinaldo is a 38-year-old poet born and raised in Guadeloupe. Writing is his passion but not his job. He works with his mother who runs a retirement home. He is also a consultant. After his “Bac”, he went to Martinique to do a “classe prépa”, a prep school. Then he went to Rennes and then to Paris to continue his studies in political science. Mr Rinaldo also studied Journalism and Communications.

He started writing when he was in CP. He took part in a writing contest and won the first prize. When he was in 4e he was writing love letters to his crushes. But he told us that he didn't allow himself to be successful with girls.

Her mom told him to read Beaudelaire if he wanted to become a poet. Which he did.

During the hour he spent with the class, he gave us many advice: *“In life, you have to make sacrifices to succeed”, “You also have to trust yourself and work a lot”, “Nothing is easy, nothing is free”* and he repeated several times: *“Take the risk, do it, learn from it”*.

Samuel Rinaldo spent 12 years in Paris. Fed up with the French capital he wanted to go abroad. He ended up in London. He explained that people there don't care about accents. The simple fact that you speak English impress them. He also said: *“They don't care who you are but if you make the job”*.

After 5 years in London, he decided to come back to Guadeloupe and join the family business.

In 2018, Mr Rinaldo won another literary prize: le concours littéraire Africultures, in the poetry category. In 2020, he published his first book: *La tribu des rimes crépues* (éditions Neg Mawon).

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#### ***Class 402, What they said about Kramrr's visit:***

Sian : *« Je trouve que sa vie est assez bien. C'est assez intéressant. Être allé vivre en France puis être allé vivre en Angleterre, c'est courageux. »*

Alexandra : *« Il a eu un parcours professionnel très intéressant ».*

Kevin: *“Il a parfois parlé trop vite »*

The Guadeloupean poet Samuel Rinaldo sharing his experience in London with the students of the class 402. The students really appreciated his visit and what he told them.



Samuel Rinaldo also visited class 410 whose English teacher is Melissa Marcin. He displayed a video in which he could be seen reciting a poem with live musicians.

Students asked a lot of questions at the end to Mr Rinaldo, eager to know about him and even his private life!



Here is what Samuel Rinaldo posted after meeting with our students. It was an honor to receive him!



Samuel Kramrr Rinaldo's first book is absolutely amazing. So many beautifully written poems. Love is all around. But the poet says that his book is not recommended for youngsters. (fin lycée, peut-être).