

SOUFFLE CONTINU 22 rue Gerbier 75011 PARIS

Underground station : VOLTAIRE or PHILLIPPE AUGUSTE.

This is a quite recent shop (some 6-7 years), selling only new items. A wide range of genre, very well classified. Both CDs and vinyls. Friendly staff. Truly excellent!

It is not far from the concert place, more or less in the same area.



PARALLELES 47 rue St-Honoré 75001 PARIS

Underground station : LES HALLES (very very central).

THE historical place for the French underground : opened circa 1975 ! Nowadays, it is still a good place although you won't find anymore the treasures they had in the good old days. They sell new book + second-hand CDs & vinyls. Pop, rock, funk etc...

Other genres (jazz notably – which includes avant-prog) at their GILDA shop (see below).Part of my musical culture has grown in here!



JOSEPH GIBERT 26-34 Bd St-Michel 75006 PARIS

Underground station : ODEON

Mostly new items, although second-hand items are spread into the racks (then noted as such with a yellow sticker). For NEW items, this is probably the best place in Paris nowadays. All genres, a wide selection including obscure artists (large prog & psyche sections / **EXCELLENT** vinyl racks loaded with new reissue items). Note that jazz has been recently relocated into an adjacent shop but there is no communication by the inside. A large place and possibly hours to spend in for the most motivated !

Take care of the exact address as there are other Joseph Gibert shops in this area (books, office material, school books etc).



CROCODISC 40 rue des Ecoles – 75005 PARIS

4 minutes walk from JOSEPH GIBERT above.

They sell second-hand vinyls & CDs. A small place but a large stock (CDs are presented without their jewel boxes for optimizing the place). Sometimes good vinyl opportunities may show up. The adjacent shop does the same but for jazz & funk.



PARIS JAZZ CORNER - 5 rue Navarre – 75005 PARIS

It is located some 10-15 minutes walk from **CROCODISC / JOSEPH GIBERT**. As the name says, they specialize in Jazz, which includes its outer boundaries like avant-prog, free jazz etc.

Mostly second-hand vinyl (CDs in the basement). Some treasures in there, but a lot of patience is needed (high density of records)!



PLUS DE BRUIT - 35 rue la Rochefoucauld – 75009 PARIS

Underground station : St-Georges or Pigalle

A small shop dedicated to second-hand vinyl. A few CDs but the selection is small & usually rather poor. Their prices are very fair. Sometimes good opportunities may be found.

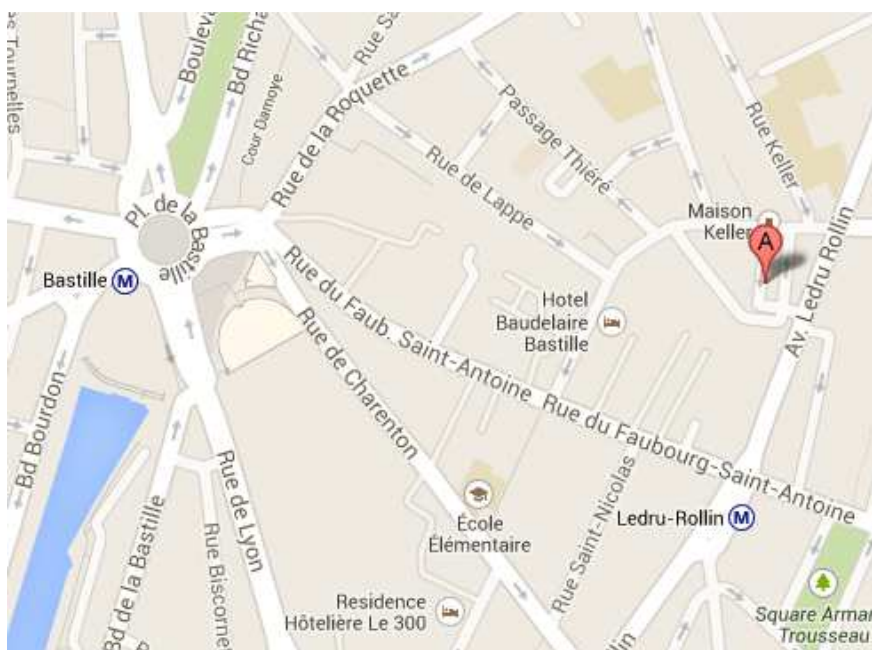


BIMBO TOWER 5 Passage St-Antoine – 75005 PARIS

Underground station : Bastille or Ledru-Rollin. Very central.

This place is really unbelievable ! it is a very small shop but the content is just amazing! They sell mostly new items - a large part being auto-productions, small labels, limited editions etc.

However deep may be your underground culture, you will encounter many many items you have never heard of. All underground genres : RIO, jazz, electro, post-rock, electronics, avant-garde, weird etc. It includes a quite large Japanese selection. **To be seen !!** Note that it is located into a narrow street with no shops (take a map, you may miss the little street !!). The look from the outside is barely a record-shop (see picture) – but don't hesitate, just PUSH the door (or ring if the door is closed as it is also the common entrance for people living up the stairs).



FNAC LES HALLES

Underground station : LES HALLES (very central – it's an underground (in the material meaning of the word !) shopping center, so **don't go out in the street when getting off the tube.**

Very close to PARALLELES & GILDA (see above) – 3 minutes walk.

Not much to say, this is the largest cultural shop in France and (maybe) of Europe. Books & music. Only new items, of course. Mostly well-known artists but also some more obscure items spread here & there. Large MAGMA & SOLEIL ZEUHL rack (in the Jazz section). It may be a pleasant visit whether for browsing with no specific need, or for looking for something.