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# The American Library in Paris

## ANNUAL REPORT 2009

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### ***From the Chairman and the Director***

As you will see from this annual report, the American Library in Paris last year continued to show strong evidence of its vitality, its momentum and its capacity to meet the evolving needs of its members as well as attract new members.

Relative to the previous year, revenues from membership were up; donations were up; attendance at evening programs was up; and traffic in the Library — and to our new website — was up. The Library introduced new electronic databases for its membership, and a new electronic newsletter, **e-Libris**, kept members and non-members alike informed about coming events. Movie nights, book groups, art workshops, and special children's and teen events kept the Library busy seven days a week. Partnerships with schools and universities, French and American, drew more people to the Library. The ranks of volunteers swelled.

Increases in gifts, including a significant bequest, cushioned the impacts of the ongoing financial crisis and foreign exchange developments in 2009— and membership in the Library was rediscovered as a value in and of itself in difficult times. The members, staff, volunteers and trustees of the Library have much to be proud of on the eve of its 90th anniversary.

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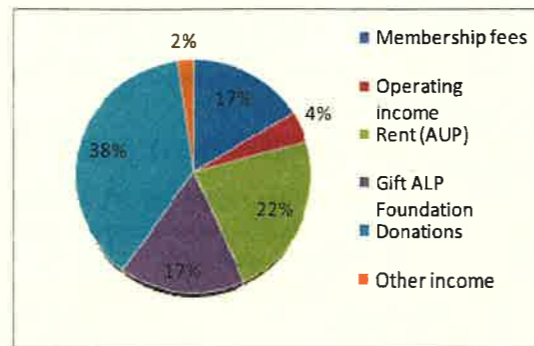
# FINANCIAL

## Statement of income and expenses

The American Library in Paris, Inc.

Revenues in \$	2009	2008
Membership fees	273 653	275 521
Operating income	72 570	51 956
Rent (AUP)	372 145	374 692
Gift ALP Foundation	279 433	503 527
Donations (1)	629 173	244 048
Other income	37 103	34 295
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>1 664 077</b>	<b>1 484 039</b>

### 2009 Revenues



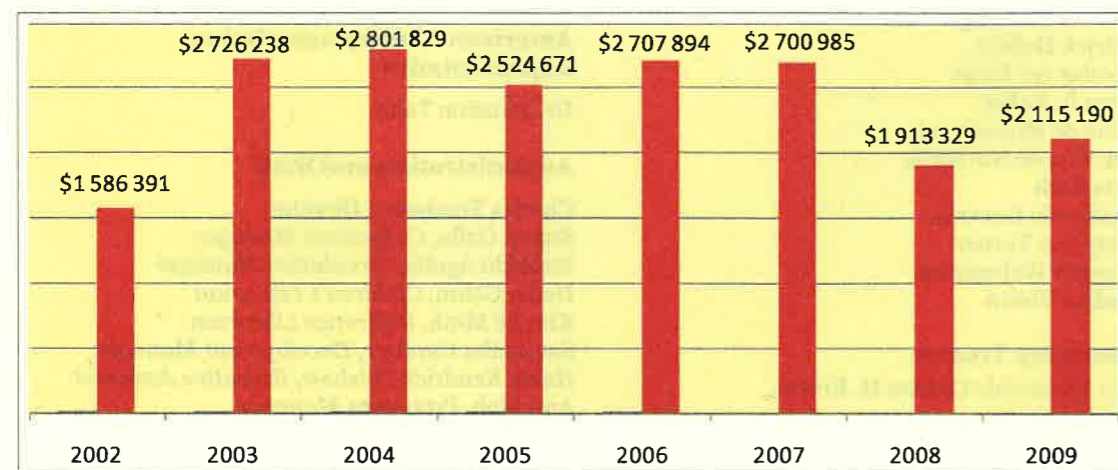
Expenditures in \$	2009	2008
Payroll	736 920	901 967
Building, Tax	213 289	218 184
Depreciation	106 932	83 209
Professional fees (2)	112 112	147 587
Books and periodicals	90 307	118 972
Marketing (3)	77 539	67 299
Other (4)	67 442	85 953
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>1 404 541</b>	<b>1 623 171</b>

### 2009 Expenditures



(1) Includes single bequest of \$315,116  
 (2) Banking, legal, and insurance fees.  
 (3) Advertising, programs, fundraising.  
 (4) Shipping, postage, telephone, equipment rental and maintenance.

## Investment assets: The American Library in Paris (USA) Foundation



Sources: Deloitte & Associés and Exponens. Copies of audited annual financial statements of the American Library in Paris, Inc. and the American Library in Paris-USA Foundation are available upon request and on the Library website: [www.americanlibraryinparis.org](http://www.americanlibraryinparis.org)

# LIBRARY DATA

## The collection

	2009	2008
<b>Total collection</b>	133 194	132 894
<b>Adult holdings</b>	112 577	113 617
Added	8 297	6 642
<b>Youth holdings</b>	13 580	11 933
Added	1 190	1 265
<b>A/V holdings</b>	7 037	7 344
Added	1 234	983

## Programs

	2009	2008
<b>Number of evening programs</b>	67	48
Total attendance	3 344	2 555
<b>Children's programs</b>	193	192

## Membership origin

As of 31 December 2009

Country	2009	2008
United States	819	38%
France	467	22%
United Kingdom	168	8%
'Binational'	78	4%
Canada	58	
Australia	46	
Korea	36	
India	34	
Ireland	25	
Germany	20	
Italy	19	
New Zealand	19	
China	11	
Spain	9	
Belgium	9	
Holland	8	
Japan	8	
Pakistan	7	
Switzerland	7	

.... and 156 others from an additional 38 countries.

Did not specify country	210	8%
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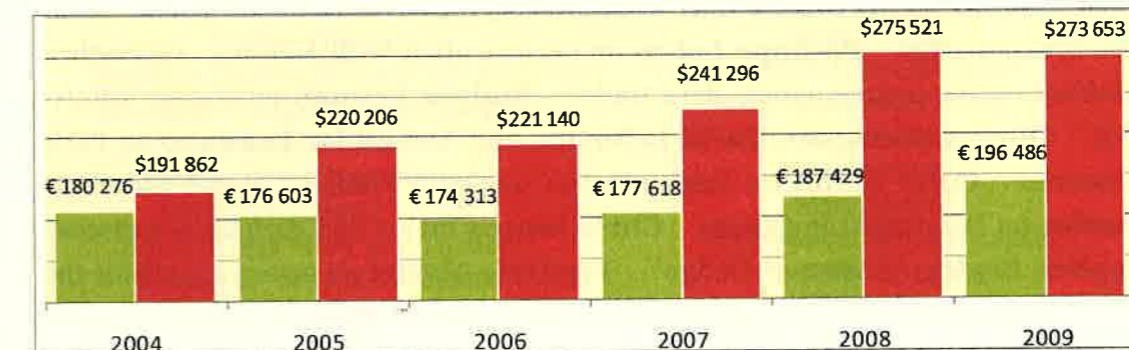
## Library operations

Library visits in 2009	73 837
Average daily visits	306
Library transactions in 2009	220 000
Average daily transactions	912

## Membership

	2009	2008
<b>Total Members</b>	2 238	2 169
<b>Individual</b>		
One-year	32%	37%
6 or 4 month	8%	8%
<b>Family</b>		
One-year	20%	21%
6 or 4 month	2%	2%
<b>Student</b>		
One-year	13%	13%
Institutional	17%	13%
Youth	6%	6%

## Membership revenues 2004-2009



Membership revenues are calculated on an accrual basis as of 2008.

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## EVENINGS AT THE LIBRARY

*Thanks largely to the continuing support of the Annenberg Foundation, Library members and the general public were fortunate to welcome the following speakers in 2009.*

**Darcy Tell** on Times Square **Jamileh Tlebizadeh** on manga **Giovanna Dell'Orto** on Europe-U.S. relations **Pamela Poole** on social media **Thierry Leterre** on the U.S. elections **David Bruke** on Edith Wharton's Paris **Thomas Rose** on Social Security and Medicare **Andrew Sean Greer** on 'The Story of a Marriage' **Lisa Pasold** on travel writing **Tioka Takedira** on children's publishing **Cheryl Bolden** on images of blacks in western art **Bernard Vincent** on Abraham Lincoln **Lucia Simion** on Antarctica **Ward Just** on 'Exiles in the Garden' **Diane Johnson** on 'Lulu in Marrakesh' **Stephen Dunbar-Johnson** and **Alison Smale** on the future of newspapers **William Jay Smith** on his love affair with France **Susie Morgenstern** on 'The Aspiring Writer's Journal' **Chris Boïcos** on Toulouse-Lautrec **Gail Milissa Grant** on 'At the Elbows of My Elders' **Christopher Dickey** on 'Securing the City' **Kate McLean** on 'The Other Side of Paris' **Annabel Simms** and **Tom Reeves** on travel writing **Charles Glass** on Americans in Occupied Paris **Sarah Lyall** on the British **Tom Fels** on life in a 1960s commune **Cara Black** and **Leighton Gage** on mystery writing **Pierre-Alain Tilliette** on 'The Visionary Ventriloquist' **Timothy Ryback** on Hitler's private library **A. Craig Copetas** on 'Mona Lisa's Pajamas' **Léna Salamé** on water and war **Laurent de Brunhoff** and **Alison Lurie** on Babar **Flora Fraser** on Pauline Bonaparte **Judith Merians** on the art of screenwriting **Susan Gilman** on 'Undress Me in the Temple of Heaven' **Joseph O'Neill** on 'Netherland' **Sichan Siv** on 'Golden Bones' **Felix Rohatyn** on the prospects for economic recovery **Thad Carhart** on 'Across the Endless River' **David Waller** on Victorian literary salons **Frederick Eckhard** on 'Reponsibility to Protect' **Nicola Keegan** on 'Swimming' **Frances Ryan** on visual literacy **Kristin Espinasse** and **Catherine Sanderson** on expat blogging **Alan Cooper** on the European Space Agency **Philippe Labro** on his love affair with America **Christine Buckley** on the contemporary slave trade **Andrea Leiman** on college admissions **Dorie Greenspan**, **David Lebovitz**, and **Alexander Lobrano** on Paris patisseries **Colin Smith** on England's last war with France **Janet Skeslien Charles** on 'Moonlight in Odessa' **Chris Boicos** on art and Alzheimer's disease **Stephen Bayley** 'Woman as Design' **Frederic Martel** on state support for the arts **Jane Alison** on 'The Sisters Antipodes' **Carol Rose** on 'The Reluctant Reader' **Sandy Tolan** on 'The Lemon Tree'

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