The American Library in Paris

A center for literature, learning, culture, and community

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This bi-monthly electronic newsletter highlights upcoming events, exhibitions and programs, and introduces you to our resources, services, and the people making a difference on the Library's behalf.

NOTE: The Library will be closed on Saturday 1 November

Literary Prizes on the Shelves

This month two awards for Literature were announced; one supporting the continued development of young writers and the other celebrating lifelong contributions to the craft.

The Man Booker Prize,

booker 2008.jpg

celebrating its 40th year, recognized one writer for his achievement in fiction. The 2008 winner was Aravind

Adiga for his novel *The White Tiger*. Adiga became the fourth debut novelist, and the second Indian debut novelist, to win the award in the forty year history of the prize. Discover all of the Man Booker Prize winners <u>from the past 40 years</u>.

The 2008 Nobel Prize in Literature was awarded to the French writer Jean-Marie Gustave Le Clézio, hailed by the Swedish Academy as an "author of new departures, poetic adventure and sensual ecstasy, explorer of a humanity beyond and below the reigning civilisation". Le Clézio joins the distinguished list of 105 people who have been awarded <u>The Nobel Prize in Literature since 1901.</u>

Discover past and present winners of these literary prizes, on display after Thursday 23 October near the entrance of the Library.

Kids and teens

Saturday 25 October 15h00-16h30

Halloween Party Ghosts, Goblins, Tricks and Treats Jack1.jpg Join us for jack-olanterns, costumes and Halloween fun! Come in costume for a chance to win prizes for the best-(or scariest-) dressed.

Spooky stories, crafts, prizes and lots of trick-or treating are in store. And of course we'll have our annual Halloween parade around the library. Thrilling! Chilling! A ghoulishly good time!

All ages and adults welcome - Come in costume!

And always...

Mother Goose Lap Sit

Upcoming Programs and Events

Wednesday 22 October 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Pulitzer Prize-winning poet C. K. Williams reads from five decades worth of his poetry.

Wednesday 29 October 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Jerome Charyn presents *Johnny One-Eye: A Tale of the American Revolution.*

Wednesday 5 November 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Clotilde Dusoulier, Charlotte Puckette, Olivia Kiang-Snaije, and others on *French Gastronomy*.

Wednesday 12 November 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Ted Widmer on *Ark of the Liberties: America and the World.*

Thursday 13 November 19h30

WICE@The Library: Literary magazine *Upstairs at Duroc* launches its latest issue.

For program details, visit http://www.americanlibraryinparis.org/

All evening events at the Library are free and open to the public. Special thanks to the Annenberg Foundation for their continuing support of Evenings with an Author.

10h30-11h00 (ages 1-3)

30 October & 6 November English rhymes, songs, and stories.

Wednesday Story Hour 10h30 & 14h30 (ages 3-5)

Drop-in sessions every Wednesday. No signups needed. Spend an hour together sharing a good book.

Halloween Story Hour Wednesday 29 October 10h30 & 14h30 (ages 3-5) No sign-ups bats1.gif

needed. Come in costume!

Children attending lap-sit and/or story hour must have their own library card, or be covered by a family membership. Otherwise, the program day fee applies.

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