

# 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.

## A tribute to Babar from Alison Lurie

Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist and scholar of children's literature *Alison Lurie* will be speaking at the Library gala dinner honoring Babar author *Laurent de Brunhoff* on **Thursday 4 June**. Actress *Leslie Caron* will also read Babar stories during the evening. Please mark the date on your calendar and, in early May, watch for an invitation to the gala dinner, the Library's principal annual fundraiser.



## Art on View: The Other Side of Paris

Tuesday 7 April - Saturday 9 May



As the title suggests, this series of images communicates everyday city life in the *quartiers* not normally featured in the iconic imagery of Paris postcards.

Discover [more about this exhibit](#) and photographer Kate McClean, who will share how she sees beyond the lens on **Tuesday 7 April** at 19h30.

## Word for Word is a sellout

All the places for *Word for Word's* performance of three *Tobias Wolff* short stories on **Thursday 9 April** have been reserved. Due to possible no-shows, some places may be available on the evening of the performance on a first-come, first-seated basis. For details,



## Kids and teens

**Saturday 4 April**  
**15h00-16h00 (ages 6-12)**

*American Hospital@  
The Library*

Learn what everyone



should have

on hand in the event of an emergency, and how to handle and prevent accidents. Then become a "Food Detective," in

this interactive game about fighting bacteria. Excellent handouts are available on the subject of staying safe and healthy in Paris. Join us!

**Saturday 11 April**  
**15h00-16h00 (ages 6-12)**

*Rocking rabbits,  
excellent  
eggs*

Join us for seasonal



stories, games, crafts and goodies—just in

including location and pricing, see the [Word for Word](#) events page.

## The appeal of spring: The Library needs you



Did you know that membership fees cover only 20 percent of the Library's operating expenses? Gifts from hundreds of members and other supporters make up fully half of our income. Donations of any size, in euros or in dollars, are important, and tax deductible. Please take a moment to [read the spring appeal letter and download the donation card](#) found on our website.

## Upcoming Events and Programs

### Saturday 4 April 10h00–19h00

Used Book Sale all day at the Library.

### Tuesday 7 April 19h30

Talk about Art: Photojournalist Kate McLean introduces her exhibit

[The Other Side of Paris.](#)

### Wednesday 8 April 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Explore Inside Paris—Outside Paris with authors Tom Reeves and Annabel Simms.

### Wednesday 15 April 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Charles Glass presents his new book on Americans who stayed in France through the

time for Easter.

## Calling young writers!

It's not too late to enter your story in the *7th Annual Red Wheelbarrow Creative Writing Contest* - open to all children and teens writing in English in the Paris region. The deadline is April 30th.

Information on the contest, writing guidelines, and more can be found on the [Red Wheelbarrow website](#).

## And always...

### Mother Goose Lap Sit 10h30-11h00 (ages 1-3)

2 April & 16 April  
Rhymes, songs, and stories in English.

### Wednesday Story Hour

### 10h30 & 14h30 (ages 3-5)

1 April, 8 April, 15 April  
Spend an hour together sharing a good book.  
No sign-ups needed.

22 and 29 April  
*afternoon session only*  
14h30-15h30  
Join us for classics and

Occupation.

For more details, see the [Events and Programs](#) page on our website.

All evening events at the Library are free and open to the public. We are grateful to the Annenberg Foundation for its continuing support of Evenings with an Author.

favourites with library volunteers Brandi and Maddy.

Unless otherwise stated, all children and teen programs are free for Library members and 9 euros for non-members.

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