

# 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.

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## Sign Up For A Book Group

Six new groups are forming



Engage in stimulating conversation about books, exchange perspectives about characters and plot, and get to know your neighbors. Join one of the six book groups planned for this fall -

"Other People's Marriages," "Strangers in a Strange Land," "James Joyce's Ulysses: A Reader's Odyssey," "Memoir," "The Pleasures of Poetic Drama," and "Passionate Exchanges: Parisian Literary Salons and the Culture of Letter Writing."

Any member of the American Library in Paris may participate, and anyone who wishes to participate may join the American Library. Visit the Book Groups page on our website then download the September flyer for details and a few tips to [signing up and getting started!](#)

## Join us for *A Night at the Movies*

How does storytelling in words differ creatively from storytelling in films? *A Night at the Movies* will compare excerpts from books and plays with scenes from the film versions of the literary works.



Once a month, scenes from a different and popular book/play and its film version will be featured and each selection will

## Kids and teens

**Saturday 12**

**September**

**15h00-16h00 (ages 6-12)**

*Trolls!*



Trolls have long been a mainstay of fairy tales, children's stories and popular imagination, from their Norwegian origins to the Harry Potter series and beyond. Join us for troll facts, fiction and filmstrips.

**Saturday 19**

**September**

**15h00-16h00 (ages 6-12)**

*Autumn colours*



It's back-to-school and it's almost fall, so join the librarian to contemplate autumn in fact and fiction. Then help us decorate the children's room for the new season.

**Writing Workshop**

exemplify a different aspect of filmic story telling. [Find out more.](#)

## Fall Open House

Saturday 26 September, 14h00 - 18h00



The Fall Open House provides an opportunity for the general public, along with potential members and their families, to learn more about the Library, our services and resources. Meet the staff, pick up a few research tips, test-drive our new databases, enter a raffle, and more. Find out what's happening [at the Library!](#)

## School Days: Novels that take you back

As the kids go back to school and you have some time to breathe, and even read, consider some of the great novels set in schools and colleges – classics like John Knowles's 'A Separate Peace' and Muriel Spark's 'The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie,' or recent books like Tom Wolfe's 'I am Charlotte Simmons' and this year's well-received 'Commencement,' by J. Courtney Sullivan. Check out our [Back to School reading list.](#)

## Upcoming Events and Programs

### Wednesday 9 September 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Financier and former U.S. Ambassador to France Felix Rohatyn on steps towards economic recovery.

### Wednesday 16 September 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Thad Carhart on his new novel, 'Across the Endless River.'

### Tuesday 22 September 19h30

A Night at the Movies: Judith Merians discusses 'The

**begins**

**Friday 25 September**

**19h00-21h00 (ages 12+)**

*Create, Edit, Share!*

Join us for a three-part writing workshop with acclaimed author, teacher and library favorite, Pedro de Alcantara. [Learn more about the writing workshop.](#)

## Bookworms Book Club

Starting **Saturday 26**

**September**, we

will be reading and discussing



*Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key* written by Jack Gantos. Sessions will take place on three consecutive Saturday afternoons **from 14h00 to 15h00 (ages 9-12).**

[Get the scoop on the book club.](#)

**Saturday 26**

**September**

**15h00-16h30 (ages 4+)**

*End-of-Summer*

*Reading Club Party*

Come celebrate your

summer reading

accomplishments with

all the young folks who

participated in the 2009

Summer Reading

Godfather', how you pull people into a story and more.

**Wednesday 23 September 19h30**

Evenings with an Author: David Waller on Victorian literary salons and his book, 'The Magnificent Mrs. Tennant.'

**Saturday 26 September 14h00–18h00**

Open House at the Library: tours, demonstrations, and activities for children.

**Tuesday 29 September 19h30**

WICE World Watch@The Library: Frederic Eckhard examines 'The Responsibility to Protect' legal debate at the United Nations.

**Wednesday 30 September 19h30**

Evenings with an Author: Nicola Keegan on her novel, 'Swimming.'

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.

Program "Kidding Around!" [See more End-of-Summer party details.](#)

**And always...**

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

10 & 24 September  
Rhymes, songs, and stories in English.

**Wednesday Story  
Hour**

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

9, 16, 23 &  
30 September  
Drop-in sessions on Wednesdays. Spend an hour with friends and some good books. No sign-ups needed.

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

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