

# The American Library in Paris

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## Good news about the Gala



We're delighted to report that the 2010 Gala dinner in celebration of the Library's 90th anniversary, and featuring novelist and humorist Christopher Buckley, is fully subscribed. Many thanks to our enthusiastic supporters for making this important fundraising event a success, and our apologies to those who will not be able to attend this year.

To accommodate those who are unable to attend the dinner, Mr. Buckley has just agreed to appear at the Library the following night, **Wednesday 2 June, at 19h30**, for a reading and brief talk, followed by book signing. Those who have attempted to reserve for the gala but could not be accommodated will have priority seating at this event, which is otherwise open to the public and free of charge, as are all [Evenings with an Author](#) at the Library.

## When we're closed in May

Please note that the Library **will be closed** on the following days in May:

- Thurs 13 May - Ascension
- Sun 30 May - 2010 Paris Spelling Bee

Please note that on **Sunday 30 May** access to the Library will be limited to the registered participants of the 2010 Paris Spelling Bee, their immediate family, and invited guests.

## A new roof

## Kids and teens

**Saturday 15 May**  
**15h00-16h00 (ages 6+)**

*A visual introduction to Japan*

Explore the landscapes, arts, and fashions (both ancient and modern) of this fascinating country through a beautiful presentation of slides and images of Japan. Parents welcome! [Find out more.](#)

**Teen Night!**  
**Friday 21 May**  
**19h00-21h00 (ages 12+)**

*Using International Travel and Multiple Narrative Perspectives to Create an Unforgettable Story*

Discover how to turn idiosyncratic travel moments into enigmatic stories or plot details with author





Regular Library patrons will have noticed that work has finally begun on a new roof over the corner research center. Please excuse the occasional noise and inevitable dust during this renewal project, which should be complete by early July.

During the construction, the indexes and other reference materials shelved in that area, along with microfilm services, will not be available. Only one unisex restroom will be in service during this period and the community board used to post announcements has moved location. We apologize for the inconvenience.

## Upcoming Events and Programs

### Tuesday 11 May 19h30

A Night at the Movies: Judith Merians on 'City of God' and making a story set in the slums of Rio de Janeiro have universal appeal.

### Wednesday 12 May 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Acclaimed novelist and memoirist John Edgar Wideman on 'Briefs, Stories for the Palm of the Mind.'

### Saturday 15 May 10h00-19h00

Used Book Sale all day at the Library.

### Tuesday 18 May 19h30

On Pleasure and Poetry: A literary evening with Jeffrey Greene, Heather Hartley, Willard Spiegelman, Cecilia Woloch and moderator Ellen Hinsey.

### Wednesday 19 May 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Constance Borde and Sheila Malovany-Chevallier on their new translation of Simone de Beauvoir's 'The Second Sex.'

### Tuesday 25 May 19h30

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Lucy Silag. Beginners are welcomed and encouraged. Learn more about this [workshop and author Lucy Silag](#).

### Saturday 22 May 15h00-16h00 (ages 6-12)

*Mother's Day and Fête des Mères*

Let's get together to celebrate



our moms! Americans, Canadians and many others around the world celebrated Mother's Day on Sunday, May 9th this year, and the French celebrate a little later, on May 30th.

Join us for mothering facts and fiction, and to make a personalized card for the greatest mom of all—your own.

### And always...

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

20 & 27 May

**The Library is closed on Thursday 13 May.**

Rhymes, songs, and stories in English on Thursdays.

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### **Wednesday 26 May 19h30**

Evenings with an Author: Laura Furman, Diane Johnson and Daniyal Mueenuddin on the art of the short story and its place in American literature today.

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.

### **Wednesday Story Hour**

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

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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