Authors upcoming

Don’t miss historian James Barr, author of *A Line in the Sand: Britain, France and the Struggle that Shaped the Middle East*, and his story of blinkered thinking, burning rivalries, and bungled opportunities between the world wars. That’s tomorrow, **Wednesday 25 April**, at 19h30

And next week, on **Wednesday 2 May**, the Library presents Alan Cowell of the *New York Times* and author of new novel about the death of the newspaper business, *The Paris Correspondent*.

Readings about reading

Places still remain for the afternoon symposium at the Library on reading in the digital age. **Reservations are required** for these sessions on Saturday 12 May.

Meanwhile, here’s a list of readings about the information revolution -- books, articles, blogs, and other elements of the ongoing conversation about connectivity and knowledge -- on the events page. Dig in, and come to the discussions!

An invitation to the Gala

Invitations to the annual gala dinner on **Thursday 31 May** – Sebastian Faulks is the guest of honor -- have been mailed to the postal addresses of the Library’s membership, and the positive responses are flowing back at
a heartening rate.

Everyone, member or not, is invited to this glittering soiree at the Four Seasons Hotel George V, the Library’s principal fundraiser of the year. If you would like to receive an invitation, please send us a message. For more information about the gala this year, please look here.

The May used book sale

The Library’s first-weekend-of-the-month book sales are getting bigger and bigger. Make a note to come to the next edition on **Saturday 5 May** and **Sunday 6 May** during regular operating hours. Most books at €3, €2, and €1!

For details on how to donate books to the Library, see the Book Bags & Book Donations page on our website.

Special closings

Please note that, following the French holiday schedule, the Library will be closed exceptionally on three dates in May: **Tuesday 1 May**, **Tuesday 8 May**, and **Thursday 17 May**.

For directions to the Library and other holiday closures, visit our Location and Hours page.

Upcoming Events and Programs

**Wednesday 25 April  19h30**
Evenings with an Author: James Barr explores ‘A Line In The Sand,’ a history of the rivalry between Britain and France for dominance in the Middle East.

**Tuesday 1 May**
Library is closed - Labor Day (Fête du Travail)

**Wednesday 2 May  19h30**
Evenings with an Author: Senior correspondent for the New York Times, Alan Cowell presents his novel ‘The Paris evening of book talk, secrets, and writing. Bring a pen and a sense of adventure. Registration is required for this activity as space is limited.

**Saturday 5 May**
15h00-16h30 (ages 6+)
**From East to West and In-Between**
Discover classic tales from the Americas during this afternoon story hour all about the United States, Canada and Mexico. We’ll share some old tales as well as some new ones, and we’ll finish off the afternoon with a scavenger hunt for explorers who want to dig deeper into the history of the Americas. No sign-up required!

**Attention Teens !**
**Upcycled it! An art contest for ages 12-18**
Take something that would otherwise be thrown away and use it to make a piece of cool, new art.
Saturday 5 May   10h00-19h00
Sunday 6 May   13h00-19h00
Used Book Sale at the Library on both days of the first weekend of the month.

Tuesday 8 May
Library is closed - WWII Victory Day (Fête de la Victoire 1945)

Wednesday 9 May   19h30

Thursday 10 May   19h30
A Night at the Movies: Judith Merians examines ‘The Shawshank Redemption.’ Discover the subtext of the story in which Andy, the force of hope, arrives in a forsaken place, changes it, and moves on.

Saturday 12 May   14h00 - 19h00

Tuesday 15 May   19h30
AAWE & MESSAGE @ The Library: Jacqueline Garçon on language acquisition and the distinction between primary and secondary language learning.

Wednesday 16 May   19h30
Evenings with an Author: Alice Kaplan discusses her book, Dreaming in French, tracing the stories of three women studying abroad in Paris: Jacqueline Kennedy, Susan Sontag, and Angela Davis.

For more details, see the Events and Programs page on our website.

Submit your original art (or a photo of your art) to the youth librarian by midnight on Saturday 5 May. Get the criteria for submissions.

Saturday 12 May
Bookworms Book Club (ages 9-12)
Bookworms is back in May with The City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau. We’ll be meeting over two consecutive Saturdays starting Saturday 12 May from 12h00-13h00.

Registration is required for this activity as space is limited.

And always...

Extra afternoon session!
Mother Goose Lap Sit
10h30 & 17h00 (ages 1-3)
3 (am session is full) & 24 May
Rhymes, songs, and stories in English two Thursdays a month for 30 minutes. All children must be accompanied by an adult lap and registration is required.
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 10 euros for non-members. Find out how to become a member.

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