

# The American Library in Paris

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## Playing on heartstrings

As the spring season comes to a close, and thanks to the generosity of a longtime member, the Library is celebrating a rite of spring with a [special musical performance](#) by the Hoffmann Quartet at **18h00 on Sunday 3 June** in the reading room.



The celebrated quartet, founded in 2008, will perform a selection of works by Haydn, Debussy, and Beethoven that reflects their special repertoire -- music played on period instruments corresponding to the composer's era. The quartet's programs are designed to mix styles, languages and composers. Refreshments will be served after the hour-long performance. Bring a friend!

## Annual General Meeting of the Library



Every year in June the American Library holds its annual meeting. The trustees and director review the previous year and new trustees are elected to the

board. Proposed for board nomination this year are Joseph Foks, Clydette de Groot, and Priscilla de Moustier. The meeting is open to the membership – and to interested non-members – and takes place this year on **Tuesday 12 June at 19h30-21h00**.

## The three-year hitch

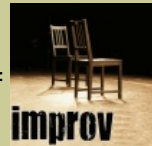
## Kids and teens

### Attention Teens!

**Friday 25 May**  
**19h00-21h00 (ages 12+)**

*Improv Night*

Come join in an evening of theatre



games and team improvisation that will help spark the spirit of creativity and get us thinking on our feet.

[Registration is required, get the scoop!](#)

### Saturday 26 May

**12h00-13h00 (ages 9-12)**

*Spring Chills with Adam Gidwitz*

Meet Adam Gidwitz, author of 'A Tale Dark & Grimm' for



an hour of chilling tales up in the Teen Mezzanine - faint-of-heart beware! [Find out more.](#)

Did you know there's a new way to join the Library that's more convenient and more economical? It's the new three-year option, available for family and individual annual memberships only. No hassles with annual renewals, and savings galore. Drop by the Circulation desk for details.



## Savvy Shopper Alert: Used Book Sale

Saturday 2 June, 10h00 - 19h00

Sunday 3 June, 13h00 - 19h00



Join us at the next monthly used book sale on **both days of the weekend** featuring hundreds of gently used adult and children's fiction and nonfiction books in hardcover and paperback.

Pick out some new-to-you books and in turn, help the Library continue to renew its permanent collection. Hardbacks €3, softcovers €2 and €1.

For details on how to donate books to the Library, see the [Book Bags & Book Donations](#) page on our website.

## Upcoming Events and Programs

### Tuesday 22 May 19h30

Evenings with an Author: David Herlihy, bicycle historian, tells the story of Frank Lenz and his disappearance on an epic bike trip.

### Thursday 24 May 19h30

WICE Writers on Writing @ The Library: Cyrus Cassells, author of 'Crossed-Out Swastika,' provides insights into his creative process.

### Tuesday 29 May 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Laurel Zuckerman shares the anthology 'Best Paris Stories.'

### Sunday 3 June 19h30

Music at the Library: The Hoffmann Quartet plays works by

### Saturday 26 May

15h00-16h00 (ages 6+)

*Fancy Nancy Tea Party*

If you have your own fancy tea cup, bring it along



for afternoon tea party with stories starring the fabulous Fancy Nancy and her friends. Fancy attire encouraged!

### Attention Teens!

Friday 1 June

19h00-21h00 (ages 12+)

*When Paintbrush Meets Page*

Join artists and author Heather



Hartley as we

invent our own

ekphrastic creations -

combining word and

image. [Registration is](#)

[required, get the details.](#)

Saturday 2 June

12h00-13h00 (ages 9-12)

*Meet Your Mind, The Fertile Factory*

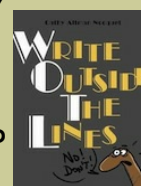
Cathy Altman

Nocquet

returns to ALP

to lead a

creativity workshop that



Debussy, Haydn, and Beethoven on period instruments.

**Tuesday 5 June 19h30**

A Night at the Movies: Judith Merians journeys through the film and written versions of 'The African Queen.'

**Wednesday 6 June 19h30**

Evenings with an Author: Cara Black presents 'Murder at the Lanterne Rouge,' part of her 'Aimé Leduc' mystery series.

**Wednesday 13 June 19h30**

Evening with an Expert: Jill Tarlau discusses bookbinding.

**Tuesday 19 June 19h30**

Evenings with an Author: Avis Cardella shares her story in 'Spent: Memoirs of a Shopping Addict.'

**Wednesday 20 June 19h30**

Living Digital: Philippe Colombet of GoogleFrance talks about the digitization of books.

**Thursday 21 June 19h30**

Digital vs. film? Color or black and white? What makes a photographer? How is style created? Sabine Jacquard talks about photography.

**Tuesday 26 June 19h30**

Paris Writers Workshop @ The Library: Christopher Tilghman and Caroline Preston will present their respective works, 'Right-Hand Shore' and 'The Scrapbook of Frankie Pratt.'

**Wednesday 27 June 19h30**

Evenings with an Author: Gerry Dryansky on 'Coquilles, Calva, & Creme,' a book full of evenings with Coco Chanel and Yves Saint Laurent, historic wine auctions and banquets.

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

will get kids 8-12 thinking and writing in ways they never thought possible. [Registration is required, find out more!](#)

**Saturday 2 June**

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

*Greeks Bearing Gifts*

Helen

Stathopoulos,

the notorious

former

children's librarian is

back for a visit! She'll

share photos and maps

of Greece, and tell some

of her favourite Greek

myths.



**And always...**

**Extra afternoon session!**

**Mother Goose Lap Sit**

**10h30 & 17h00 (ages 1-3)**

24 May (am session is full) & 7 June

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.](#)

**Wednesday Story**

**Hour**

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

grateful to the Annenberg Foundation for its continuing support of Evenings with an Author.

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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