An amazing rentrée

No time is busier in the life of the Library than the rentrée. September is the busiest month of the year for new members and renewals, and this year has been no exception. Great crowds at our evening programs, throngs of families in the children’s library, and heavily subscribed book groups give more evidence of the interest and participation the Library is generating in the community.

We were thrilled that more than 150 newcomers came through the doors to discover the Library at our Open House two Sundays ago. What with voter registration, the tours, and a very fine jazz duo helping everyone unwind at the end of the day, the Library was an exceptionally noisy place that day. For the full story, read the Library blog.

Charles Trueheart, Director

Paris markets and Obama’s Chicago

Tonight, 2 October at 19h30, two aficionados of the Paris market scene will be sharing their tastes and discoveries: Susan Loomis, author of the award-winning On Rue Tatin, and Marjorie Williams, author of Markets of Paris, now in its 2nd edition.

Tomorrow night, 3 October at 19h30, join us for a pre-screening of “Barack Obama: Back to Chicago,” with documentary filmmaker Roxanne

Kids and teens

Attention Teens!
Friday 5 October
19h00-21h00 (ages 12-18)
Voice Your Dreams
Join hosts Tracy Coutrix and Aliss Terrell for an introductory workshop to fine-tune presentation skills. In a relaxed atmosphere, we will learn skills to highlight our most unique qualities. Sign-up is required.

Saturday 6 October
12h00-13h00 (ages 9-12)
BOOKWORMS: Bone-Chilling Edition, part 1
Join us as we read some scary stories. We’ll do our own storytelling and perhaps write a bone-chiller of our own. Sessions will
Frias who will discuss this exploration of Chicago neighborhoods as they experienced the President’s first term. The film will be screened on French television at a later date on La Chaine Parlementaire.

And ... don’t forget to mark your calendars for the Mary McCarthy Centennial symposium a week from tonight, on Tuesday 16 October at 19h30.

**Haunted Library extravaganza**
**Saturday 27 October 18h00-20h30 (ages 8+)**

Come have your palm read and do some trick-or-treating, then tour our interactive haunted maze of mysteries, madness and literary villains as we celebrate Halloween with our Haunted Library Extravaganza. As well, children of all ages are invited to our Halloween Party and Story Hour from 15h00 to 16h30. Haunted Library tours are available every 15 minutes from 18h00 to 20h30. Advance registration is encouraged to guarantee a spot.

To reserve your tour, contact: rhoods@americanlibraryinparis.org

This event is free for library members. Entrance is 10€ for non-members (children and adults) or 25€ for a family pass.

**Savvy Shopper Alert: Used Book Sale**
**Saturday 6 October, 10h00 - 19h00**
**Sunday 7 October, 13h00 - 19h00**

Join us for the next monthly used book sale on Saturday and Sunday 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. Find out more here.

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

Wednesday 3 October  19h30
Director Roxanne Frias will screen and discuss the documentary *Barack Obama: Back to Chicago.*

Saturday 6 October  10h00-19h00
Sunday 7 October  13h00-19h00
Used Book Sale at the Library, on both days of the first weekend of the month.

Wednesday 10 October  19h30
Evenings with an Author: Anne Korkeakivi presents her book *An Unexpected Guest.*

Tuesday 16 October  19h30
Mary McCarthy Centennial Celebration with speakers Laura Furman, Vincent Giroud, Diane Johnson, and many others.

Wednesday 17 October  19h30
Evenings with an Author: Paula Deitz presents collected essays in *Of Gardens.*

Wednesday 24 October  19h30
An Evening of Images: Chris Boïcos, founder of Paris Art Studies, will discuss works by Edward Hopper and field questions.

Saturday 27 October  15h00-16h30 (all ages)
Halloween Party and Story Hour: Dress up in your Halloween best and join us for some spooktacular festivities.

Saturday 27 October  18h00-20h30 (ages 8+)
Haunted Library Extravaganza: Tour our interactive haunted maze of mysteries, madness and literary villains. RSVP encouraged.

Program dates and speakers are subject to change. Please check the website for updates, see the [Events and Programs](#).

Saturday 13 October
15h00-16h00 (ages 5+)
*Teddy Bear Sleepover*
Drop off your favorite stuffed animal or doll to the Children’s Library between Saturday 6 October and Friday 12 October for a sleepover at the Library!

Then, come to the pyjama story time on Saturday 13 October to collect your Teddy Bear and listen to some fun bear stories. No sign-up necessary! [Get the scoop!](#)

**And always...**

**Mother Goose Lap Sit**
10h30 & 17h00 (ages 1-3)
4 October 10h30 full
18 October
Rhymes, songs, and stories in English on Thursdays. All children must be accompanied by an adult lap and registration is required.

**Wednesday Story Hour**
10h30 & 14h30 (ages 3-5)
3 & 10 October
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.

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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