Winter sale on memberships!

There’s never been a better time to join the American Library. Until February 28, if you join the Library for a year – in our family, individual, or our discounted student, senior and unemployed categories – you’ll receive an extra month free. That’s adding a bargain to what we think is already one of the best bargains in Paris.

Existing members of the Library can take advantage of the same deal too by recruiting a new annual member to the Library. Encourage a friend to join, or buy a gift membership for the friend, and your current annual membership will be extended by a month.

For details on this special offer, please visit the membership page on the website. We look forward to welcoming you to the Library.

Art on View: Blue, Grey and Black: African Americans in the Civil War
Tuesday 5 February to Sunday 24 March

As the Library continues its programming about the American Civil War (1861-1865), this year we commemorate the Emancipation Proclamation. A special 150th anniversary exhibit explores the lives of African-Americans during the Civil War.

Kids and teens

Attention Teens!
Friday 25 January
19h00-21h00 (ages 12-18)
Creating Mythology with author Amy Plum
Meet Amy Plum, author of the Die For Me series, for a short reading and Q&A, and then let Amy lead you through some creative writing exercises designed to help you build your own mythological world. Sign-up is required.

Saturday 26 January
12h00-14h00 (ages 9-12)
Time Travel on the Self Express
Let's work on public speaking.
Imagine your future through the eyes of your
War from civilians to soldiers and from slavery to emancipation.

Discover for yourself the inspiring stories of the African-American men and women who were profoundly influenced by and in the end greatly impacted the Civil War. As W.E.B. DuBois so eloquently stated, “Theirs was the most important first step toward a future that is now our present.”

On Wednesday 6 February join curator Naida Culshaw for a slide presentation exploring the stories featured in the Library's exhibit as well as other insights from her research. Learn more about the exhibit, which will open on Tuesday 5 February, and view the list of resources consulted during its development.

**February used book sale**

The Library’s book sales are getting bigger and bigger. Make a note to come to the next edition on Saturday 2 February and Sunday 3 February during regular operating hours. Pick something up for yourself or the book lover in your life. Most books at €3, €2, and €1! As a reminder, used books sales at the Library take place on both days of the first weekend of the month.

**Upcoming Events and Programs**

**Tuesday 22 January 19h30**
Elizabeth Milovidov and Samantha Woolfe explore teens, the internet, and social media.

**Wednesday 23 January 19h30**
Evenings with an Author: Kati Marton narrates a story of love, loss, and life after loss in *Paris: A Love Story*.

**Tuesday 29 January 19h30**
Evenings with Gardens: Amy Kupec-Larue discusses Parisian parks created under Napoleon III and Baron Haussmann.

favorite superhero or a character you admire from a book or movie with hosts Tracy Coutrix and Aliss Terrell. [Sign-up is required.](#)

**Saturday 26 January 15h00-16h00 (ages 6+)**
*Adventures in Wonderland*
Put on your mad hatter hats and discover Lewis Carroll’s classic book *Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland* as the youth librarian reads Jon Scieszka’s retelling of the story. Parents welcome and no sign-up necessary.

**Attention Teens!**
**Friday 1 February 19h00-21h00 (ages 12-18)**
*The 2-Hour Film School with Clarence Tokley*  
Acting coach Clarence Tokley will lead creative exercises and teach methods for acting on screen that could help us achieve greater expressiveness in our everyday situations.
Wednesday 30 January  19h30  
Evenings with an Author: Lisa Reznik and Cynthia Morris celebrate the life of Sylvia Beach in film and prose.

Saturday 2 February  10h00-19h00  
Sunday 3 February  13h00-19h00  
Used Book Sale at the Library on both days of the first weekend of the month.

Wednesday 6 February  19h30  
Curator Naida Culshaw will present the stories featured in the Art on View exhibition *Blue, Grey and Black: African Americans in the Civil War*.

Friday 8 February  19h30  
Experienced writers and amateurs, adults and teens alike are welcome to join in this program about getting published with young adult author Anne Heltzel.

Tuesday 19 February  19h30  
Evenings with an Author: Theasa Tuohy captures the essence of what drives those who go into war in *The Five O’Clock*.

Wednesday 20 February  19h30  
Evenings with an Author: Tracy Metz explores the special relationship that the Dutch have with the sea in *Sweet&Salt*.

Tuesday 26 February  19h30  
Kristin Duncombe leads a seminar to help parents communicate effectively with their kids about substance abuse and chemical dependency. This program is open to adults only.

Program dates and speakers are subject to change. Please check the website for updates, see the Events and Programs page.

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.