

## The Library Book Award Jury is chosen



The Library is delighted to announce the jury for the 2013 American Library in Paris Book Award: **Julian Barnes**, **Adam Gopnik** and **Diane Johnson**.

These distinguished authors, members of the Library's [Writers Council](#), have in their fiction and nonfiction explored the broad themes of the [new prize](#) for the best book of the year in English about France or the French-American encounter.

A shortlist will be announced in June, and the winning author awarded the \$5,000 prize at a ceremony in Paris on Wednesday 16 October.

## Outstanding programming ahead

More outstanding programming is just ahead at the Library.

## Kids and teens

### Attention teens!

**Friday 22 February**  
**19h30-21h00 (ages 12-18)**

*Clowning Around with Jim Denison: Umbrella Consciousness*

Join us for a performance by Jim

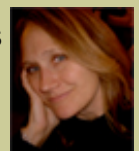


Denison appearing as his popular character, "Momo." Participants will be invited to try their hand at some acting. We'll wrap up with a Q&A about Jim's work and about being a clown! [Sign-up is required.](#)

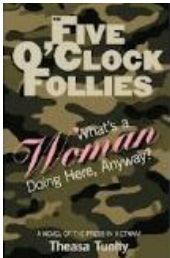
**Saturday 23 February**  
**12h00-13h30 (ages 8-12)**

*Friendship Circle with Mimi McCracken*

Calling all kids ages 8-12 and their parents!



Join us for a friendship



[Tonight](#), revisit the days of the Vietnam War through the eyes of an American journalist covering the conflict as one of the few women in the press corps. Journalist **Theasa Tuohy** presents her new novel, *Five O'Clock Follies*.

[Wednesday night](#), climate change is in the air – and on the sea. Critic **Tracy Metz**, recently cited in the *New York Times* for her book *Sweet&Salt*, explains what the Netherlands has to teach the world about the water around them.



Next Tuesday [26 February](#), Paris counselor and author **Kristin Duncombe** discusses ways to talk to your teenaged children about drugs, alcohol and issues of privacy and family values. The event is in cooperation with

Message and is open to adults only.

On Wednesday [27 February](#), **Fred Coleman** presents his inspiring new book about a French couple who rescued 527 children from the Nazi death camps: *The Marcel Network*.

There's much more to come in March, including authors **William Powers** on *Hamlet's Blackberry: Building a Good Life in the Digital Age* (Wednesday [13 March](#)) and **John Baxter** on *A Perfect Meal* (Wednesday [20 March](#)).

All programs begin promptly at 19h30 and are free and open to the public.

## **New Library Facebook page just for teens!**

Do you know a teen who wants to keep up with what's happening at the Library and find out about hot new young adult book recommendations? Then send them to the Library's new Facebook page just for teens! We'll be regularly posting cool



circle hosted by Mimi McCracken. It's a great opportunity to get to know each other and build friendships. [Sign-up is required.](#)

**Saturday 23 February  
15h00-16h00 (ages 6+)**

*Superheroes*



Come for a fun afternoon

program exploring the history, myth and creators behind your favorite superheroes. Feel free to dress up as your favorite superhero, or bring along a favorite comic. Parents welcome and no sign-up necessary.

## **Attention teens!**

**Friday 1 March  
19h30-21h00 (ages 12-18)**

*The Outsiders: Movie Screening and Discussion*

Join us for a screening of the film *The Outsiders*, by



Francis Ford Coppola, followed by a discussion comparing the book and the movie. Which do you prefer? How do the

news on this page dedicated to teens in our community. So "[like](#)" our page today and stay tuned for more!

## March 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 March and Sunday 3 March 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 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](#).

### Wednesday 27 February 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Fred Coleman discusses German-occupied France in *The Marcel Network*.

### Saturday 2 March 10h00-19h00

### Sunday 3 March 13h00-19h00

Used Book Sale at the Library on both days of the first weekend of the month.

### Wednesday 13 March 19h30

actors measure up? We'll discuss these questions and more after the film. [Sign-up is required](#).

### Saturday 2 March

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

### Poetry Party!

Put on your party hats (and your thinking caps!)



and join us for an afternoon of fun with poetry. We'll read the rhymes of some of our favorite poets then do some creative poetry writing of our own. Parents welcome and no sign-up necessary.

### And always...

### Mother Goose Lap Sit 10h30 & 17h00 (ages 1-3)

21 February ([10h30 full](#))  
7 & 21 March

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)

Evenings with an Author: William Powers talks about his latest *Hamlet's Blackberry: Building a Good Life in the Digital Age*.

**Wednesday 20 March 19h30**

Evenings with an Author: John Baxter seeks out delicious and endangered foods of France in *The Perfect Meal*.

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 with an Author.

27 February  
6 & 13 March  
Drop-in sessions on Wednesdays. Spend an hour with friends and some good books. No sign-up necessary!

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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