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Welcome back to another year at the American Library in Paris! Here are some immediate highlights of what's in store. See you soon at the Library.

Fall Book Groups and more...

From Madame de Sévigné in the 17th century to black humor in the 20th; from the present-day geopolitical rise of China to short fiction's use of imagination, this fall's [book groups](#) promise a fascinating and exciting variety of novels and non-fiction.

October will also bring a long-form non-fiction writing workshop led by research fellow Anthony Flint, while Mary Jo Padgett returns to lead a three-part walking tour of American Revolution history in Paris. There are still spots available for Library members to sign-up for these programs and groups. More reasons to [become a member](#) today!

A life in pictures and the state of food in France

The Library's fall evening programs begin next Wednesday [11 September](#) at 19h30 with an exclusive screening of *Get the Picture*, a new documentary film by Cathy Pearson about the legendary photo editor John G. Morris, a Paris resident for many of his 96 years. Morris will be present for a post-film discussion.



The following Monday [16 September](#) join us for a panel discussion on the state of French food with celebrated American-born chef Daniel Rose of Spring restaurant, one of the co-founders of Terroirs d'Avenir, and writer Pascale Brevet from the Slow Food movement. Please note that this event is

Kids and teens

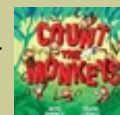
Saturday

7 September

15h00-16h00 (all ages)

Fall Book Fest

Come in for a reading of



some favorite

new picture books -

some sweet, some

hilarious, all of them

wonderful. We'll have

supplies for you to

make your own fall-

inspired creations.

No sign-up

necessary! Parents

welcome!

Attention teens!

Saturday 7

September 17h00-18h00 (ages 12-18)

Teen Writing Group

Join fellow

aspiring

writers in a

relaxed and creative

setting where you can

share your ideas, get



on a Monday, as usual at 19h30.

On Wednesday [18 September](#), Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist Richard Ford will be at the Library to present his latest novel, *Canada*. His first book since *The Lay of the Land* six years ago, *The New York Times* described *Canada* as "an examination of the redemptive power of articulated memory" and "a masterwork by one of our finest writers working at the top of his form."



The Book Award shortlist

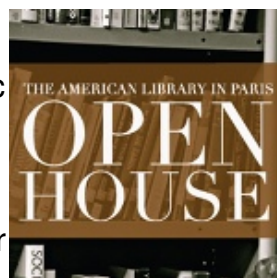
Five books have been selected for consideration by the jury for the 2013 American Library in Paris Book Award: *The Illusion of Separateness*, by Simon van Booy; *Cézanne: A Life*, by Alex Danchev; *Embers of War: The Fall of an Empire and the Making of America's Vietnam*, by Fredrik Logevall; *The Black Count: Glory, Revolution, Betrayal, and the Real Count of Monte Cristo*, by Tom Reiss; and *How the French Invented Love*, by Marilyn Yalom.



Read more about the [Book Award](#) and please visit a new Library [exhibit](#) featuring all 45 titles submitted for the 2013 award, which recognizes a distinguished new book about France or the French-American encounter.

Fall Open House - come one, come all!

On Sunday [22 September](#) at 13h00, the Library opens its doors to the general public with our Fall Open House. Come and meet our staff and take a behind-the-scenes tour of our newly renovated spaces with Director Charles Trueheart, browse the collections, and visit the Children's Library. [AAWE](#), one of the longest-standing American womens' group in Paris, will also be on hand all day to share information on bicultural living.



feedback and work on your technique. All are welcome to join these meetings and share their work.

[Sign-up](#) is required.

Saturday 14 September 12h00-13h00 (ages 9-12)
BOOKWORMS

Bookclub

This month, we'll be reading and discussing *The Girl Who Circumnavigated Fairyland in a Ship of Her Own*



Making written by Catherynne M.

Valente over 2 consecutive

Saturdays. [Sign-up is required.](#)

Attention teens!

Friday 13 September 19h00-21h30 (ages 12-18)

School of Rock Night with Matt Black

We'll watch the film



School of Rock starring Jack Black and then another fabulous Mr. Black, musician and teacher Matt Black,

Stay for a special screening of Steven Spielberg's film *Hook* at 18h00 (popcorn provided), as we celebrate the end of our Summer Reading programs. Bring the family and friends! Non-members are welcome!

The September Used Book Sale

The Library's first-weekend-of-the-month book sales are back! Make a note to come to the next edition on **Saturday 7 September** and **Sunday 8 September** during regular operating hours.

Most books cost €3, €2, and €1! Come to our sale and expand your collection of mystery novels, children's books or gardening know-how, in turn helping the Library continue to renew the permanent collection.



"A bookish haven for Americans in Paris"

We can't resist sharing the good news of a major newspaper spread about the American Library in Paris in Sunday's *Los Angeles Times*. If a library could blush, we would be blushing. [Have a look](#) and spread the word.

Upcoming Events and Programs

Wednesday 11 September 19h30

At the Movies: *Get the Picture!* A documentary about John G. Morris will be screened, followed by a discussion with Morris.

Monday 16 September 19h30

Panel discussion: The state of French food, with Daniel Rose, Pascale Brevet and a co-founder of Terroirs d'Avenir.

Wednesday 18 September 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Richard Ford talks about his latest novel, *Canada*.

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

will teach you how to play a song from the movie. [Sign-up is required.](#)

Saturday 14

September 15h00-16h00 (ages 5+)

Monster Cupcake Decorating

Join us for fun stories about



monsters, then create your very own edible monster. We'll have all the supplies you need to create your very own monster cupcakes. No sign-up necessary, but supplies are limited, so come early! Parents welcome!

And always...

Important Update!

Wednesday Story

Hour sessions, for children ages 3-5, are back with two sessions at 10h30 and 14h30. Please [check here](#) for the full schedule.

Mother Goose Lap Sit

17h00 (ages 1-3)
5 & 19 September

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.

Rhymes, songs, and stories in English on Thursdays. All children must be accompanied by an adult lap and [registration is required](#).

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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