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Civil War photography and living Frenchily

On Tuesday [24 September](#), the Library welcomes author Robert Wilson, who has written the biography *Mathew Brady, Portraits of a Nation*. Wilson's presentation will include photos, both iconic and lesser-known, by the famed 19th-century photographer who bore witness to war in the nascent days of American photography in the field.



The following night, on [25 September](#), we will hear about the good life *à la Française*, with Harriet Welty Rochefort (*Joie de Vivre*) and Jamie Cat Callan (*Ooh La La*). These two authors, whose books are highlights of the growing genre of French lifestyle manuals, will lead a lively discussion about the French way of life, style and femininity.

Fall Book Group offerings

There are still a few spots open in several this fall's [book groups](#), including *Rebels in Love*, *Getting a Grip on China*, *Imagination's Hold* and *Dark Humor in the 20th Century* (which meets on Sundays). As well, there are spots still available for the Saturday 5 October long-form non-fiction writing workshop led by Library research fellow Anthony Flint.



Celebrating books about France

One of the principal reasons the American Library launched a book prize a year ago is to tap into the outpouring of books

Kids and teens

Attention teens!

**Friday 20 September
19h00-21h00 (ages
12-18)**

Art Party

In the mood
for some
creative



expression?

Everyone is invited to join us for some awesome art, some bad art, snacks and good company. We'll have all the supplies you need. [Sign-up is required.](#)

**Saturday 21
September 15h00-
16h00 (ages 5+)**

Dragon Day

We'll be reading a few stories about dragons - some classics and some new adventures - then we'll test your knowledge of



published every year about France and the French-American relationship.

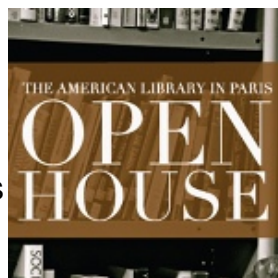
As the Writers Council jury chooses the winning book of the year and the Library prepares to announce its choice in November, a new Library [exhibit](#), on display from 17-29 September, celebrates this year's crop of 45 submissions for the 2013 prize, arrayed around the shortlist of five semifinalist books in the center space of the exhibit case.



Please take a moment on your next visit to admire the variety of topics and voices represented by these books. You may want to check one out, as most are in our circulating collection now. Thanks to our external relations manager, Pauline Lemasson, for curating this and every exhibit.

Fall Open House - all are welcome!

Be sure to stop by on Sunday [22 September](#) from 13h00 to 20h00 for the Library's 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.



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!

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dragonology and famous dragons in literature.

No sign-up necessary!

Parents welcome!

Attention teens!

Saturday 21

September 16h00-17h30 (ages 12-18)

Finding Your Voice: Writing a College Application Essay

Join Cathy Altman



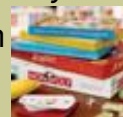
Nocquet for a writing workshop exploring personal anecdotes, moral dilemmas, world issues, self-branding and surviving the college application interview. [Sign-up is required.](#)

Saturday 28

September 15h00-16h30

Family Game Day

Stop by for an afternoon of



fun and

games. Challenge a Library volunteer to a game of Scrabble, Boggle or Battleship, or bring in your own team and use one of

An update on our summer renovations, Fall Open House, Book Award shortlist, book groups and upcoming programs for adults, kids and teens. It's all in the brand-new edition of our quarterly newsletter. Copies are available at the Library or can be downloaded from our [website](#).



Upcoming Events and Programs

Wednesday 18 September 19h30

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

Tuesday 24 September 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Robert Wilson presents his biography on *Matthew Brady: Portraits of a Nation*.

Wednesday 25 September 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Harriet Welty Rochefort (*Joie de Vivre*) and Jamie Cat Callan (*Ooh La La*) share with us the French way of living.

Tuesday 1 October 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Anthony Flint present his upcoming narrative biography *The Raven: The Life of Le Corbusier, Maker of the Modern*.

Wednesday 2 October 19h30

Evenings with an Author: Max Bryd talks about his best-selling crime novel *Paris Deadline*.

Saturday 5 October 10h00-19h00

Sunday 6 October 13h00-19h00

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

Tuesday 8 October 19h30

Curator Jerry Fielder presents the life of famed portrait photographer Yousuf Karsh.

Program dates and speakers are subject to change. Please

the Library's many fun board games.

No sign-up necessary!

Parents welcome!

Saturday 28

September 17h00-

18h30 (ages 12-18)

Master Shot Film Club

Aspiring

filmmakers



are invited to

join the new Master

Shot Film Club led by

filmmaker and writer

Clarence Tokley. This

club is to allow

budding filmmakers

the opportunity to

produce high quality

short films. [Sign-up is](#)

[required](#).

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

10h30 and

17h00 (ages 1-3)

19 September

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.

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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