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Fall Open House: Come one, come all

The Library's annual Fall Open House will take place on Sunday 21 September 2014 from 1pm to 7pm. This is a great opportunity to come and check out all that the Library has to offer. Library staff members will be present to tell you more about the collection, digital resources, programs for children, teens and adults and [volunteer opportunities](#).



Enjoy coffee and chocolate cookies courtesy of [Starbucks Coffee Company](#) all afternoon long. For a different kind of nourishment, try a shot of organic cold-pressed juice and vegetable blend drinks made by [Nubio](#), a Paris-based company, and learn more about the many health benefits of freshly made juices. Nubio will be serving juice shots at the Fall Open House from 14h00 to 16h00, so don't miss them.

Fall Open House is free and open to the public, so bring family and friends. There will be activities and programs all through the afternoon. Read on for full details and check our Library [website](#).

"Learn how to do 20 things at the Library"

We will be hosting "Learn How To Do 20 Things at the Library" at the Fall Open House with talented volunteers and organizations teaching people a new skill or providing information. Come and try all of them!

From 13h00 to 16h30, learn how to...

- Knit
- Do counted cross-stitch
- Juggle
- Register to vote (for U.S. elections)
- Speak some Spanish
- Do yoga
- Raise a digital citizen
- Start a website or blog

Kids



BOOKWORMS: *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library*
Saturday 13 September
12h00-13h00 (ages 9-12)
(first session)

Bookworms is back this fall! In September our book group will be reading and discussing *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library* by Chris Grabenstein. There are just a few spaces left, so reserve your spot now! [Sign-up is required.](#)

Start a website or blog
Name that tool
Make a sushi roll
Improve your curriculum vitae (CV)
Draw with shapes
Make a lanyard keychain
Be a better internet researcher
Do origami
Write a poem (ages 12+)
Study abroad (in the U.S., UK and Canada)
Get your face painted
Use a large-format camera
Become a Library member

The setup for the event will be informal. Guests will have the opportunity to go from table to table to try something new. If you learn how to juggle and enjoy it, then you can join the Library and check out books about juggling!

How to draw still life: an art class for teens and adults

From 14h00 to 16h00 at the Fall Open House, join Sandrine Courau, an art teacher from St. Germain des Arts, as she leads a [still life drawing class](#) with actual objects, some found in the Library. Participants will learn about perspective, shadowing, proportions, and balance and will use watercolor pencils and soft pastels to create their own masterpiece.



This hands-on art workshop is free and recommended for adults and teens ages 12+. Beginners and artists of all levels are welcome! Space is limited to 12 people. RSVP at lemasson@americanlibraryinparis.org.

Come for the cocktails, stay for the BBQ sauce

At 18h00, celebrate the end of Fall Open House with mixed cocktails prepared at the Library by a bartender from [La Conserverie](#). Stay for a special reception with award-winning photographer [Carrie Solomon](#) as she talks about her new cookbook, [Une Américaine à Paris](#), featuring 100 recipes of classic American cookery, including *pancakes au chocolat* (chocolate pancakes), *sandwich aux boulettes* (meatball sandwich), carrot cake, donuts, bagels, and many more.



Carrie will also demonstrate how to make American-style BBQ sauce and have some tasty ribs and veggies for dipping. Book sales and signing will follow.

This reception and [author talk](#) is free and open to the public.

Now's the time to join a Library book group!

Book groups: Whistleblowers, business genius,
new French novels, sports, brain science

Signups are under way for the Library's popular book groups, including new ones on sports issues, on tech startup stories, on the Dreyfus case and acts of conscience, and on the latest brain science. Or join the group reading the latest French novels and discuss them in English.

The book groups are free to members and meet monthly. They are limited to fourteen places. Read more about how to [sign up](#). The first sports group starts Saturday!

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