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Winter Wonderland for all ages

This year the Library's annual Winter Wonderland event will be held on Sunday 7 December from 15h00 to 18h30, and we've planned a few surprises for those who will be in attendance. Children of all ages and their families are invited to attend for stories, crafts, snacks and refreshments as well as performances by our special guests: Valerie Beatson and Matt Black.



This festive event, which began three years ago and replaced the Library's holiday party, has become a chance for families to meet other Library members over stories, entertainment and refreshments. Our staff and volunteers come together each year to bring a bit of snow and sparkle to Paris in December. We hope you'll come celebrate with us. Refreshments will be provided courtesy of Marks & Spencer and Starbucks Coffee.

Winter Wonderland is free for Library members and 10€ for non-members.

The Library is closed during the holidays

The Library will be closed for the Christmas holidays from 24 December 2014 to 1 January 2015. We will reopen on Friday 2 January 2015 with regular operating hours. Please be reminded that you can always renew your books online with My Account and you can return books through our book slot, seven days a week and at any hour.

Poetry, wine, art and Freud

How do we learn from great writers of the past and present? On [Saturday 29 November](#) at 14h00, Michael McCaughley leads a poetry workshop looking at technique in selected poems to understand some essence to use in our own writing,



Teens



Improv Night with the Improprofessionals

Friday 28 November
19h00-21h00 (ages 12-18)

Join members of a Paris improv troupe The Improprofessionals for an evening of theater games and team improvisation. We'll play basic improv games that will spark creativity, encourage teamwork and get you thinking on your feet!

[Sign-up is required.](#)



Finding Your Voice: Writing a College Application Essay

Saturday 29 November
16h30-18h00 (ages 12-18)

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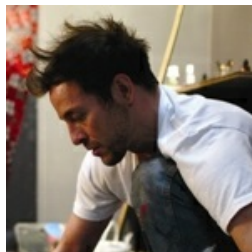
unique content for your essay will not only help your college application rise to the top, it will improve your writing overall. Come in for some essay help and interview tips

and/or to stimulate our reading. McCaughley will help explore what participants want from poetry and how to achieve those goals.



To participate in the poetry workshop, please RSVP by email to programs manager Grant Rosenberg at rosenberg@americanlibraryinparis.org. Free for Library members, and open to non-members with a day pass.

On [Wednesday 3 December](#) at 19h30, American artist Craig Hanna comes to discuss his work as a successful American painter living and working in Paris, and where he and his work fit into today's art world. Hanna is a graduate of Syracuse University and his work has been shown in London, Hong Kong, Malta and London, before moving to Paris. His work is based at the Laurence Esnol Gallery, which is exclusively devoted to his art.



Josh Adler returns to the Library on [Tuesday 9 December](#) at 19h30 to talk and share wine. His last tasting workshop focused on Eastern French wines, and this time he will be offering artisanal champagnes and sparkling wines - "an assortment of bubbly," as he puts it. There is a 45€ fee per person for the champagne and sparkling wine and food, payable to Paris Wine Company, by credit card or cash upon arrival at the event. RSVP is required by emailing programs manager Grant at rosenberg@americanlibraryinparis.org.



On [Wednesday 10 December](#), Sheila Kohler talks about her novel *Dreaming for Freud*, a fictionalized account inspired by Sigmund Freud's *Dora: An Analysis of a Case of Hysteria*. Kohler's book was praised by the Library's 2013 Gala speaker Joyce Carol Oates as a "slyly subversive, subtle and sensuous revisionist interpretation of Sigmund Freud and his iconic Dora case that might be subtitled *The Analyst Analyzed*."



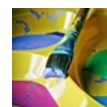
December offerings at the Library

As the season of giving approaches, a few ideas to get you in the spirit:

- Nothing we can think of matches a [membership](#) to the American Library in Paris for a gift that keeps on giving every day of the year. Who's your favorite book lover, student, senior citizen, or starving artist? Gift cards are available at the front desk.
- An American Library in Paris [tote bag](#), all-cotton, American-made, and in seven dazzling colors, makes a perfect stocking-stuffer, or doubles as the stocking itself.
- Stop by the Library used book sale this Saturday and Sunday for an amazing selection of our books, most at 1€, 2€, and 3€, and a chance to make lots of people happy.
- A package deal: all of the above. Put the gift card and a bunch of books in the

essay help and interview tips with writer Cathy Altman Nocquet.

[Sign-up is required.](#)



Bad Art Night

Friday 12 December

19h00-21h00 (ages 12-18)

Talented artists, amateurs and anyone who just wants to come make a big mess with paint, clay, glitter, decoupage and pastels are all invited to a night of bad art at the Library. Free your imagination and forget the rules as we compete to make the worst art possible.

[Sign-up is required.](#)

Kids



Brains on Fire

Saturday 29 November

15h00-16h00 (ages 5+)

Have you ever wondered how your brain remembers things? If the answer is yes, come join our guest host Shannon Connelly to learn more about how the brain works through stories, games, and art projects you can take home! *No sign-up necessary!*

Parents welcome!



Language Comes to Life (with Paris Spelling Bee)

Saturday 6 December

12h00-13h30 (ages 8-12)

If you want to spell thousands

tote bag, and put a ribbon on it.

New cookbooks to inspire you

Are you in search of culinary inspirations for your holiday table this season? Or are you a food lover who likes to read cookbooks like one would a novel? Food plays an essential part of holiday celebrations. Whether you plan on a traditional Thanksgiving dinner or prefer to have a Cuban feast or a Southern comfort spread, the Library has recently acquired some new cookbooks that will give you plenty of ideas and inspiration to please even the most discerning palates. Read our [Library blog](#) and happy cooking!



Upcoming Events

Wednesday 26 November | 19h30

Panel discussion on global terrorism

Alex Danchev will join Wendell Steavenson and Leela Jacinto to discuss fighting terrorism today.

Saturday 29 November | 14h00

Michael McCaughley - Poetry Workshop

Michael McCaughley leads a poetry writing workshop. RSVP is required at rosenberg@americanlibraryinparis.org.

Wednesday 3 December | 19h30

Craig Hanna - Evenings with a Painter

American artist Craig Hanna discusses his artwork and how it fits into the art world of today.

Saturday 6 December | 10h00 - 19h00

Sunday 7 December | 13h00 - 19h00

Used Book Sale

You can never have enough books! Come and pick up a few books at our monthly used book sale, and grab one of our new Library tote bags, now in new colors.

Tuesday 9 December | 19h30

Champagne and sparkling wines workshop

Josh Adler of Paris Wine Company leads a workshop on an assortment of bubbly. Cost is 45€ per person. Send RSVP to Grant Rosenberg at rosenberg@americanlibraryinparis.org.

Wednesday 10 December | 19h30

Sheila Kohler - Evenings with an Author

of words like a spelling bee champ there's more to words than meets the eye. Join the Paris Spelling Bee team, organizers of the [2015 Paris Spelling Bee](#), during this workshop and discover the keys to deconstructing words. [Sign-up is required.](#)



Winter Wonderland

Sunday 7 December

15h00-18h30 (all ages)

Keep warm indoors and meet fellow Library members during our annual winter celebration! There's a winter wonderland story time and craft-making, musical performances and a sing-along. Refreshments provided.

No sign-up necessary!

Parents welcome!

And always...

Wednesday Story Hour for children ages 3-5

Story Hour takes place at 10h30 and 14h30 every Wednesday.

Please [check here](#) for the full schedule.

No sign-up necessary!

Please note: There is no Story Hour on Wednesday 24 December.

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

4, 18 December

Rhymes, songs, and stories in English two Thursdays a month.

All children must be accompanied by an adult lap and registration is required.

Unless otherwise stated, all children's and teen's

Sheila Kohler discusses her new book *Dreaming for Freud*.

All evening events at the Library are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted. We are grateful to the Annenberg Foundation for its continuing support of Evenings with an Author.

Program dates and speakers are subject to change.

Please check the website for updates, see the [Events and Programs](#) page.

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