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Happy New Year from the Library

We begin a new year with exciting new offerings for our members and friends. Thank you for your continuing interest, participation, membership, and donations. See you at the Library!

Join a spring book group

Spring book groups have been announced, with some brand new offerings: one reading about the U.S. Supreme Court, another reading about globalization and technology, and one on poetry. From Marcel Proust to new French literature to racism in the U.S., this season's groups are a wealth of great reads. More information can be found on our [website](#).



There is no additional fee for the book groups, but you must be a member of the American Library in Paris to participate. To sign up for a book group, write to: rosenberg@americanlibraryinparis.org.

Library programs return

The new year kicks off with our monthly used book sale on **Saturday 9 January** from 10h00 to 19h00, and **Sunday 10 January** from 13h00 to 19h00. Come browse through our selection of new, lightly used, and well-loved books for all ages and interests.

Our first evening program of the year is a "Pizza and Family Movie Night" on [Saturday 9 January](#) at 19h00. We will be showing the film *Akeelah and the Bee* about a precocious eleven-year-old girl from south Los Angeles who has a talent for words. Participants can also register for the 8th Annual Paris Spelling Bee, which is open to children in CM1 to 6ème



Teens

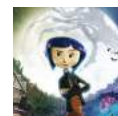


Crack the Code: Cryptography & Code-breaking

**Friday 15 January
19h00-21h00 (ages 12-18)**

Come try your hand at code-breaking and cryptography through games and challenges we've prepared for you.

[Sign-up is required.](#)



Inside Animation: Coraline

**Friday 29 January
19h00-21h30 (ages 12-18)**

Join us for a screening of the 2009 animated film *Coraline* with CG animator and stereographer John Benson. John will talk about how the film was made and give you and inside look at the stop-motion process.

[Sign-up is required.](#)



Paris Spelling Bee, which is open to children in GMT to better (ages 8-12). Sign up for the movie night [here](#).



On [Tuesday 12 January](#) at 19h30, artist Amélie Barthélemy, whose exhibition *Return From a Voyage* is on display at the Library through 31 January, will discuss the relationship between nature and her artwork in a slideshow presentation. She will also talk about how works by Pablo Picasso, Per Kirkeby, William Kentridge, Henry Moore, and Antoine Bourdelle have influenced her own artwork.



On [Wednesday 13 January](#) at 19h30, journalist Scott Sayare expands on his recent *Harpers Magazine* [cover story](#), "The Ultimate Terrorism Factory: Are French prisons incubating terrorism?" In it, he speaks with law enforcement, prison officials, and prisoners, and looks at the legal framework in France and how it differs from the United States when it comes to pursuing suspected and potential terrorists.



On [Tuesday 19 January](#) at 19h30, Dr. John F. Murray, author of *How Aging Works: What Science Can Do About It*, will explore aging and how medicine, a healthy lifestyle, and your mind can slow down its effects.

Novelist Mary Fleming presents her novel *Someone Else* on [Wednesday 20 January](#), which tells the story of a successful Anglo-American living in Paris with a dream life and family and what happens when secrets from her past emerge to haunt her.

New titles on Zinio

We are happy to announce that, based on your requests, 6 new titles have been added: *The Atlantic*, *Harper's Magazine*, *Horrible Histories*, *New York Magazine*, *Popular Photography*, and *Teen Vogue*. What's more, a year's worth of back issues of these new titles are available for online reading and downloading.



You can access all 20 titles from the E-Sources link to Zinio on our [online catalog](#). Make sure you have your library card number handy, as this service is only available to Library members. If you're a current Library member and need help setting up a Zinio account or downloading magazines, please call, send us an [email](#), or drop by the Library with your laptop, tablet, or smartphone.

Call for Visiting Fellowship nominations

The American Library in Paris Visiting Fellowship has brought outstanding writers and thinkers to the Library, for the benefit of its members and the general public since 2013: Anthony Flint, Alex Danchev, Ta-Nehisi Coates, Susan Hiner, Lan Samantha Chang, and, coming up in April, Megan Mayhew Bergman.



Thanks to renewed support from The de Groot Foundation, the Library is pleased to



Dangerous Words (a book club for ages 12-18)

Saturday 30 January
17h00-18h30

For this new book group we'll read and discuss banned and controversial books - books that people have attempted to ban or remove from libraries and/or schools in the US and elsewhere. Participants are asked to choose at least one of the following books to read before we meet. Check website for details.

[Sign-up is required.](#)

Kids



Picture Book Favorites from A-Z!

Saturday 9 January
15h00-16h30 (ages 5+)

Join us for some of our favorite stories featuring the stars of children's picture books. We'll followup with a fun scavenger hunt that will let you explore classic and contemporary stars of children's books. Children must be accompanied by an adult to participate in the scavenger hunt.

No sign-up necessary!

Parents welcome!



Pizza and Family Movie Night: Akeelah and the Bee

Saturday 9 January
16h00-21h30 (ages 8-12)

Thanks to renewed support from the Le Gros' Foundation, the Library is pleased to announce that the program will continue and that nominations are open for 2016-17 – a fall 2016 one-month fellowship, and a spring 2017 one-month fellowship. Criteria, expectations, deadlines, fees, and details are all on the [website](#), as are profiles of the Visiting Fellows to date.

Please spread the word about this unique opportunity to any serious candidates. We look forward to announcing the Visiting Fellows for next year in April.

Library Culture Picks: January

The Library is pleased to share our selection of cultural events going on in the city this month. Our Culture Picks for January include the 50th anniversary exhibition of l'école des loisirs, France's famed publishing house for children's books, a show featuring the legacy and heritage of Louis Vuitton, and a long overdue retrospective of Wifredo Lam. As always, we've selected some books from our collection to go along with these cultural offerings. Read more on our [Library blog](#).



Upcoming Events

Saturday 9 January | 10h00-19h00

Sunday 10 January | 13h00-19h00

Used Book Sale

Join us for the first used book sale of the new year! Refresh your collection by picking out a few pre-owned books from our sale.

Saturday 9 January | 19h00

Pizza and Family Movie Night *Akeelah and the Bee*

Join the Paris Spelling Bee team as we screen the movie *Akeelah and the Bee*. Registration for the 8th Annual Paris Spelling Bee is open after the movie. This event is open to families with children ages 8-12. Pizza and drinks will be provided and a 5€ donation is suggested per child.

Tuesday 12 January | 19h30

Amélie Barthélemy - *Evenings with an artist*

Arist Amélie Barthélemy will discuss the relationship between nature and her artwork in a slide presentation.

Wednesday 13 January | 19h30

Scott Sayare - *Evenings with a journalist*

Scott Sayare explores French prisons as possible places of radicalization.

Tuesday 19 January | 19h30

Dr. John F. Murray - *Evenings with an author*

Dr. John F. Murray explores aging and how to slow down its effects in his book *How Aging Works: What Science Can Do About It*.

15h00-21h00 (ages 8-12)

Join the Paris Spelling Bee team for a screening of the film *Akeelah and the Bee*. After the movie, you can register for the 8th Annual Paris Spelling Bee. Pizza and refreshments will be served before the screening. A 5€ donation is suggested per child.

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Caldecott Party

Saturday 16 January

15h00-16h00 (ages 5+)

Join us on Saturday 16 January as we read a selection of the Caldecott winners for 2016. Then we'll announce the winner of the Library's own second Mock Caldecott award. *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!

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

7, 21 January

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 programs are free for Library members and 10 euros for non-members.

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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