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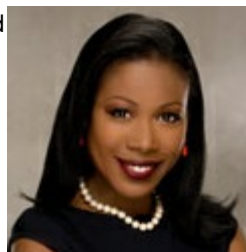
As we prepare to close the Library at the end of the day Saturday, most of our books will be boxed and stored for three months at an offsite storage facility. Movers are removing books from the main reading room, mezzanine, and front of the Library this week.

We hope that our members will understand that there will be noise and dust in many parts of the Library this week, with certain areas being inaccessible due to book and shelf removal. Please feel free to call the Library to check if a particular collection is available.

Library programs at Reid Hall

NOTE: The remainder of Library evening programs will be held off-site at Reid Hall, home of Columbia Global Centers, in the Montparnasse neighborhood, located [here](#). These off-site Library events are free and open to the public, although donations always welcome.

Our first event at Reid Hall is [tonight at 19h30](#), in a talk entitled "Karma and Consequences of Human Migration," author Isabel Wilkerson speaks about her Pulitzer Prize-winning book *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration* and its resonance today. She will expand on the book's cautionary tale of the Great Migration in light of current events in the US and ongoing migrations into Europe.



On [Tuesday 24 May](#) at 19h30 at Reid Hall, art historian Chris Boïcos will give his latest art talk and slide presentation, this time about Swiss-German artist Paul Klee. Boïcos will discuss a selection of the 250 works of this major figure in modern art through the prism of irony. An exhibition of Paul Klee is currently at the Centre Pompidou through 1 August. A must for



Teens



The 4th Annual Literary Reaping

Friday 13 May

19h00-21h30 (ages 12-18)

The last Teen Night of the 2015-16 school year! Join fellow teen lit fans for an evening of challenges to the death (or until we select a winner) during this evening of competition featuring all-new challenges and prizes. Just few spots left!

[Sign-up is required.](#)



Master Shot Film Club

Saturday 14 May

17h00-18h30 (ages 12-18)

Aspiring filmmakers are invited to join the Master Shot Film Club led by filmmaker and writer Clarence Tokley.

[Sign-up is required.](#)

Kids

currently at the Centre Pompidou through 1 August. A must for modern art enthusiasts and fans of Boïcos art talks.



On [Wednesday 1 June](#) at 19h30 at Reid Hall, journalist Joshua Hammer presents his book *The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu and Their Race to Save the World's Most Precious Manuscripts*, which is part caper, part geo-political exploration, as a group of librarians, led by archivist and historian Haidara, sought to save 350,000 volumes of ancient Arabic texts from Al-Qaeda militants who had taken over much of Mali.



On [Wednesday 15 June](#) at 19h30 at Reid Hall, an event honoring Bloomsday the following day, 16 June, which marks the day that the novel *Ulysses* takes place. The Paris Bloomsday Group will celebrate James Joyce and perform readings and songs from his work.

Paris Youth Film Showcase

The [Paris Youth Film Showcase](#) is hosted by the Library at the [Mona Bismarck American Center](#) for Art & Culture on Saturday 18 June at 16h30. The event will feature films created in English by Paris teens ages 12-18 years old. If you are interested in submitting a film for this event, please see the submissions page [here](#).



Selected films will be screened on 18 June before a panel of judges and winners chosen based on four categories. Please note that not all films may be appropriate for young children.

This event is free for Library members (upon presentation of your Library card) and for those under 18 years old, otherwise the day fee for the Mona Bismarck American Center applies.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 10 May | 19h30 (at REID HALL)

Isabel Wilkerson - *Evenings with an author*

Isabel Wilkerson will talk about her Pulitzer Prize-winning book *The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration*.

Tuesday 24 May | 19h30 (at REID HALL)

Chris Boïcos - *Evenings with an art historian*

Chris Boïcos will do an art talk and slide presentation of Swiss-German artist Paul Klee.

Wednesday 1 June | 19h30 (at REID HALL)

Joshua Hammer - *Evenings with an author*

Joshua Hammer speaks about his book *The Badass Librarians of Timbuktu*, which recounts the story of the people who raced to save precious Arabic text of antiquity

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Magic Show with Eric the Magician

Saturday 14 May

15h00-16h00 (ages 5+)

Join us for an afternoon of amazing magic with Eric the Magician! Eric's family-friendly shows are full of amazing magic and tons of laughter and fun for all ages. Come by and enjoy the last program for kids before the Library closes for renovation.

No sign-up necessary!

Parents welcome!



Summer Reading Program Kick-off Party!

(at the American Church in Paris)

Saturday 11 June

15h00-16h30 (all ages)

The Library's 2016 Summer Reading Program is for readers of all ages! This year's theme is: Read the World. Come for the kick-off party and we'll explain how the summer reading program works and we'll have lots of fun activities to get you started on your summer reading adventure.

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.

NOTE: From 18 May until 22

recounts the story of the people who raced to save precious Arabic text of antiquity from the destruction by al Qaeda militants.

Wednesday 15 June | 19h30 (at REID HALL)

Bloomsday Celebration

In honor of Bloomsday the following day, which marks the day that the novel Ulysses takes place, The Paris Bloomsday Group will celebrate James Joyce and perform readings and songs from his work.

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.

June we will hold one Story Hour session each Wednesday at 14h30 on the Champs de Mars (weather permitting).

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

No sign-up necessary!

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

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

12 May

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.

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