









The American Library in Paris

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Will this be the best gala yet?

With a world-famous speaker, a new venue, and a great crowd of dedicated Library supporters, this year's gala is shaping up to be among our best. Don't miss this opportunity to support an exceptional institution and spend time with award-winning author Salman Rushdie. Can we count on you?



Reserve your seats, or better yet an entire table, now at gala@americanlibraryinparis.org.

Wine talk, *Paris Noir* documentary, and the art of wallpaper

Tonight, Alice Feiring will speak about her book The Dirty Guide to Wine: Following Flavor fom Ground to Glass and For the Love of Wine: My Odyssey Through the World's Most Ancient Wine Culture where she talks about natural and biodynamic wines and how they differ from conventional wines and the wine-making process.

On Wednesday 14 February, the Library will screen Paris Noir: African Americans in the City of Light, a compelling documentary on the migration of African-Americans to France that blends rare photographs and archival footage, exciting period music, and insightful commentary by scholars and experts. The film weaves stories from WWI to the Jazz Age to the German Occupation. There will be a Q&A session after the film screening with filmmakers



Joanne and David Burke and producer Julia Browne.

On Wednesday 21 February, Carolle Thibault-Pomerantz will talk about her book Wallpaper: A History of Style and Trends and introduce us to a unique mural art form that was an important page in the history of decorative arts and interior design. Very much in the feetien gines the 19th century. English Erench, and Chinese wellnesses

Teens



Master Shot Film Club Saturday 10 February 17h00-18h30 (ages 12-18) Aspiring filmmakers are invited

to join the Master Shot Film Club led by filmmaker and writer Clarence Tokley. The purpose of this club is to have the opportunity to make highquality short films.

Sign-up is required.



Cookie Decorating with KatMakesCookies

Friday 23 February 19h00-21h00 (ages 12-18) Join us for a night of cookie decorating with volunteer Katherine Youngblood. Cookies and all the supplies you need to decorate will be provided.

Sign-up is required.

enhanced the homes of aristocratic and prosperous families throughout Europe, Russia, and America. It promises to be an interesting evening about an unheralded art form.

Word for Word returns to perform Lucia Berlin

The Library is delighted to welcome back the celebrated San Francisco theater company that puts great American short stories on stage - word for word. Returning to Paris for the 23rd year, Word for Word will perform five stories by Lucia Berlin from her collection *A Manual for Cleaning Women:* Stories. There will be one performance this year on Monday 9 April at 20h00 at Le Théâtre de la Tour Eiffel (formerly the Théâtre Adyar), just a block from the Library.



Donation at the door: 25€ per person (15€ students). Reservations will open on 9 March. Check our website for more information.

Special showing of *Screenagers: Growing Up in the Digital Age*

The Library, in collaboration with Message, will present a screening of Screenagers: Growing Up in the Digital Age on Saturday 10 March at 14h00. The film explores how tech time impacts kids' development and offers advice on how adults can empower kids to better navigate through the digital world and find balance.



The film is appropriate for adults and children ages 10+. Reservations and a suggested donation are required to attend. Please see our <u>website</u> to view the trailer and details on how to sign up.

Writing workshops for YAFF

Calling all young authors! Join us for a two-part writing workshop for ages 8-12 with volunteer Scott Onak dedicated to the art of writing a short story and with the goal of helping students submit one for the <u>Young Authors Fiction Festival</u>.





College Goals

Saturday 17 March 14h00-16h00 (ages 12-18)

During this presentation,
College Goals' counselor,
Andrea van Niekerk, will
address the complexities of
the American university
application system, with
special attention to the
process and mechanics.
Questions will be taken about
applications to the U.S., UK,
and Canada.

Sign-up is required.

Kids



Valentine Card-Making Saturday 10 February 15h00-16h00 (ages 6-10)

Get crafty with volunteer Olena
Anikieieva-Crevel in a
workshop dedicated to the art
of making Valentines! We'll
have all the supplies you need
to create homemade
Valentines for all the special
people in your life.
No sign-up necessary!
Parents welcome!



Writing a Story: From
Beginning to End
Sunday 11 February
17h00-18h00 (ages 5-8)
Join assistant children's and
teens' services librarian Kirsty
McCulloch for a workshop

These workshops are free for Library members and those who have purchased a day pass. Sign-up is required.

Spots still open for workshop on "Love When You Least Expect It"

On <u>Sunday 11 February</u> at 14h30, Roni Beth Tower, author of *Miracle at Midlife: A Transatlantic Romance* and a retired clinical, research, and academic psychologist, will lead a workshop discussion about loving, long-distance romance, and what it may take to turn your life around mid-stream.

This workshop is free for Library members and those who purchase a day pass. To sign-up, send an email to rosenberg@americanlibraryinparis.org.



Library Visiting Fellowship deadline: 15 February

The American Library in Paris Visiting Fellowship offers writers and researchers an opportunity to pursue a creative project in Paris for a month while actively participating in the life of the Library. Fellowship applicants should be working on a book project, fiction or non-fiction or a feature-length documentary film that furthers cross-cultural intellectual discourse. Past fellows include Jacqueline Woodson, Lan Samantha Chang, Alex Danchev, and Ta-Nehisi Coates.

The Fellowship carries a \$5,000 stipend and is open to all English-speakers, regardless of nationality. The deadline to apply is 15 February 2018 for the 2018-2019 season. Please check our website for more information.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday 7 February | 19h30

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Wednesday 14 February | 19h30

Film screening of *Paris Noir: African Americans in the City of Light*

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dedicated to creating your own original story from coming up with the idea to the very end. We'll play some games to come up with fun story ideas and go over tips for writing and editing.

Sign-up is required.



Draw and Doodle Saturday 24 February 15h00-16h00 (ages 6-10)

Join us for an afternoon of craft! Learn how to draw great characters with volunteers Olena Anikieieva-Crevel and Alexandra Vangsnes who will teach you step-by-step techniques for animals and objects they like to draw.

No sign-up necessary! Parents welcome!

And always...

Wednesday Story Hour for children ages 3-5

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

Please <u>check here</u> for the full schedule and details. No sign-up necessary!

Toddler Time 10h30 and 17h00 (ages 1-3)

Rhymes, songs, and stories in English lasting 30 minutes.

15 February, 1 March

All children must be accompanied by an adult lap. Sign-up is required.

Unless otherwise stated, all children's and teens' programs are free for Library members and 10 euros for non-members.

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Carolle Thibaut-Pomerantz: Evenings with an Author

Carolle Thibaut-Pomerantz will talk about her book *Wallpaper: A History of Style and Trends*.

Find out how to become a member.

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

Program dates and speakers are subject to change.

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