

## Audrey Chapuis to Conclude Tenure at the American Library in Paris; Named President & CEO of the Tampa Bay History Center

Paris, France — 22 August 2025 — The American Library in Paris announces that Executive Director Audrey Chapuis will conclude her tenure on 22 November 2025, after seven years in the role and more than a decade of service to the institution. In early December, she will return to the United States to assume the position of President and CEO of the Tampa Bay History Center in Florida.

Under Chapuis's leadership, the Library entered a new era of cultural relevance and international visibility. Chapuis spearheaded <u>Vision 2027</u>, expanded public programming and outreach, oversaw a centennial campaign, and helped secure key partnerships and funding that strengthened the Library's long-term sustainability. "Working alongside this remarkable team and community has been the privilege of my professional life," said Chapuis. "The Library is in a moment of extraordinary momentum—buoyed by Vision 2027, energized by an exceptional staff and Board, and deeply rooted in its mission. I'm excited to watch its next chapter unfold."

## Jill Le Grand, Chair of the Board of Trustees, said:

"The Library is in an exceptionally strong position for the future. Thanks to Audrey's leadership and management expertise, the Library has grown in reach, impact, and ambition, and the Board has complete confidence in the institution's future and direction. We have enduring mission clarity, a very strong Board, and a highly capable internal senior team with decades of collected Library experience—Abigail Altman, Nathalie Cousin, and Maisie Fieschi—who keep our momentum high every day along with a dedicated, talented staff. As we prepare for the search for our next Executive Director, we will build on the progress of Vision 2027 to attract an exceptional, values-driven leader who inspires and lifts our excellent team, unites people around a clear vision, executes strategy, and cultivates a flourishing culture at the Library and in the Franco-American community."

An interim leadership plan will take effect on I December 2025. The Board will provide an update on the leadership search this fall.

## About the American Library in Paris

The American Library in Paris is the largest English-language lending Library on the European continent, with a print collection of over 100,000 volumes. Since its establishment in 1920, the Library has been a meeting place for internationals and locals alike seeking to broaden their horizons and nurture their imagination. Every year, hundreds of events, lectures, and workshops bring together leaders in literature, arts, politics, and philosophy at the Library. Through its fellowships and social impact programs, the Library also supports emerging artists and young writers in their creative pursuits.

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