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THE AMERICAN LIBRARY IN PARIS ANNOUNCES THE DE GROOT VISITING FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The American Library in Paris is pleased to announce the establishment of The de Groot Visiting Fellowship Program, made possible through the generosity of Clydette and Charles de Groot.

PARIS, FRANCE. Building on the Library's longstanding Visiting Fellowship and Scholars of Note programs, The de Groot Visiting Fellowship Program will continue to **support writers, thinkers, and scholars across disciplines** who advance dialogue, creativity, and cross-cultural understanding. Each year, the program will underwrite **two Visiting Fellows** and **three Scholars of Note**, providing support that enables recipients to immerse themselves in the Library's vibrant intellectual community.

Clydette de Groot, who serves on the Library's fellowship selection committee, has been instrumental in shaping the Library's Fellowship program since its inception in 2013. Her vision and sustained commitment to creative exchange have guided the program's evolution from its early beginnings to this new named fellowship.

"The Library has always been a place where ideas travel freely and voices connect across borders," say the de Groots. "This fellowship continues that tradition by creating space for reflection, research, and human connection."

Executive Director Audrey Chapuis noted, "The de Groot Visiting Fellowship Program represents both continuity and growth—a testament to the de Groots' faith in the Library's mission and the power of literature to bridge cultures."

The de Groot Visiting Fellowship Program will launch in 2026, with applications opening in early spring 2026.

For more information on the Library's Visiting Fellowship and Scholars of Note programs, please visit <https://americanlibraryinparis.org/visitingfellowship/>.

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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