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Library Events at a Glance

Tuesday 22 January 19h30

[Panel discussion on "Gilets Jaunes, Inequality, and the Future of Politics in France"](#)

Wednesday 23 January 19h30

[Thierry Lequerc on "The Energy Chaos: Is There a Way Out?"](#)

Saturday 26 January 15h00

[Winter Wonderland](#)

Tuesday 29 January 19h30

[Xiaolu Guo in conversation with Catherine Olien](#)

Wednesday 30 January 19h30

[Alan Govenar on Anne Morgan: Photography, Philanthropy, and Advocacy](#)

All evening events at the Library are free and open to the public unless otherwise stated. We are grateful to GRoW @ Annenberg at the Annenberg Foundation for its continuing support of Evenings with an Author. Programs dates and speakers are subject to change. Please check the Programs Calendar for updates.

Doors open at 19h00 for evening events.

Library events: Gilets Jaunes, the Energy Crisis, and Arts Advocacy

Members of the American Library in Paris are avid readers. And although reading is a solitary activity (unless you're reading out loud to rapt listeners), there are many ways to engage with others at the Library. Our evening events this month highlight the climate and political challenges we face.

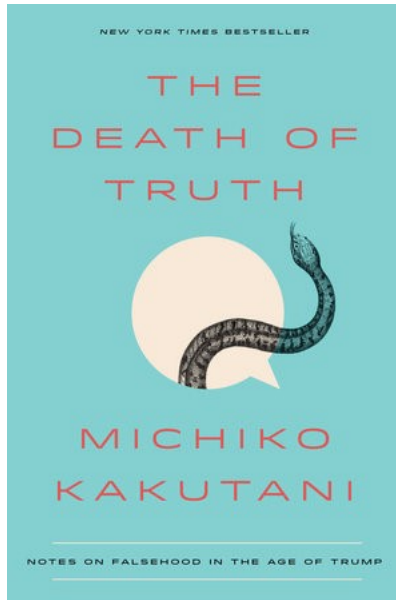
On [Tuesday 22 January](#), the Library will host a panel discussion on the Gilets Jaunes movement, inequality, and the future of politics in France with journalists Sophie Peder (*The Economist*), Adam Nossiter (*The New York Times*), Marc-Olivier Bherer (*Le Monde*), and moderated by Karina Piser (*Institute of Current World Affairs*).

On [Wednesday 23 January](#), Thierry Lequerc will discuss, in French, the challenges of energy today and offer insights on mass-solutions in "Energy Chaos: Is There a Way Out?" in partnership with MIT Club de France and INSEAD Energy Club.

On [Tuesday 29 January](#), Chinese British author and filmmaker Xiaolu Guo will be in conversation with programs coordinator Catherine Olien about her autobiography *Nine Continents: A Memoir In and Out of China*. On [Wednesday 30 January](#), writer, playwright, and filmmaker Alan Govenar will talk about the career and life of Anne Morgan, who co-founded the Committee for Devastated France (CARD) with physician Anne Murray Dike.

Library Book Groups

There is still space remaining in several of our [Library Book Groups](#) and we're delighted to announce another brand new book group that will begin meeting in February. There is no additional fee for the book groups, but you must be a Library member to participate. Space is limited. To sign up for a group, please send an email (with your membership number) to programs@americanlibraryinparis.org.



Analyzing Michiko Kakutani's *The Death of Truth*

Led by: Ronald Gerard Smith

Description: In light of the fact that the notion of truth – essential to civilization and culture e.g. in society, being able to problem-solve; in business, to fairly transact; in nature, to understand; in art, to determine worth, like libraries, etc. – is under attack from many quarters (and some people are doubtful of the idea to begin with), we will consider Michiko Kakutani's recent polemic *The Death of Truth* over three Thursdays. Kakutani is the former chief book critic for *The New York Times*.

Dates: All meetings will be at 18h00 on Thursdays (21 February, 21 March, and 11 April)

Apply now for the Visiting Fellowship



The Library is now accepting applications for Fall 2019 and Spring 2020 Visiting Fellows.

The fellowship offers writers and researchers an opportunity to pursue a creative project in Paris for a month or longer while participating actively in the life of the American Library. Applicants should be working on a book project, fiction or non-fiction, or a feature-length documentary film, that contributes to cross-cultural discourse. Particular attention will be paid to an applicant's ability to offer the Library community a variety of opportunities for exploring a topic. In addition to the stipend, the Library will connect the fellow to resources and individuals in Paris that could be helpful to his

or her project. The fellowship is open to all nationalities, though the proposed project must be in English.

Please see the [Library website](#) for further details.

This application cycle will close on 15 February 2019.

January Culture Picks by Mike Duffy



This month's Culture Picks by volunteer Mike Duffy highlight two very different 19th century approaches to life along with an exhibition tracing 5,000 years of art and design in Latin America. The art-for-art's sake, mystical loner Fernand Khnopff is featured in a comprehensive show at the Petit Palais, while the Nadars, a family of entrepreneurial, technical experimenters in photography, appear in an outstanding presentation at the Bibliothèque Nationale François Mitterrand. At the Fondation Cartier, *Southern Geometries* brings a wide range of artworks, from several thousand years ago to several weeks ago, including pottery, painting, prints, textiles and more all employing geometric designs in a lively, cheerful, color filled display.

To read the full post on Mike's January Culture Picks, click [here](#).

From Conflict to Collaboration workshop for parents

Do you ever feel frustrated with your child/teen? Find yourself shouting and imposing consequences in reaction to challenging behavior but it doesn't often work? Imagine having a simple framework that guides you in every parenting challenge and brings out the best in both you and your child. On [Saturday 2 February](#) at 16h30, join parenting coach Karen Kraut for an overview of the Collaborative Problem Solving approach, which gives parents concrete tools to relate better to their kids, reduce their challenging behavior, and build their skills in self-regulation, communication and problem-solving.

Participants of this workshop may sign up for a three-part follow-up series of workshops with Karen on Wednesdays 6, 13, and 20 February from 18h30-20h30. This workshop is recommended for parents of children and teens ages 3-18. [Sign-up is required](#).

Winter Wonderland for all ages

The Library's Winter Wonderland will be held on Saturday 26 January from 15h00-17h00 with music, stories, winter crafts and games for all ages, followed by a visit from Frosty the Snowman and other wonderful guests!



Each child will go home with a special winter treat courtesy of the Library.

Light refreshments will be provided and no advance registration is required. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Teen Events (ages 12-18)



Pitch Perfect with Georgia Gray and Rock U.

Friday 1 February 19h00-21h00

Learn how to sing "Cups," from the movie *Pitch*



The Long Game of Short Work: Getting Your Writing Published

Friday 15 February 19h00-21h00

The road to a published novel or memoir often

Perfect, but with added harmonies and rhythms. Georgia will teach the vocal parts while Matt works on percussion with those who would prefer not to sing. [Sign-up is required](#).



Teen Writing Group (FULL)

Saturday 15 February 17h00-18h30

Experienced writers and amateurs are all welcome to join these meetings, share their work and get to know other writers in our community. Some Teen Writing Group meetings are led by group members, others by guest hosts.



Teen Advisory Group

Applications due by Tuesday 5 February

We will be accepting a new member (ages 12-18) to join the Library's Teen Advisory Group beginning in March. Members of this group are asked to read widely and offer opinions on new books that we are considering adding to our collection. Applications are due by 5 February at 17h00. Find out more about how to [apply here](#).

begins with the publication of short prose. Claire Polders will talk teens through the submission process, dealing with rejection, promoting your work online, and finding your place in the writers' community. [Sign-up is required](#).



Young Writers Literary Club (FULL)

Saturday 16 February 10h30-12h00

These workshops hosted by Laura Hershey will be a combination of lessons, exercises, games and group discussions to introduce students to the literary greats of English-language literature. Each month, we will cover a different author, genre, or time period as we explore the richness and diversity of literature.

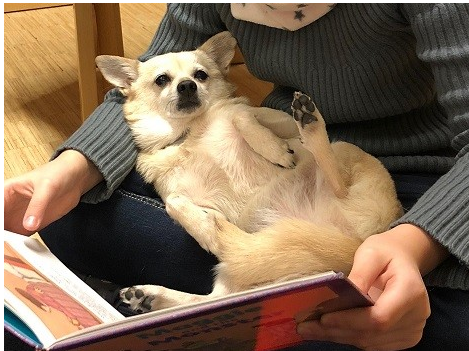


The Art of the Novel with Donna Cooner and Katherine Longshore

Friday 1 March 19h00-21h00

Join two novelists for a creative writing workshop dedicated to helping you improve your craft. The two will join forces and share tips with teen writers during this two-hour evening workshop. Young adult authors [Donna Cooner](#) and [Katherine Longshore](#) will share a candid look inside their paths to publication in this interactive presentation. [Sign-up is required](#).

Children's Events (ages 0-12)



Lady the Reading Dog (ages 6+)

22 January 16h30-18h00

The Library will be welcoming Lady the Reading Dog for a very special event this month. Lady is a vet approved reading dog, and she absolutely loves to read! Reading to a dog helps children relax into reading, open up, try harder and have fun! Children who would like to come in and read to Lady must sign up in advance for a 15 minute slot. [Sign-up is required.](#)



DIY Valentines! (ages 6-10)

9 February 15h00-16h30

Join us for a reading of Valentine's Day stories, then use the materials provided to make Valentine's Day cards for your friends and family! We'll have all the supplies you need to create homemade Valentines for all of the special people in your life. No sign-up is required.

And always... Story Hour and Toddler Time



Wednesday Story Hour (ages 3-5)

10h30 and 14h30

The Story Hour takes place at 10h30 and 14h30 every Wednesday. Please check the [Library website](#) for the full schedule and details. No sign-up is necessary!

Toddler Time (ages 1-3)

24 January and 7, 21 February

10h30-11h00 and 17h00-17h30

Our Toddler Time is for children ages 1-3 and their guardians. The program lasts 30 minutes and features songs, hand-rhymes and short stories in English. [Sign-up is required.](#)

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

Find out how to [become a member.](#)

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