

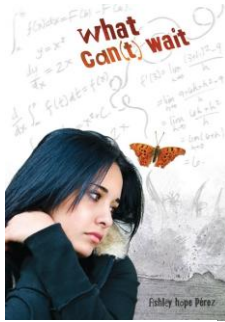
# Creative Writing

with author **Ashley Perez**

Friday 4 May from 19h00-21h00

Ages 12+

Ever wonder where writers find their ideas? Join author **Ashley Hope Pérez** for an evening of book talk, secrets, and writing. Ashley will describe the inspirations for her YA novels, *The Knife and the Butterfly*, and *What Can't Wait* and dish up some of her tricks for finding the seeds of stories. She'll also share how a book nerd can write from a gang member's point of view and other strategies from her writer's toolbox. Bring a pen and a sense of adventure.



"Writing both makes me crazy and keeps me sane. 90% of the time it feels like hard, hard work, but the other 10% of the time is so exciting I couldn't do without it." Learn more about Ashley Hope Pérez on her website :

[www.ashleyperez.com](http://www.ashleyperez.com)

**Registration is required for this event as space is limited.**

**For most teen events space is limited and sign-up is required.**

Email Celeste, the youth librarian, to sign up:

[rhoads@americanlibraryinparis.org](mailto:rhoads@americanlibraryinparis.org)

or call the Library to reserve. Unless otherwise stated, all programs are free for Library members and 10€ for non-members.

**Coming up in June**

**For Ages 12+....**

## When Paintbrush

### Meets Page

with **Heather Hartley**

Friday 1 June from 19h00-21h00

Sometimes, only a word or an image alone isn't quite enough to express an idea, dream or thought. The exploration of two different art forms merged into one is often called ekphrasis, a word of Greek origin, originally meaning to recount and to describe. This is what we will explore and discover on our own blank pages.

Taking our cue from writers and artists such as Picasso, Rimbaud, René Char and Jean Arp, we will invent our own ekphrastic creations...

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## A Two-Part Workshop with Pedro de Alcantara

Saturday 9 June & Saturday 16 June  
from 19h00-21h00

**Pedro de Alcantara** is the author of two novels for young readers, *Befuddled* and *Backtracked*, as well as several works of nonfiction for adults. Pedro is also a musician. Not that you'd know it from the sounds he makes.

To learn more about Pedro and his books, visit [www.pedrodealcantara.com](http://www.pedrodealcantara.com)

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# Teen Programs



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**Opening Hours:** Tuesday-Saturday 10h-19h  
and Sundays 13h-19h

**The Library will be closed on Tuesday 1 May,  
Tuesday 8 May and Thursday 17 May**

# An Evening of



Friday 25 May from 19h00-21h00  
Ages 12+

Come join in an evening of **theatre games** and **team improvisation**.

Have fun with some classic **acting warm-ups** (improvisations) that will help spark **the spirit of creativity** and get us thinking on our feet. We'll work together in small and large groups and have some laughs too.

The evening will end with a **friendly team competition**.

**Registration is required for this event as space is limited.**

## Upcycle It!

An art contest for ages 12-18

**DEADLINE: 5 May 2012**

Take something used to create a piece of **cool, new art**. Other mediums like paint or markers may be used as well, but the art must be based on **recycled materials**. (Check out this chair, made by teen Library member Alana Juric out of a book that was found in the trash, old cardboard and soda bottles).



Submit your original art (or a photo of your art) to the youth librarian by **midnight on Saturday 5 May**.

**Check the Library website for more details and submission guidelines**

# EXPRESS YOURSELF

## TAG

(Teen Advisory Group)

**Next Meeting:**

**Saturday 19 May from 16h-17h  
on the Teen Mezzanine**

**Ages 12+**

Want to have **more input** in the Library community? TAG team members are responsible for:

Suggesting teen **activities** for teen nights  
Suggesting **books** for book groups  
**Recommending** books, CDs and magazines for the Young Adult collection

The American Library in Paris invites **Teens ages 12–18** to join us for the next **Teen Advisory Group (TAG)** meeting. Come in and discuss what you want/need/have to have at the library and get to know other community members your age.

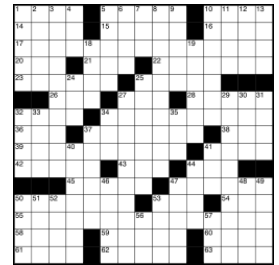
**Snacks will be provided!**

Email Celeste, the youth librarian for more info, or just drop in for the meeting on **Saturday, 19 May from 16h00-17h00**.

# Writing from Your ♥

A writing workshop with Jane Mobbille  
Friday 11 May from 19h00-21h00  
Ages 12+

Join us for an evening dedicated to your life's most precious nuggets. Experience how interactive writing can lead to **both creativity and personal discovery**. For this workshop we'll be creating **original crossword puzzles** in addition to writing about our own real-life experiences.



**Jane Mobbille** is a writer, pianist and **certified life coach**. In addition to her coaching practice, she has taught **Writing for Charisma** at HEC Paris, and runs “self-coaching through writing” workshops on both sides of the Atlantic for teens as well as adults.

She is currently completing a book whose working title is **Writing your Learning Memoirs** – both a self-development guide and a collection of her own learning.

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