Library Design for User Needs: continuity & innovation

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Bibliotecha Alexandrina
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Evolving concepts of libraries - continuity & innovation

- Library as living room
- Mediatheque
- Idea Store
- Learning Resource Centers
- Athenaeum/Mouseion
- Learning Commons/joint use facilities
Design themes and user needs

1. Symbolic significance
2. Cultural & community centers
3. Warmth, light, comfort, functionality
4. Learning spaces
   - Collaboration and content creation
   - Reference and information commons
   - Learning Commons
     • Joint use facilities
     • coordinated curricular support
1. Symbolic significance

- Make an architectural statement
- Reflect:
  - institutional values
  - community identity
  - uniqueness of a campus, a locale, a region
Centre Pompidou, Paris
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Rotterdam Public Library
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University of Thessaly, Main Library
Biblioteca UNED, Madrid
Cerritos Library, Los Angeles
Concierge
Cerritos Library, Los Angeles
Teen Area
Cerritos Library, Los Angeles
Adult Nonfiction
Cerritos Library, Los Angeles
2. Cultural and community centers

- Cultural events
- Art and exhibitions
- Agents in community building
  - Gathering spaces, social spaces
  - Cafes
  - Joint use facilities
Oslo University of Arts and Sciences Library
GALLERI SVERDRUP
Amstelveen Public Library and Art Lending Center, Netherlands
Vancouver Public Library, B.C.
Rotterdam - moveable shelves
Rotterdam Public Library
Library 10, Helsinki Recording Studios
Charter House, Copenhagen
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3. Warmth, light, comfort, & functionality

- High ceilings, natural light
- High design and finishes
- Design for comfort and sociability
- Comfortable furniture
- Cafes
- Outdoor spaces
Amstelveen Public Library and Art Lending Center, Netherlands
Seattle Public Library, Rem Koolhaus
Charter House, Copenhagen
Agnes Scott College Library, Georgia
4. Learning spaces

4.1 Collaboration and content creation

4.2 Reference and information commons

4.3 Learning Commons
   4.3.1 Coordinated curricular support
   4.3.2 Joint use facilities
Collaboration and Content Creation
Wednesday, Mar. 29, 2006:
The library is open from 8 a.m. to 12 Midnight today.

Make reservations at library.bentley.edu

Touchscreens outside rooms can be used for impromptu meetings. If your meeting ends early, please touch "End" on the touchscreen to free up the room.

Groups take priority in Group Study Rooms. Individuals using them will be asked to leave if a group needs to use the room.
Reference and Information Commons
Learning Commons

Coordinated curricular support

Joint use facilities
Dartmouth College, Baker Library
JONES MEDIA CENTER
Rwit Hours
By Appointment
For more info, visit wau.dartmouth.edu/rwit

Rwit
The Student Center for Research, Writing, and Information Technology

Dartmouth College, Baker Library
Trinity University, TX, USA
Kinko’s business services center in the library
San Jose State University and Public Library
Bibliotecha Alexandrina
The End
Georgia Tech (USA) Seminar/Study Room
Wellesley College Library
Rhodes College Reference/Info Commons furniture
Emerging elements of the learning commons

- Collaborative spaces/group study
- Reference spaces
- Information commons
- Gathering spaces
- Service partnerships and co-locations
Co-locations and Emerging Partnerships
FIRST LEVEL

Academic Computing 179
Access to Baker
Access to Stack Levels 1-6, A-C
Circulation
Computer Sales and Service 171
Computing Help Desk
Current Periodicals Room 105
Exit Library- Access to Berry Ground & Lower Level
Faculty Academic Computing Center 178
Information Desk
Interlibrary Loan/Document Delivery 182
Media Production 178A-C
Research and Instruction Services 180
News Center 184
Rhodes College

Digital Media Lab Hours

Monday: 8:00 am to Midnight
Tuesday: 8:00 am to Midnight
Wednesday: 8:00 am to Midnight
Thursday: 8:00 am to Midnight
Friday: 8:00 am to 6:00 pm
Saturday: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sunday: 1:00 pm to Midnight

If you have a question or need to schedule an appointment, contact the helpdesk at x8500 or e-mail desk@rhodes.edu

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[Event Schedule Details]
San José State University and Public Library
San Jose State University and Public Library
Agnes Scott College Media Services
Culinary Institute of America Library
Middlebury College Library

225 Center for Teaching, Learning, and Research

Welcome

Center is open:

Monday – Thursday: 8 AM – Midnight
Friday: 8 AM – 5 PM
Sunday: 7 PM – Midnight
Middlebury College Library

132 Cowperthwait Educational Technology Lab

Alex Chapin
Adam Franco
Wilson Café
Hours of Operation

Monday – Thursday
7:30 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Friday
7:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Saturday
Closed

Sunday
10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Trinity College, CT

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Maria Montzolis
Modern Languages
Vancouver Public Library, B.C.
traffic jam
Vancouver Public Library, B.C.
staff gym
Collaborative learning:

- group work
- reference spaces
- information commons
- learning commons
Seattle Public Library, Rem Koolhaas

the norcliffe foundation living room
Seattle Public Library, Rem Koolhaus
LANDSCAPES/OUTDOOR READING
Who will be Tisch Library's 5 millionth visitor since its 1996 opening? ....find out today!!!