

Exhibits and Bulletin Boards

Policy 1.10

I. Exhibits

- A. Library-sponsored Exhibits. The Library displays exhibits of art and other cultural or informational materials in keeping with its mission. These displays, and those created by the Friends of the Hyde Park Free Library, have priority for display space.
- B. Community Exhibits. The Library welcomes proposals for exhibits by persons or groups in the community.
1. Criteria.
 - a. Displays should be of an educational, informational, civic, historic, artistic or cultural nature.
 - b. The Library Director will accept or reject exhibit proposals based on their conformity with these content criteria.
 2. Application Form. Proposals should be described on the Exhibits and Displays Application Form (Form #2) and submitted to the Library Director.
- C. Risk. The Library's insurance provides limited coverage for works and materials in its care. Exhibitors will sign and submit an Exhibits and Displays Release Form (Form #3).

II. Bulletin Board Postings and Pamphlet Rack

Hyde Park Library will make available bulletin board and materials display spaces to fulfill its role as a source of community information. Space is available under the following conditions:

1. Items displayed are restricted to regional cultural / educational events, legal notices, or announcements from local non-profit groups.
2. Advertised events should occur within 45 days.
3. The library director or designee must approve all posters, flyers, and other such materials. Final determination on the display of materials will be determined by the library director in keeping with the library's role as a source of community information.
4. The library will be allowed to retain copies of any materials posted or placed in the library for distribution.
5. Certain restrictions apply to the materials which are displayed. Disallowed materials are those that do not fit within the library's role as a source of community information or are inconsistent with our mission statement, including, but not limited to:
 - partisan political material

- petitions
- solicitations / or items for sale
- surveys
- proselytizing materials

The library will not be responsible in any fashion or manner for any materials permitted to be displayed under this policy.

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