

Library Display and Exhibit Policy

Siuslaw Public Library District provides displays and exhibits in the library to highlight the library's collection and offer educational opportunities to the public.

Selection of Displays

Library displays are planned, organized, and/or implemented by library staff. Library staff use the following criteria in making decisions about display or exhibit topics, materials, and accompanying resources:

- Community needs and interest
- Availability of display space
- Historic or educational significance
- Connection to community or national programs, exhibitions, or events
- Relation to library collections, resources, exhibits, and programs
- Designated heritage months and other seasonal topics

The library may also draw upon community resources in developing displays and exhibits, and may collaborate with other agencies, organizations, educational institutions, or individuals to develop and present co-sponsored displays and exhibits.

Library staff strive to include a wide spectrum of opinions and viewpoints in library-initiated displays and exhibits, as well as offer displays and exhibits that appeal to a range of ages, interests, and information needs. Library-initiated displays and exhibits do not exclude topics, books, media, and other resources solely because they may be considered controversial. Acceptance of a display or exhibit topic does not constitute an endorsement by Siuslaw Public Library District of the content of the display or exhibit, or of the views expressed in materials on display.

Library staff accept suggestions for display topics, but topic and material selection is at the discretion of the library staff, and ultimately, the library director.

Questions and Concerns

The Siuslaw Public Library District welcomes expressions of opinion from patrons concerning library exhibits and displays. Questions or concerns should first be addressed with a library staff member. Patrons who wish to continue their request for review should access the Request for Reconsideration of a Library Service Policy and Form.

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