

Exhibit Policy

The library supports its mission of inspiring lifelong discovery, facilitating collaboration, and connecting people with resources by hosting exhibits that provide additional opportunities for learning and engagement.

The library's staff use the following criteria in making decisions about exhibits:

- Relation to the library's mission, collections, resources, programs, and art
- Relevance to community needs, interests, and issues
- Connection to other community programs, exhibitions, or events
- Historical or educational significance
- Availability of space
- Budget and staffing considerations

The library may partner with other community agencies, organizations, and educational and cultural institutions in presenting exhibits.

All library exhibits are open to the public. Library sponsorship of an exhibit does not constitute an endorsement of the content of the exhibit. Exhibits are not used for commercial, religious, or partisan purposes, or for the solicitation of business. Items may not be directly sold through the exhibit until special permission is granted by the library Director.

External organizations or individuals partnering with the library for exhibits must coordinate marketing efforts with the library's Communications Department.

The Carmel Clay Public Library welcomes expressions of opinion from patrons concerning exhibits. If a patron questions an exhibit, they should first address the concern with a library staff member. Patrons who wish to continue their request for review of an exhibit may submit the Request for Reconsideration form. Requests for

review of exhibits will be considered in the same manner as requests for reconsideration of library materials as outlined in the library's <u>Collection</u> <u>Development Policy</u>.

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