



805 Display Policy

See also related policy: 808 Art Advisory Committee Policy

805.1. The purpose of the Library's display facilities is to fulfill the Library's mission and increase awareness of Library resources. The Library provides limited display facilities for public use. Other spaces are available for Library or co-sponsored display use. Exhibits using these facilities shall further one or more of these purposes:

- A. To call attention to a theme related to Library services, collections, or programs.
- B. To bring together Library materials from several subject areas related to a theme of current interest.
- C. To highlight current issues, events, or other subjects of public interest.
- D. To display original art, crafts, photographs, or writings created by Iowa artists or contained in traveling exhibits.
- E. To explain the activities of, or issues of interest to, local organizations and agencies engaged in educational, recreational, cultural, intellectual, or charitable activities.
- F. To display interesting collections or hobbies of local residents.

805.2 The Library assumes no responsibility for theft, loss, damage, or destruction of items left for display.

805.3 All displays must meet existing State and Federal laws on obscenity, libel, defamation of character, or invasion of privacy.

805.4 The Library does not accept responsibility for ensuring that all points of view are represented in any single display. Granting of permission to display materials does not imply Library endorsement of content, nor will the Library accept responsibility for the accuracy of statements made in such materials.

805.5 The Library reserves the right to refuse display space to exhibits which, in its opinion, do not further the purpose in Section 805.1.

805.6 Library-produced or solicited displays have priority over displays proposed by non-Library groups or individuals. Priority for displays is given to groups and individuals within Johnson County.

805.7 Public requests for displays of original art must be submitted for approval. The Art Advisory Committee may be consulted for questions related to public requests to display original artwork.

805.8 Sale of anything other than items which promote the mission or goals of the Iowa City Public Library is prohibited. Library display space may not be used as a sales gallery.

805.9 Name and contact information for the group or individual preparing the display must be a part of the display.

805.10 The Library may designate spaces for particular types of displays to make best use of display units and/or to make accessible to the intended audience.

805.11 All displays must adhere to established guidelines for mounting.

805.12 A single group or individual is limited to a single one-month display in a twelve-month period. Library staff may remove displays remaining past the scheduled end date.

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