

It is the policy of the Basalt Regional Library District (BRLD) to provide displays and exhibits which enhance the Library's responsive connection between the community's needs, its collections, its technology, and the diverse programming it provides.

## **GENERAL DISPLAY CRITERIA:**

Library displays are planned, organized, and implemented by Library staff using the following criteria to make decisions about display topics, materials, and accompanying resources:

- Community needs and interest,
- Availability of display space,
- Historical or educational significance,
- Connection to other community or national programs, exhibitions, or events,
- Relation to Library collections, resources, exhibits, and programs, and
- Needs and interests of Library partners within the community.

#### **GENERAL DISPLAY GUIDELINES:**

- Displays include a wide spectrum of opinions and viewpoints.
- BRLD offers displays and exhibits that appeal to a range of ages, interests, and information needs.
- BRLD does not accept responsibility for ensuring that all points of view are represented in any single display.
- Displays should not exclude topics, books, media, and other resources solely because they may be considered to be controversial.
- Acceptance of a display or exhibit topic by BRLD does not constitute an endorsement by BRLD of the content of the display or exhibit, or of the views expressed in materials on display.
- BRLD assumes no responsibility for the safety, preservation, or protection of materials, and materials may be disposed of by Library staff as needed.
- The planning and scheduling of such displays and the decision as to which materials will be included is entirely at the discretion of Library staff.
- All material must include the name and contact information of the organization or individual.
- Postings may not be publicized in a manner that suggests BRLD sponsorship, endorsement, or affiliation.
- Any act to exercise censorship and/or to restrict the freedom of others to obtain such resources may result in loss of Library privileges.

# **COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD & BROCHURE RACK:**

- This display is located in the entrance lobby.
- Postings may not exceed 11"x17" in size, and postings that are 8-1/2"x11" are preferred.
- Space for community postings is provided on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Postings not related to a specific event or series of events may be removed after two weeks to ensure that bulletin board space is available to as many events as possible.
- Only one posting per group, individual, or event is permitted on the public bulletin board at any one time.

#### **LOBBY ART CASE**

- This display is located in the entrance lobby and features art of and by members of the community and region.
- BRLD approaches artists to request collaboration, and also welcomes artists to reach out to request collaboration.
- The artist chooses the pieces they would like to display, BRLD does not curate the collection
- The scope and quantity of art pieces should fit the space.
- This display is updated approximately every two months and is scheduled in advance.
- Artists may put their contact information in the case; however, prices for items on display may not be posted.

## **MAIN LIBRARY ART DISPLAY**

- This display is located on the walls of the main Library.
- Due to the location of this display and difficulty of installation, these pieces remain in the Library for a minimum of six months.
- This available wall space is high off the ground, and as such, the pieces should be large enough to be seen, and still fit the space.
- These pieces are installed by a Library contractor.
- This display is curated by BRLD in collaboration with the artist.
- This display is scheduled in advance.

## LIBRARY COLLECTION DISPLAYS

These displays:

- Are located throughout the Library,
- Contain materials from the Library collection on a variety of topics,
- Appeal to the diverse interests and concerns of the community, and
- Complement Library collections and services.

# **REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION:**

Any resident of the BRLD has the right to request reconsideration of any portion of this Display Policy or how BRLD implements this policy. Appeals to this policy or reconsideration of its implementation may be submitted via the Request for Reconsideration form.

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