

Guided Tour of Library Space: A Planning Resource for Librarian

Chat transcript - 12/10/2020

Note: the timings listed here are off, because we started the recording several minutes into the session.

12:53:13 From Robin : Reno, NV
12:53:33 From Delwyn : HI, I'm Delwyn from VA
12:57:07 From Lan Ying Ip to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : are you recording this ?
12:57:25 From Aida Gennis : hi Andrea & Lauren, thank you for hosting this!
12:58:02 From Delwyn : We are open
12:58:18 From Kristin Smith, Richmond : Richmond is open by appointment.
12:58:22 From Kirsten Brodbeck-Kenney : Just curbside here in Lincoln City, OR.
12:58:26 From Cotuit Library : Still open in Cotuit
12:58:30 From Kirsten Brodbeck-Kenney : We were doing computer time by appointment, but our numbers have really surged.
12:58:32 From Aida Gennis : We are open, but to a very limited number and by appointment
12:59:09 From Robin : We opened for holds pick up but closed as numbers surged again
13:00:20 From Kirsten Brodbeck-Kenney, Lincoln City OR : I feel really lucky -- my administration has been AMAZING
13:01:17 From Jean Canosa Albano : We have not opened to the public besides curbside and won't anytime soon.
13:01:52 From Ben G. Carter : Same for Georgia -- we share the same Federal-level questions but we had over 100 state-driven questions for FY2020.
13:02:21 From Jean Canosa Albano : Welcome!!
13:02:53 From Stacie Kaneshige : Aloha Kakahiaka from Hawaii
13:02:54 From Ben G. Carter : Hi, everyone! I'm an Assistant State Librarian from Georgia and work with our Library Planning & Construction consultant. Thanks for letting us join in!
13:03:31 From Florida Public : Hi this is Katherine Richter from Florida Public Library in the Berkshires
13:03:38 From Jessica Dube: Cotuit Library : Jessica Rudden-Dube Cotuit Library
13:03:48 From Anna Popp : Anna Popp, Consultant, Massachusetts Library System
13:03:49 From Kirsten Brodbeck-Kenney, Lincoln City OR : Kirsten Brodbeck-Kenney, director of Driftwood Public Library in Lincoln City, OR
13:03:52 From Greg Peverill-Conti : Greg Peverill-Conti, Library Land Project
13:03:53 From Adam Zand : Adam Zand, President, Library Land Project
13:03:54 From Winslow Library : Brandee Leary - Winslow Public Library in Arizona (yes, like the Eagles song)
13:03:58 From Mary Anne Antonellis : Mary Anne Antonellis, Shutesbury, Massachusetts
13:04:01 From Kirsten Brodbeck-Kenney, Lincoln City OR : lol, Brandee
13:04:03 From Maureen Amyot : Hi! Maureen Amyot from Westborough Public Library in MA
13:04:04 From Meredith to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : Meredith Causey - Forsyth County Public Library, Cumming, Georgia
13:04:06 From Patty DiTullio : Patty DiTullio, Ipswich (MA) Public Library
13:04:11 From jbenedict : Jenny Benedict, Director, Gloucester Lyceum and Sawyer Free Library
13:04:11 From Katie McDonough-DE Div of Libraries : Katie McDonough - Delaware Division of Libraries (State Library) - one of two library building consultants
13:04:11 From Mandy Simon, Ohio : Hello, I'm Mandy Simon, Library Programs and Development Consultant at The State Library of Ohio.
13:04:12 From Robert Pillow : Robert Pillow, Virginia Tech

13:04:12 From Karen Stolfer : Karen Stolfer from Hanson
13:04:12 From Kathleen Hibbert- Seekonk, MA : Kathleen Hibbert, Seekonk, MA
13:04:14 From Charlotte Minasian : Charlotte from Manchester-by-the-Sea Public Library(Massachusetts)
13:04:15 From Ellen Rainville, J. V. Fletcher Library, Westford : Ellen Rainville, J. V. Fletcher Library, Westford MA
13:04:17 From ako nsog : Greetings from Buffalo, where our central library from 1960 looks like the box all the branch libraries came in. #GoBills
13:04:18 From Sharon Kelleher : Sharon Kelleher from North Reading
13:04:20 From Delwyn : Delwyn Elizabeth, Prince William County, VA
13:04:21 From Jean Canosa Albano : Jean Canosa Albano from Springfield (MA) City Library
13:04:22 From Mary Beckett : Mary Beckett from the Edythe Dyer Community Library, in Hampden Maine
13:04:24 From Rebecca Morin : Rebecca Morin, Worcester Art Museum Library (MA)
13:04:32 From Jo Anna Rohrbaugh : Jo Anna Rohrbaugh, Joyner Library, East Carolina University. I'm a Master of Library program student at ECU.
13:04:35 From Mary Braney : Mary Braney Library Consultant, Spencer, Massachusetts
13:04:36 From John Thompson : John Thompson, IFLS Library System, Eau Claire, Wisconsin
13:04:38 From Kirsten Brodbeck-Kenney, Lincoln City OR : lol
13:04:52 From Sean Noel : Sean Noel, mea culpa, not a public librarian, but from Boston University's library. Part of my duties now include handling the COVID remediation (signage, de-densification, etc). was excited to see this presentation; thank you!
13:05:08 From Sara Collins, Manchester Library : Sara Collins from Manchester by the Sea Public Library
13:05:09 From Chris Smith : Chris Smith, Jefferson-Madison Regional Library, Charlottesville, VA
13:05:33 From Christina Holmes : Christina Holmes - Blackwell Regional Library Children's Department Supervisor

13:05:33 From Kristin Smith, Richmond : Kristin Smith from Richmond Free Public Library
13:05:40 From Laurie Oltramari : Laurie Oltramari, Library Assistant, Richmond Memorial Library, Batavia, NY
13:05:46 From Jo Anna Rohrbaugh : Forgot to include "Science" in my introduction--sorry.
13:06:23 From Jane Cain : Lauren, Andrea - can you put up the link to the pdf?
13:06:47 From Jean Canosa Albano : <https://mblc.state.ma.us/programs-and-support/construction/files/Library-Space-Planning-Resource.pdf>
13:07:26 From Jane Cain : Thanks, so much!
13:11:23 From Anna Popp : Nice! Nice touch!
13:12:08 From Anna Popp : Knowing those sort of - professional-cultural cues can bring a lot of comfort to the process.
13:15:16 From Brad Foster - MN Spear, Shutesbury MA : Brad Foster, MN Spear Library, Shutesbury MA
13:26:09 From Lauren Stara to Meredith(Direct Message) : <https://mblc.state.ma.us/libraryspace>
<https://www.sasaki.com/projects/library-space-a-planning-resource-for-librarians>
<https://issuu.com/sasakiassociates/docs/library-space-planning-resource>
<https://www.buzzsprout.com/995062> (Building Literacy podcast)
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Lan Ying Ip / lyip@sasaki.com
13:26:34 From Sharon Bernard-Fitchburg, MA, she/her/hers : can you put up the slide with the addresses again?

13:26:37 From Lauren Stara : <https://mblc.state.ma.us/librarianspace>
<https://www.sasaki.com/projects/library-space-a-planning-resource-for-librarians>
<https://issuu.com/sasakiassociates/docs/library-space-planning-resource>
<https://www.buzzsprout.com/995062> (Building Literacy podcast)
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Lan Ying Ip / lyip@sasaki.com

13:27:11 From Winslow Library : do you offer consulting services? We're hoping to build an addition soon

13:27:38 From Winslow Library : Yes, Northern Arizona

13:28:19 From Laurie Oltramari : Has anyone else used lockers for pickup?

13:28:21 From Katie McDonough-DE Div of Libraries : Where is the pandemic addendum?

13:28:24 From Winslow Library : Great! What would be the best way to contact you?

13:28:30 From ako nsog : Since many libraries of a certain era are now over a half-century old, with significant issues with configuration, materials, mechanicals, has anyone done work on a decision tree to evaluate whether it makes sense to significantly invest in a particular legacy building, create a significant addition (where possible), or build new (on site or another site)?

13:28:41 From Sharon Kelleher : Is the addendum available?

13:28:43 From Patty DiTullio : Does the MBLC keep a list of consultants?

13:28:51 From Anna Popp : In terms of how pandemic considerations are changing things ---any reflection on staff spaces...they seem to be getting tighter over time.

13:29:08 From kcollins : Does this doc take the place of the older one (for MA) authored by Patience Jackson? And will there be a workbook to go along with this at some point?

13:29:13 From Brad Foster - MN Spear, Shutesbury MA : <https://mblc.state.ma.us/programs-and-support/construction/files/LibrarySpace-pandemic.pdf>

13:29:15 From Elise Burke - WLS : Were there anything that arose from this study that were unexpected in terms of "normal" thought for building planning?

13:29:40 From kcollins : YES to staff spaces, which are often undersized in the best of times. And storage space!

13:30:35 From Thea Hart (she/her) : We will be installing new holds lockers as part of our library remodel project (West Slope Community Library, small library west of Portland, Oregon): <http://www.westslopelibrary.org/library-remodel>

13:33:00 From Anna Popp : thank you

13:33:01 From Aida Gennis to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : is there a link to the Issues version of this document?

13:33:03 From Mary Anne Antonellis : Our post office has lockers for large parcels and never has a problem.

13:34:05 From Sean Noel : How are libraries approaching technology infrastructure in terms of renovation or new construction? Planning for 20 years of human use is difficult; planning for what technology will look like in the next five years seems impossible... Thank you.

13:35:13 From Aida Gennis : In Mass. is the aquifer protection bylaws a state or a community construct?

13:35:47 From Aida Gennis : I ask because our building and parking lot exceed the amount of coverage allowed by our local bylaw and wonder if there's a state aspect to this too

13:36:26 From Christine Edwins : At what point do you work with a consultant team vs. and architect? Does one come first or do they work together from the beginning?

13:37:06 From Aida Gennis to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : Lauren can you tell me later what those Carnegie libraries are that were modified/ taken down for new construction / modification?

13:37:12 From Brad Foster - MN Spear, Shutesbury MA : MBL website address:
<https://mblc.state.ma.us/programs-and-support/construction/librarianspace.php>

13:37:14 From Rebecca Morin : We're relocating the library to another space within the museum. Do you have any suggestions for which prototypes or guides to follow for libraries being built within an institution (ex: school libraries, corporate libraries, other special libraries)

13:38:17 From Anna Popp : AMEN!

13:38:46 From Anna Popp : And booktrucks are darned unwieldy!

13:38:57 From kcollins : Amen x 2! Staff are usually an afterthought, or nonfunctional, or ugly.

13:39:11 From John Thompson to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : Lauren--ALA linked to the Internet Wayback machine to access the Libris Design Documents
<http://web.archive.org/web/20091006082541/http://librisdesign.org/docs/index.html>

13:39:31 From kcollins : I mean staff spaces....whoops!

13:39:43 From Greg Peverill-Conti : The new Tufts Library in Weymouth seems to have done a great job with staff space

13:39:44 From Anna Popp : I was kind of wondering there, kcollins! lol

13:40:17 From G Stevens : I think that ongoing maintenance of our spaces is a huge issue as well

13:41:16 From Anna Popp to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : it's Charles bonenti - MUTE EM!

13:42:39 From Aida Gennis : when thinking of spaces within our buildings for our own communities and needing to prioritize spaces and services, is it something to consider to think about sharing services among 2 or 3 buildings in proximity to each other?

13:43:42 From Stacie Kaneshige : We are getting interest in transit oriented development in, do you see this as an ongoing trend or is it being phased out with public health considerations?

13:44:05 From Aida Gennis to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : Lauren, I'd like a copy of Patience's document, if you don't mind.

13:44:25 From Claire Hand to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : Hi Lauren, Would you please share the document with me. Thanks. Claire

13:44:58 From Claire Hand to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : My email address is handc@freelibrary.org

13:44:58 From Thea Hart (she/her) : As I mentioned, my library is in the middle of a remodel project. We have purchased some new shelving and some new seating, but at some point in the future (perhaps closer to when we have patrons able to gather in the building again) we will be purchasing new furniture for patron seating/programming space in amongst collections (we have a very small space). Can you point me to suggestions to consider before purchasing furniture, if any came out of this project?

13:49:15 From Ellen Rainville, J. V. Fletcher Library, Westford : Apologies - I have to be Greeter at 2pm. Looking forward to using this resource.

13:51:07 From Stacie Kaneshige : We are currently doing a x-small build in a rural area and embraced barn-chic and put power on tracks overhead.

13:51:25 From Christine Edwins : speaking of curbside; what do you think of "drive-thru"?

13:51:45 From Anna Popp : And old bank could be a useful branch!

13:53:14 From Donna Maturi to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : Thank you very much- I need to head to another meeting.

13:55:08 From Linda: Melrose : I need to head out. Thanks so much, I'm looking forward to looking more at this resource. Good to see you!

13:55:55 From Lauren Stara to Aida Gennis(Direct Message) : It was Webster

14:01:12 From Thea Hart (she/her) : I have to step away - thank you for the interesting session

14:02:29 From jbenedict : Great resource! Thank you so much.

14:04:19 From Jean Canosa Albano : Thanks, everyone! Stay safe.

14:04:40 From Aida Gennis to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : thank you Lauren, I have to leave to talk to the Town Administrator -thank you for answering my Q about splitting services among buildings - very timely response for my next conversation. Some wonder too if we could combine with eg Lincoln or another library to share services and collections.... I could use a better response than the folks of Lincoln don't want to combine with us... thoughts?

14:05:07 From Aida Gennis to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : Thanks again, Iâ€™d love to talk another day soon-ish?

14:05:36 From Aida Gennis : thank you, this is very helpful and look forward to reading the document.

14:08:21 From Sean Noel to Lauren Stara(Direct Message) : I must leave for another meeting. Thank you for the wonderful presentation. I look forward to digging in to the resources you have presented today. My only prior experience with the MBLC was working with Gregor Trinkhaus-Randall (rest his soul). Clearly the MBLC values expertise and passion in their employees! Thank you! Sean Noel, Boston University Libraries

14:10:27 From Alan Oberst (Buffalo) : Very interesting. Thank you, everyone!

14:11:01 From Stacie Kaneshige : We did a lot of wheeled flip tables and plastic chairs for disinfection. :)

14:13:01 From Anna Popp : Who wants to haul their library score on foot? Throw that 20lbs of books in the boot!

14:13:38 From Kathleen Hibbert- Seekonk, MA : Thank you - very informative!

14:13:52 From Anna Popp : Thank you. Excellent work.

14:14:01 From Rebecca Morin : Thank you! Really looking forward to digging into this resource

14:14:03 From Winslow Library : This was very helpful! Thank you!

14:14:06 From Lan Ying Ip : Thanks for all your input and questions!

14:14:13 From Christine Edwins : Thank you.

14:14:14 From Stacie Kaneshige : Great presentation! Lauren come back to Hawaii soon!

14:14:22 From Patty DiTullio : Thanks folks, this was great. :)

14:14:31 From Charlotte Minasian : Thank you. The information is valuable.

14:14:38 From Eileen Dyer - Swansea, MA : Thanks, L, A, LY, and M!

14:14:46 From Delwyn : Thank you.

14:14:58 From Sara Collins, Manchester Library : much appreciated, I think this document will be very helpful!

14:14:59 From Carol Witt, Barre (she/her) : Thank you!

14:15:00 From Claire Hand : Thank you.

14:15:01 From Greg Peverill-Conti : I just shared it with my MLIS program at the University of Alabama

14:15:08 From kathleen keenan : thanks

14:15:44 From kathleen keenan : 88