

Community Exhibits Policy

As part of its service to the community, the high point public library system provides exhibit facilities in specific areas for community groups, agencies, and organizations at both the library and the museum. At the library the designated areas are the lobby and its exhibit case and the community bulletin board; at the museum, the designated area is the lobby exhibit space.

Any exhibit shown in either facility must be for purposes consistent with the general objectives and goals of the system. These include communication of ideas, promotion of an enlightened citizenry, enrichment of personal life, and the general support of educational, cultural and civic activities of the community. Exhibits at the museum must also correspond with the museum's significant purposes of sharing greater high point's history, providing perspective on current issues, strengthening the sense of community, enhancing possibilities for learning and embracing greater High Point's history.

Because a group is permitted to have an exhibit at the library or museum does not constitute endorsement by the system of the group's beliefs, policies, or programs. Any materials exhibited, including any press releases announced before or following the exhibit, are subject to review and approval by the library system's staff. Such review and approval does not imply approval or endorsement of the exhibit. The library system reserves the right to post disclaimers with any exhibited material, and to refuse or remove any exhibit.

Exhibit Space

No fees are charged for use of the exhibit space, and groups using the exhibit space may not charge an admission or request donations, or in any way solicit funds. Exhibits may not disrupt the use of the library or museum by other persons viewing the exhibit and are subject to all library system regulations and policies. The library system assumes responsibility whatsoever for loss or damage of any part of an exhibit.

Reservation of the exhibit space must be made by an adult representative of the organization who, by making the reservation, agrees to be responsible for payment for repairs of any damage to library system property resulting from the exhibit. Access to the exhibit space will only be available during regular library or museum hours.

Exhibit Duration

Exhibits will be changed on a frequency determined by the library system's goals.

Public Community Bulletin Board

Items posted on the community bulletin board, such as upcoming events, meetings or available services must be of general interest. Events, meetings or services open only to members of a single group or organization do not meet the general interest requirement. Commercial use of the library's public bulletin board is not permitted. Any materials posted must be submitted to the library system staff prior to posting. Materials posted in the library without prior submission to the staff will be discarded. The director and staff are authorized by the board of trustees to develop

procedures to carry out these exhibit policies.

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