

QUICK FACTS

Library: 14,500 sq. ft.
 Building budget: \$9,635,000
 Public art budget: \$159,000
 Budget source: Nov. 2000 Library Bond
 Project Started: November 2006
 Project Completed: June 2008



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Hours: Mon., 2 p.m. – 7 p.m.; Tue. – Wed., 11 a.m. – 8 p.m.;
Thu. – Sat., 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; 24/7 at SJLibrary.org
Branch Manager: Keye Luke

FEATURES

Highlights of the new library include a Living Room with a fireplace, Tech Center, Group and Quiet Study Rooms, Teen Room, Story Time Area, and a Community Room that will accommodate 60 persons available from 8 a.m. – 11 p.m., as well as significantly more space for seating, collections and computers. Taken together with an increase from 5 to 25 Internet-capable computer workstations and free WiFi for customers' laptops, the capability for free public access to the Web is virtually limitless.

The branch features a **Community Health Information Center**, resulting from a unique collaboration between San José Public Library and PlaneTree Health Library made possible through the generosity of The Health Trust.

Public art at the new library was created by two artists, Masayuki Nagase and Lucy Liew. Masayuki's piece, *Where the Tree is Born*, is a seating element in the Community Room patio area, referencing the importance of trees as community gathering places. Local artist Lucy Liew creates a magical entrance to the Children's area and a special backdrop for the storytelling corner with *Tales of a Forest*.

Entrances from Empire Street and from the parking lot bring you into the vibrant Market Place of popular items such as media, new books, and music CDs. Community art pieces, including a tile mosaic mural picturing Joyce Ellington at age nine, a painting of the original Grant Elementary School and "School of Neighbors" from the 2001 SharkByte Project, further enhance the interior.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

The City of San José acknowledges and appreciates the generosity of numerous individuals and organizations that have supported the opening of the new Joyce Ellington Branch Library with their contributions.

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SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

After School Programs including help with homework for elementary school students

Books, Magazines and Media available in English, Spanish and Vietnamese

Group Study Area for six people

Join Friends of the Joyce Ellington Library to help present programs and raise funds for events

K-12 Class Visits can be arranged by calling the Library during open hours

Quiet Study Area for six people

Story Time two mornings a week and one evening

Tech Center with 25 Internet computer workstations

teensReach group each month

Volunteer Opportunities for tutors, readers, and people with interests to share with others

Wireless Network for personal laptops



Colorful displays of library materials invite casual browsing and combine with public and community art pieces to create a warm and inviting interior space.

ONGOING PROGRAMMING

Family Storytime – Stories, songs, finger plays and fun for children of all ages and their families

Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

Storytime – Stories, songs and activities for children under 6 years.

Fridays, 10:30 a.m.

Storytime – Stories, songs and fun for children any age.

Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

Spanish Bilingual Storytime – Hear stories, songs and rhymes in Spanish and English

*Third Tuesdays at 6:45 p.m.
starting July 15*

Teachers:

We would be glad to schedule class visits or tours. Please call (408) 808-3043 to arrange for a special visit.

NOTICE

To request an accommodation or alternative format for City-sponsored meetings, events or printed materials, please call 408-808-3043 or 408-808-2130 (TTY) as soon as possible, but at least three business days before the meeting/event.

UPCOMING – JULY 2008

Summer Reading Celebration—

Saturday, June 28 - Saturday, August 9



Adult Summer Reading Program "Savor the Summer"



Special Summer Reading Programs—

Thursday, July 17, 3:00 p.m.

Insect Songs with Sandi and Stevie



Thursday, July 31, 2:00 p.m.
Insect Discovery Lab