Wabasha Public Library - Program, Event and Exhibit Policy

The purpose of library programs, events and exhibits is to support community, educational, cultural, and artistic activities. Selection, design, and scheduling of programs, events and exhibits takes place at the discretion of the Library Director, designated staff and/or the Library Board of Trustees.

The Library partners with the community for programming and encourages multiple points of view in a neutral environment. We look for areas of common interest where both the community partner and the Library bring value to the programming effort. Depending on the nature of the program, event or exhibit, the Library may provide any or all of the following: space, staff, equipment, marketing and supplemental resources.

Partner individuals or organizations are not allowed to solicit funds or personal information or to promote commercial services. Any sales of materials by presenters must be pre-approved. It is acceptable to make promotional materials about the individual or organization available to participants.

To submit a proposal for consideration, complete the **Proposal for Program, Event or Exhibit form** and return it to the Library Director.

<u>Requests for Reconsideration</u>
Programs, events and exhibits may be seen by anyone--both children and adults who may have various degrees of understanding. Therefore, programs, events and exhibits must meet what is generally known as “a standard acceptable to the community.”

The selection of presenters and the allocation of exhibit space follow the principles of intellectual freedom as described in the Library Bill of Rights. The Library allows for a broad spectrum of opinion and a variety of viewpoints. The Library will not censor nor eliminate programming because some members of the community may disagree with its content. Permission to present or exhibit artistic material does not imply Library sponsorship, endorsement of content, or responsibility for representation of all points of view.

Patrons who object to a specific program, event or exhibit should consult the **Reconsideration of Library Materials policy** for more information and may submit a **Request for Reconsideration form.**

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