



# NEWPORT BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY

## 2013 CENTRAL LIBRARY EXPANSION

The Central Library Expansion Project, completed in April 2013, added 17,000 square feet to the existing 54,000 square foot Central Library. The expansion of the Central Library evolved both from need for more space and the vision of a vibrant gathering place that would link the Central Library with Civic Center Plaza.

World-class architects from Bohlin, Cywinski Jackson designed the spacious, light-filled addition to include an entrance from Civic Center with indoor and outdoor seating and a cafe for coffee and light meals, a state-of-the-art Media Center, children's program space, comfortable reading areas, individual study stations with power outlets, and WiFi throughout.

The breakdown of the space added is as follows:

Children's Room	2,230
Popular Library	500
Media/Recording Lab	1,155
Conference Room	360
Staff/Storage	880
Café Storage	320
Upper Level Reading Areas	3,325
Bridge and Café area	3,825
Restrooms, hallways, utility and mechanical space	4,400

### Parking Structure

Additional parking was critical to the needs of library customers. A three-level parking structure with 450 spaces now provides convenient and plentiful parking for City Hall and Park visitors, City employees and Central Library customers. There are two entrances to the structure, one from the existing Central Library parking lot and another from the Civic Center Plaza.

Architects: Bohlin Cywinski Jackson  
Landscape Architects: Peter Walker Partners (PWP)  
Construction Manager: C.W. Driver

### ENTRANCE FROM CIVIC CENTER PLAZA

- Links to Civic Center Green
- Views of City Hall and Civic Green
- Outdoor and indoor seating
- Cafe for coffee and light meals
- WiFi accessible

### UPPER LEVEL

- Study space and reading areas
  - Individual work stations
  - Power outlets and privacy screens
  - Comfortable soft seating
- RFID self-checkout machines
- Upper level restrooms
- Digital signage

### LOWER LEVEL

- Expanded children's area
  - Performance area
  - Early literacy station
  - Comfortable soft seating
  - Child-size furniture
- Expanded Popular Library with new reading room
- Picnic area outside Children's Room
- Media Center
  - Mac and PC computers
  - Widescreen monitors
  - Graphic design software
  - Video editing software
  - Computer drafting software
  - Sound room

### NOTABLE FEATURES

- Entrance shaped like open book
- Glass walls and abundant natural light
- Stairway oculus /clerestory windows
- View through upper level to ocean
- Views of City Hall and Civic Green

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