

In the Stacks



View of the Library Expansion from Tiburon Blvd.

Library Expansion Update

By Glenn Isaacson, Project Manager

The Expansion Project is made up of three sub projects, namely:

One: the finishing and furnishing of the new, nearly 9,000 square foot expansion building which will house the enlarged Children's Library, Art Gallery, Founders Room, Corner Books, Makerspace, Computer Learning Classroom, and conference rooms.

Two: the extensive site work involved with constructing a new 52-space parking lot entering from Mar West Street rather than Tiburon Blvd., shifting the location of Zelinsky Park eastward to make room for the parking lot, creating a new Civic Plaza

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A Message from the Director

By Deborah Mazzolini, Library Director

Every weekday our Library world has exciting changes. The other day I walked into the new Children's Library and was thrilled to realize the ceiling was installed! It seemed, at the moment, an amazing miracle. The light was shining in, the view was facing toward the plaza, and in my mind the Children's Library became the perfect space for kids and for families. It is truly a fabulous gift from the community to the community.

Our new Teen Library will be an innovative and incomparable center fully dedicated to teens. How lucky our teens will be to have this extraordinary library space, unique in Marin County!

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When Can We Go in the Library?

By Jason Duran, Operations Manager

This is the number one question you've been asking us at our curbside Pop Up Library. The plan is to temporarily set up shop inside the new construction this summer (the old construction still needs to be renovated). The plan is to provide in-Library access to a large portion of the Adult Collection and all of the Children's and Teen Collections. We also hope to expand our in-person services and restore direct access to computers, printer, copier scanner, and fax. There will be service desks should you need help finding books and articles.

We appreciate the patience you've shown through the pandemic and the Library expansion. It's been great seeing you at curbside and we hope to see you inside the Library very soon!

Visit Our Pop Up Library! Details Inside

EXPANSION NEWS



Children's Library

Above: Rendering of the new Children's Library

The new Children's Library will be quite a sight to behold! Situated just across from what will be the new Zelinsky Park, it will have nearly double the space of the old one with brand-new features and amenities designed just for the little ones. Our Children's Librarians continue to work tirelessly to help instill in our youngest patrons a lifelong love of libraries and reading, and this dynamic new space will help them and their families do just that!

Included in the new design will be:

- A dedicated story time room that can double as a craft space
- An enclosed patio for outdoor reading, snacks and playtime
- Plenty of window seating, perfect for curling up with a good book
- Study tables and counter spaces for group and project-based work

- A collection twice the size of the old Children's Library

Because the Children's Library is such a popular destination for families with small children, we have made additional naming opportunities available to the community. Those opportunities include (but are not limited to):

- New tablets and public computers
- Installing the mural
- Soft playground flooring for the patio
- Toys for "Stay and Play" Storytime
- Storytime puppet collection
- Toddler toys for the family play space
- New Art Clock for the wall
- Funding the Parent/Teacher collection

Teen Library

As part of the Library's expansion, we are adding a one-of-a-kind Teen Room that is a unique, innovative, dedicated place for teens (students in grades 6-12) that provides materials, space, and technology for recreational and educational activities including, but not limited to, homework, reading and literacy development, socializing, gaming, extracurricular activities, instructor- or librarian-led programming, special events, tutoring, self-expression and creativity, and community engagement. Making it even more special? It will be the only dedicated Teen Library in all of Marin County!



Above: Teens in the former Teen Alcove

Naming opportunities for the Teen Library include:

- New Books Foyer
- Teen Patio
- Multimedia Lounge
- Maker Room
- Kitchenette
- Young Adult Book Collections: Graphic Novels, Fiction, Nonfiction, and Biography
- Librarian's Office

THANK YOU!!!

Our community makes good things happen!



EXPANSION NEWS

Makerspace

Our expanded Library will be home to a brand new Makerspace where Library users will be able to access, learn, build and invent innovative digital projects using state-of-the-art, high-tech tools.

This collaborative workspace will feature a podcast studio, digital lab, AR/VR station, robotics and circuitry station, and a digital fabrication station with 3D printers and laser cutters.

We envision the new Makerspace to be a place where our patrons can learn about new technologies through hands-on experience and collaborate with other practitioners. Our Makerspace will also support the curriculum of local schools by offering a lab space for students to continue their technology-based tinkering beyond the school setting.

The Makerspace will offer various events, including workshops, tours, demos, meetups, hackathons, conferences, and more!

Above right: Tinkering in a Makerspace

Right: Rendering of the new Founders Room

Below: Rendering of the Gallery

SPONSOR A MAKER STATION

Digital Lab

- Large format printer
- Digital SLR camera
- Go Pro camera
- Photo scanner

Podcast Studio

- Headphones
- Microphones
- Speakers
- Mixing board

Digital Fabrication

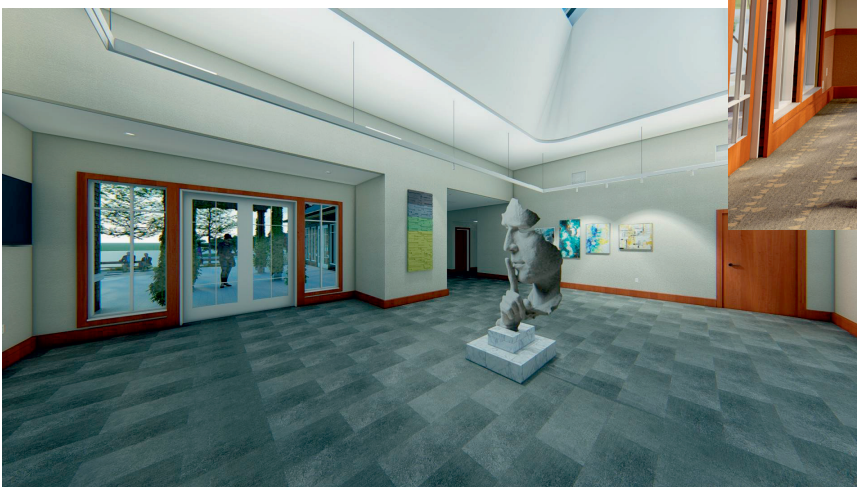
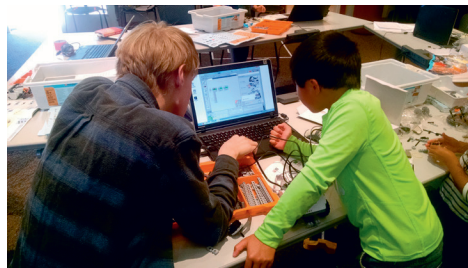
- 3D Printer
- Laser cutter
- Vinyl cutter

AR/ VR Station

- VR Headset
- 360 Camera
- Green screen

Circuits & Robotics

- Arduinos
- Raspberry Pis
- Kits & Projects



Dear Friends & Neighbors,

As life in Belvedere and Tiburon begins its return to pre-COVID normalcy, the Library Foundation and its entire Board of Directors would like to share our sincere hope for everyone's continued health, safety and perseverance through these unpredictable times.

I continue to be both excited and encouraged by the progression of our Library's expansion—it seems like every day the building looks different or a new construction element has been introduced. And while construction on the project experienced some unavoidable delays, we know the wait will be worth it when we can finally unveil the Belvedere Tiburon Library for all the community to see!

Your new Library will soon be the community's central hub: a welcoming place to socialize with coffee or a small bite on our outside deck adjacent Corner Books; your go-to spot for attending speaker series, viewing spectacular art in our new gallery or reserving a conference or Zoom Room for personal work or group meetings. The Belvedere Tiburon Library is poised to become your singular destination not just for reading but for community building, personal enrichment and the enjoyment of arts and culture.

The entire Board of Directors joins me in expressing our immense appreciation and gratitude to our wonderful community of friends and donors who continue to support the Library Foundation through these unusual times. And for those who have not yet made a contribution to our expansion and Hero Campaigns, I hope you'll consider doing so. Your gift can help us cross the finish line!

The staff and volunteers at the Library will be thrilled when we finally get to see all of our friends and patrons again—exact date is still to be determined. Until then, we hope you'll take advantage of all the Library can offer right now with its numerous and robust digital and online programs.

All my best,

Rachael Ong
President,
Foundation
Board of
Directors



Did You Know?

Individual Retirement Accounts allow you to build assets tax-free, but distributions are taxed at the highest rates. If you are age 70½ or better a gift to the Belvedere Tiburon Library Foundation made directly from your IRA can result in a double benefit by leveraging both the tax-free growth and a tax-free distribution. Better yet, all gifts to qualified charities like ours (up to a total of \$100,000) count toward your required minimum distribution! You can take advantage of this smart giving strategy even if you are not yet 72 and required to take a minimum distribution.

Contact your IRA administrator to ask how you can make use of this powerful way to give! It's a smart way to make a big impact.

For more information giving from your IRA or other types of planned gifts, please visit:

<https://www.beltiblibfoundation.org/foundation/legacy-gifts>

or contact Jenna Ervice, Executive Director of the Belvedere Tiburon Library Foundation at 415.789.2651 or jervice@beltiblibfoundation.org.

Leave a Legacy!

The Library is one of our community's more cherished public resources. **You can support it for generations to come** by including the Library Foundation in your will or designating us as a beneficiary of a trust. Planned gifts such as these enable you to provide for your loved ones while helping you to achieve your long-term philanthropic goals. You may even realize a tax savings and be able to make a more meaningful gift than you could in this lifetime!



For more information or to notify us about a planned gift you've already made arrangements for, please contact Jenna Ervice, Executive Director at Belvedere Tiburon Library Foundation 415.789.2651 or jervice@beltiblibfoundation.org.



Donor Recognition Opportunities

Recognition for Donors \$2,000 and Up

There will be a permanent installation of a beautiful granite and bronze community donor wall adjacent to the new front entrance of the Library. Donors' names will be of equal size and all names will be in alphabetical order.

Grouped Names on Prominently Displayed Donor Plaques for Donations Between \$10,000 and \$49,999

Donors at the \$10,000 to \$49,999 amount will be recognized by the donor's gift amount, similar to the current bronze plaques on the pillars outside the Fink Reading Room (Fireplace Room). There are four levels of recognition:

- Benefactors: \$40,000 to \$49,999
- Patrons: \$30,000 to \$39,999
- Sponsors: \$20,000 to \$29,999
- Donors: \$10,000 to \$19,999

Plaques on Individual Spaces or Objects for Donation of \$50,000 and Up

Donor levels for internal and external naming opportunities have been outlined and many are still available. Inside donor plaques will acknowledge

gifts by space and size.

Plaques currently in the Nave that were named by donors to the original Library built in 1996 will be revived. These plaques will show the original 1996 donor along with the new 2021 donor.

Plaques for donors will be done in bronze, similar to the current plaque design. The size of the plaque will be relative to the gift, from \$50,000 and up.

Major donor recognition is available from \$1,000,000 and up.

Outdoor Donor Recognition Opportunities

- Gardens on Library grounds start at \$75,000.
- Benches and other seating in the plaza at varying levels of donation
- Children's Patio fenced-in area adjacent to the Civic Plaza

To learn more about how you can contribute to the expansion, contact Jenna Ervice, Executive Director of the Library Foundation, at jervice@beltiblibfoundation.org or Deborah Mazzolini, Library Director, at dmazzolini@beltiblibrary.org.

DONOR LISTING

The Belvedere Tiburon Library and the Library Foundation are grateful for every contribution received in support of the ongoing Capital Campaign.

On behalf of the Library Agency Board and the Foundation Board of Directors, please accept our deepest appreciation for your generosity in ensuring our community has a modern 21st century library.

We couldn't be more grateful for your support!

To see a complete listing of all Capital Campaign donors please visit:

<https://www.beltiblibfoundation.org/donor-listing>
or scan the QR code below.



Community Donor Wall

In our effort to acknowledge the hundreds of donors who have made construction on the Belvedere Tiburon Library possible, we will be erecting a permanent donor wall beautifully crafted with granite and bronze to be installed at the front of the Library's new entrance. It will list every donor who has made a cumulative contribution of \$2,000 or more to the Capital Campaign since July 1, 2006.

If you have not already considered making a donation to support our expansion, we hope you will! This permanent installation will recognize the immense generosity of our community and will be displayed for all to appreciate. Add your name to the donor wall today by using the enclosed envelope to send in your contribution of \$2,000 or more.



LIBRARY SERVICES & PROGRAMS

POP UP LIBRARY

Monday-Saturday
10am-4pm

Until the new Expansion opens in September or October, books, media, and help from librarians will be available curbside at the Pop Up Library. There are carts of the most popular:

- Fiction
- Mysteries
- Nonfiction
- Movies
- Audiobooks
- Teen books
- Children's books
- Craft kits for kids and teens
- Vinyl records
- And more!

Stop by the Pop Up Library this summer!



Popular Books

The Last Thing He Told Me
by Laura Dave

The Midnight Library by Matt Haig

The Premonition: A Pandemic Story
by Michael Lewis

The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah

Malibu Rising by Taylor Jenkins Reid

Klara and the Sun by Kazuo Ishiguro

People We Meet on Vacation
by Emily Henry

The Plot by Jean Hanff Korelitz

The Maidens by Alex Michaelides

The Madness of Crowds
by Louise Penny

Right:
Rendering
of Corner
Books



Book Return at the Cove

The book return at the Cove Shopping Center, located to the left of the entrance to Nugget Market, is open. Skip the summer traffic and return books and media 24/7.

Library of Things

The Library lends more than just books and media. Check out wi-fi hotspots, laptops, nook e-readers loaded with bestseller titles, and more!

Book Donations

Due to limited storage space during construction, the Library is unable to accept book donations until the entire renovation is completed. Neighboring local libraries are accepting book donations at this time.

Great Books Group

The Great Books Group continues to meet online the second Tuesday of each month at 2pm. The group does not meet in August.

We're Social :)



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on social media:
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Popular Movies

Minari

Nomadland (blu-ray)

News of the World

The Father

Promising Young Woman

The Courier

The Truffle Hunters

A Call to Spy

Nobody

French Exit

LIBRARY SERVICES & PROGRAMS

Library Expansion Update, Continued

between the Library and Town Hall and work on Tiburon Blvd. to extend the median strip in front of the Library and elongate the left turn lane to Mar West Street.

Three: the remodeling of the existing Library building to accommodate a new Teen Library, new restrooms, technical and administrative functions, and a reorganization of the adult collections.

The most frequently asked question regarding these projects is: “When will it be finished?”.

Ed Lynch, who recently managed the construction of the New Cove House at the San Francisco Yacht Club, had a wonderful answer to that question. He would say “We have never been closer.” Defying that wisdom of avoiding stating dates, we dare to make some predictions of completion dates for each of the three sub-projects mentioned above.

Project One, the new building should be ready for occupancy by September/October of this year. As soon as it is ready the plan is to relocate the staff and a good quantity of books into these spaces so work can start on Project Three, the remodeling of the existing library spaces.

Project two, site work. This project, except for final landscaping, should be mainly completed by September/October of this year.

Project Three, the remodel, should be completed by January/February of the next year.

So, there you have it! Lots to look forward to as we enter the last innings of a rather long and exciting ball game.



A Message from the Director, Continued

This new space will be an exciting destination for our teen community. Middle and high school students will participate in programs and activities specific to their age and interests in a high-tech space conducive to collaboration and creativity, designed just for them.

In the late summer the staff will be moving into the new expansion areas while the old Library is renovated. During that time, the new Founders Room will house the Adult materials collections. Reference services will be available near the front entrance of the new Library. Children's and Teen departments will both move into the brand new Children's Library.

I must admit it has been difficult for Library staff through the covid experience. Luckily the curbside services have been a success and the Library has expanded new online services to compensate for our closing. Monday through Saturday

the Reference desk is staffed from 10am to 4pm to provide services by phone, email, and chat. Thanks to the many of you who have supported us in our efforts by taking advantage of our resources and by staying in touch with us over all these months.

The Library Foundation has raised \$16.5m for the expansion. We want to raise another \$2m. There are still important and exciting naming opportunities that you can learn about within this Library Stacks newsletter.

As most of you know, I will be retiring near the end of this calendar year. It has been such an honor and an incredible pleasure to be the Director of the Library for all these years. I have appreciated your ongoing support and interest in the Library and your ongoing enthusiasm in and commitment to the community.





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Curbside Service &

Pop Up Library

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The Library by Numbers

Despite all the recent challenges, the Belvedere Tiburon Library has had a busy year! Check out these numbers from June 2020 (when the Library reopened for curbside service) through July 2021. Learn more about these services by scanning the QR code with your smartphone or tablet.

Physical items checked out at Curbside & Pop Up Library: 22,691

Learn more about the Pop Up Library



Ebooks & e-audiobooks accessed: 42,280
New ebooks



Storytimes on YouTube: 126

Watch the channel



Craft kits for children & teens: 1,125
Latest teen craft kits



Assistance with using technology: 207

Book an appointment with a librarian



Movies streamed: 9,526

Access Kanopy & hoopla



New library cards: 292

Sign up for an account



Virtual senior events posted: 218
See the calendar



New books, magazines, and media: 9,752