

# Joan Weill Adirondack Library Display/Exhibits Policy

The Library exhibits materials which support the Library's mission and vision, providing "space and services that enhance teaching, learning, research and scholarship for the campus and broader community."<sup>1</sup> Of special interest are exhibits which promote library collections, services, collegiate scholarship, and programs. As stated in our vision, the "Library strives to serve as a partner in the learning process, and expand beyond our position as custodians of resources and into meaningful collaboration and conversation on campus."<sup>2</sup> Our exhibits, exhibit themes, and display items are selected by library staff and comprised of materials and resources gathered from within the library or through extensive collaboration with campus constituents. These exhibits serve as a spark of exploration where students, staff, and faculty can converge and ignite conversation to enhance learning. The Paul Smith's College community may collaborate with Library staff in curating an exhibit that falls within the guidelines of this policy.

## Displays and exhibits should:

- Contribute positively to the Library's environment while highlighting the Library's collections.
- Publicize resources and services to the College community.
- Enrich the life of the College and the community it serves.
- Provide a means of strengthening ties between the Library, the College, and the community.
- Publicize the research and accomplishments of faculty, staff and students of the College.
- Support a "diverse and inclusive community... that enhances opportunities for cross-cultural engagement."<sup>3</sup>
- Reflect "freedom of information and of creative expression."<sup>4</sup>

Materials accepted for display in the Library display cases or display areas must relate to the mission of the Library and/or the College. The Library reserves the right to approve or deny all requests for exhibits and displays. Final approval of all displays rests with the Student Outreach Librarian.

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<sup>1</sup> Joan Weill Adirondack Library [Mission Statement](#).

<sup>2</sup> Joan Weill Adirondack Library [Vision Statement](#).

<sup>3</sup> PSC [Strategic Plan](#), Goal 3, Obj J

<sup>4</sup> ACRL [Intellectual Freedom Principles](#) for Academic Libraries