## Mission Statement

The San Juan Island Library provides community access to diverse and relevant collections, information resources, and services in support of individual educational, occupational, and recreational interests. The Library offers a welcoming place for community connection and promotes exploration of the joys of reading and of learning, while encouraging the discovery of life's possibilities.

### **Core Values**

# **Accessibility**

The Library recognizes that a user-friendly environment helps our patrons to access information. The Library explores ways to make it easier for all patrons to navigate our physical and virtual resources.

# **Welcome and Respect**

The Library strives to be the heart of the community, reflecting the vibrant personality of our island. It is a safe and welcoming place that encourages the free exchange and exploration of ideas, and respects the diverse viewpoints of all.

#### **Professionalism**

The Library recognizes the importance of having well-trained, knowledgeable staff for delivery of quality services. The Library supports ongoing training to ensure professional standards and knowledge.

#### **Intellectual Freedom**

The Library strives to ensure protection of the individual's freedom to read, the maintenance of privacy, and unfettered intellectual inquiry and expression.

#### **Innovation**

The Library pursues innovation in services and resources to meet the evolving needs of the Library and our patrons.

## Collaboration

The Library uses its unique position as a neutral public forum to foster partnerships and build connections across a broad spectrum of individuals and organizations in order to strengthen and enrich our community