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Design Workshops About A New Library

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The San Juan Island Library thanks all who came to the November 18th community meetings at the Brickworks. Between the two sessions, approximately 100 people were in attendance. Both sessions featured rich and engaging discussions on library planning. After a short review of the building project, the Library's architectural consultants divided attendees into small groups and led a design workshop. Participants were able to discuss design ideas related to the Spring Street property and the programs and services they would like in the new library. After this breakout session, all participants reconvened, and the groups presented their ideas to one another. Ideas from these presentations were further discussed and integrated into group designs.







The Library is grateful for all ideas, questions, and creative problem-solving, and will use the received feedback to inform its decisions. Review up-to-date information on the Library's website, including answers to some of the most frequently asked questions, at https://www.sjlib.org/aboutus/library-building-project/.

The conversation does not stop here! Mark your calendars for February 12th, when the Library will host an open house at the Brickworks to present a conceptual design of the new library building and solicit feedback from community members. The Library will utilize these created materials for fundraising and outreach. A projected timeline for the project, from start to finish, will also be presented.

Library staff can answer any questions you have at 360.378.2798 or sjlib@sjlib.org. Library programs and cards are free of charge to San Juan Island residents. In addition to its collections of books, videos, equipment, games, audiobooks, and other materials to loan, the library also provides public access computers, WiFi, and a suite of databases that patrons can access in the library or at home. Library hours are Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 10 am to 6 pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 am to 8 pm, Saturdays 10 am to 5 pm, and Sundays 12 pm to 3 pm.