

—The &Spaces Library— Fusing *SERVICE* and *SPACE*

Libraries are more than just book repositories—they are dynamic centers for education, recreation, and collaborative learning. But are today's library spaces helping librarians to meet these service needs?

The **&Spaces Library** bridges the intersection of library *SERVICES* and *SPACES* to address the changing needs of communities and their demands for information. It is a flexible, adaptable, and responsive model for the library of the future, building on traditional conventions while expanding services to reach new communities.

Library **OUTSIDE** of the library :
Outpost and Installation



Dynamic Teen services

Inviting display of **Popular materials**

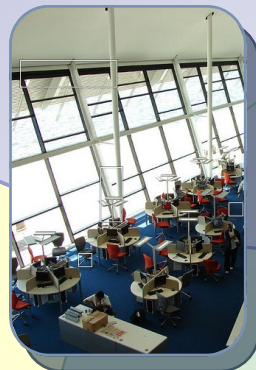


Interactive Children's services



Entrance = *first point of service*

So, how do librarians fit into these spaces? Much as we have married services and spaces within the **&Spaces Library**, librarians of this model also serve as a reflection of the spaces and users they serve. Librarians in the **&Spaces Library** are proactive, engaging, and responsive to users' needs. Work spaces and reference desks are accessible, transparent, and highly visible, centered in the heart of the library. Roving librarians proactively bring services to patrons who are browsing the stacks or working in the information commons.



Areas of *enjoyment* and *recreation*

Innovative technologies are intrinsic to contemporary information seeking behavior. Here in the **&Spaces Library**, technology is seamlessly blended in a marriage of services and spaces to increase ease of basic library functions, while simultaneously facilitating increased interactions between librarians and users.



Information Commons:
Fostering collaborative learning

Breaking barriers by



Bringing the inside out and the outside in!