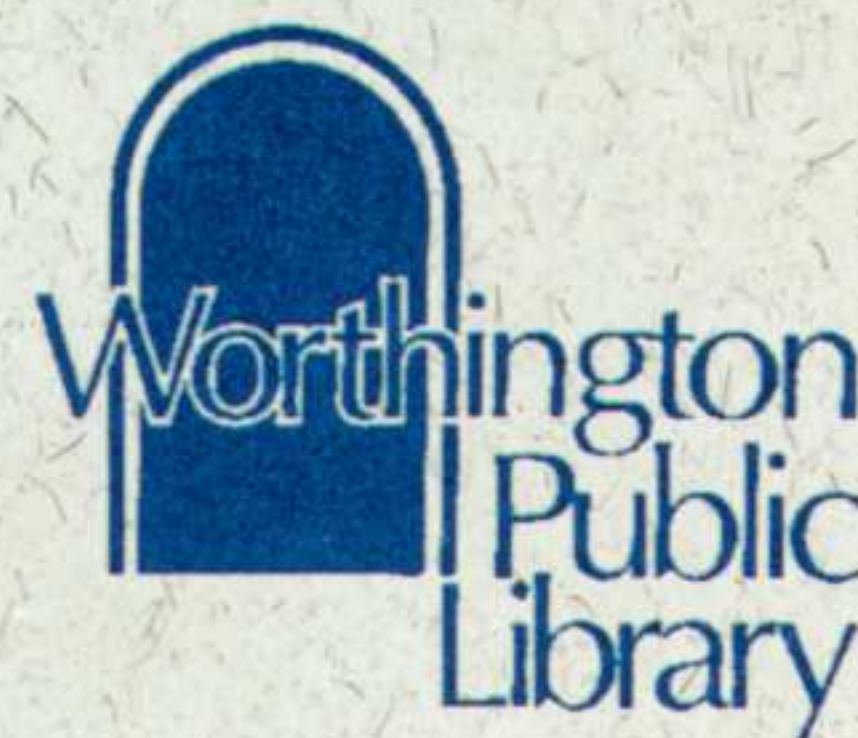
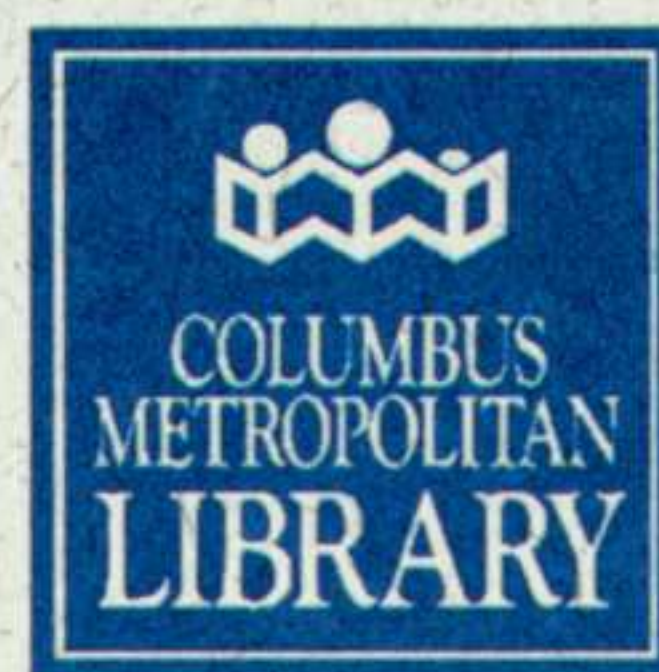


Northwest  
Library

# DEDICATION

**Tuesday, April 16, 1996 • 8:30 a.m.**





# The Northwest Library:

- Was built through the cooperative efforts of the Columbus Metropolitan Library and the Worthington Public Library. The two systems split the cost for land, construction and the opening day collection, and will share the operating costs of the new library.
- Is the first Ohio library to be built and operated by two library systems.
- Offers access to the Greater Columbus Free-Net and the Internet through the Ohio Public Library Information Network (OPLIN) at 22 computer stations.
- Provides a collection of over 100,000 new books and 10,000 audio and video tapes, compact discs and books-on-tape.
- Offers the Worthington Public Library's CD-ROM reference network with database access and the Columbus Metropolitan Library's *Discovery Place* service.



# Dedication Program

Tuesday, April 16, 1996 • 8:30 a.m.  
Worthington Public Library • Columbus Metropolitan Library

## Masters of Ceremonies

Amos J. Loveday, Jr., President, Board of Trustees  
Worthington Public Library  
Charlotte P. Kessler, President, Board of Trustees  
Columbus Metropolitan Library

## Invocation

Rabbi Gary A. Huber  
Congregation Beth Tikvah

## Pledge of Allegiance

Junior Girl Scout Troop #1205

## Welcome

Larry Black, Director Columbus Metropolitan Library	Meribah Mansfield, Director Worthington Public Library
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## Guest Speaker

Jo Ann Davidson, Speaker  
Ohio House of Representatives

## Special Guest

Betty Turock, President  
American Library Association

## Introduction of Staff

Bonnie Beth Mitchell  
Northwest Library Manager

## Ribbon Cutting

## Benediction

Reverend Monsignor Thomas G. Bender  
St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church



## Welcome to the Northwest Library

**A**s you explore the Northwest Library, note the play of light on the paint, the open gridwork, the familiar storybook characters in the Children's Department and the inviting Young Adult Area. Browse through the shelves of materials; surf the Internet for a while. But remember: The Northwest Library's striking exterior and light-filled interior may be the most visible features of this special library, but they are by no means its sole distinctions.

Perhaps its greatest distinction is the cooperative nature of the project. The Northwest Library concept resulted from discussions which began in 1992 among the two library systems' board members. The two boards signed a joint development and operating agreement on October 13, 1993. Columbus and Worthington are sharing the start-up costs of the project, and will share operating costs.

The Northwest Library is only the second library in the United States to be built and operated by two library systems. This collaboration between the Columbus Metropolitan Library and the Worthington Public Library is a viable model to other library systems and government entities seeking to better serve growing populations while coping with shrinking budgets.

### Northwest Library Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Friday - Saturday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Sunday (September - May): 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Northwest Library  
2280 Hard Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43235

Information Desk: 645-2656



## Special Features/Services

### **The Northwest Library will accommodate visitors with unique materials and services including:**

- A state-of-the-art technology area including the Worthington Public Library CD-ROM Reference Network and access to databases on investment analysis, employment information, reading readiness products, encyclopedias and directories
- Public access to the Greater Columbus Free-Net, the Ohio Public Library Information Network (OPLIN) and the Internet
- A large Children's Department featuring familiar storybook friends
- An inviting reading lounge with a fireplace
- An enclosed quiet room
- Programming for patrons of all ages
- Summer Reading Programs for children and teens
- A Friends of the Worthington Public Library Bookplace and Gift Cart
- A passenger drop-off area and drive-up book return



# Floor Plan

**Architect**

Design Group, Inc.

**Furniture**

Agati, Inc.

**Children's Story Area**

Chicago Design Group

**General Contractor**

Weithman Brothers, Inc.

**Floor Space**

23,000 square feet, on one floor

**Shelving Capacity**

100,000 books

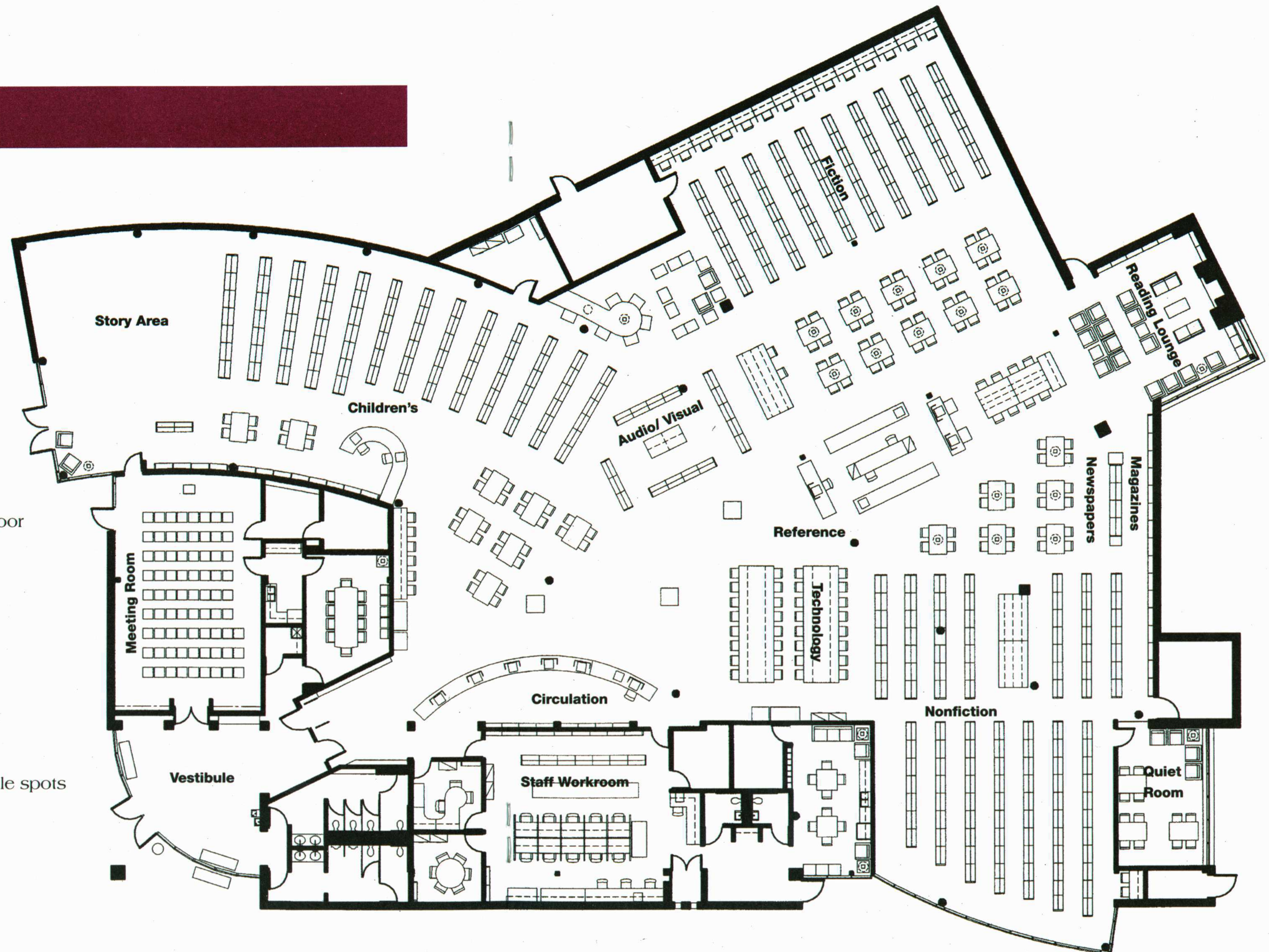
10,000 audio/visual items

**Public Seating**

225

**Parking**

193 parking spaces, 15 bicycle spots





## The Northwest Library is On-line

**I**n addition to the helpful staff available to answer your questions, the Northwest Library offers *Discovery Place*, central Ohio's computerized resource.

The *Discovery Place Libraries Catalog* lists materials available at the Columbus, Southwest and Worthington library systems as well as the Franklin University Library. Borrowers have access to a collection of more than two and a half million circulating items, including books, magazines, audio and video materials, with a library card from any of these libraries. *InfoTrac 2000* provides complete articles or summaries from several hundred magazines and newspapers. *The Columbus News Index* offers access to citations in various local and regional newspapers. *Health Index ASAP* contains articles or summaries from 150 health magazines and newsletters.

In addition to using these services in the Library, the *Discovery Place* dial-up service makes these four databases available to customers with a modem-equipped computer at their home or office.

All of these services are easy to use. If you need help finding any information, a library staff member will gladly assist you.



## Northwest Library Staff

**Manager:** Bonnie Beth Mitchell

**Reference Services Manager:** Susan Branch

**Adult/Young Adult Services Manager:** Susan Hayes

**Children's Services Manager:** Joan Taylor

**Circulation Manager:** Shirley Latshaw

**Adult/Young Adult Librarian:** William McLoughlin

**Children's Librarians:** Karen Laird, Danna Rubel

**Reference Librarians:** Michael Blackwell, Janet Ingraham,  
Jennifer Neruda, Suzanne Pentecost

**Circulation Supervisor:** Cheryl Fowler

**Children's Associate:** Sally Carton

**Audio/Visual Associate:** Wayne Cruze

**Interlibrary Loan Associate:** Monica McQuiston

**Circulation Desk Shift Leaders:** Janet Bauer, Sandra  
Deaner, Sharon Gawronski, Carolyn Gear

**Circulation Assistants:** Cindy Ault, Frank Frissora, Barbara  
Goodell, Barbara Grimes, Cassie Hunt, Judy Johnson, Wendy  
Krakowka, Ruth Larcomb, James Miller, Bud Sawyer, LaVerne  
Swanson

**Library Aides:** Margaret Coffey, Kathy Farel, Alison  
Goldbaum, Chris Hayes, Martha Hilditch, Jesse Lucas, Allison  
Mueller, Joo Jong Son, Prashant Tumuluri, Kitty Whitehead

**Finance Clerk:** Jane Cross

**Technology Coordinator:** Chuck Gibson

**Custodians:** Blake Endicott, Fred Mitchell, Tom Slappy



## Special Thanks to . . .

- The many volunteers who donated hundreds of hours sorting, stacking and shelving the Northwest Library opening day collection.
- The Friends of the Worthington Public Library who hosted today's celebration.
- The Friends of the Columbus Metropolitan Library.
- The Dublin-Scioto High School String Ensemble: Mandy Partlow, Talia Montgomery, David Chen and Michelle Pohlman.
- The Junior Girl Scout Troop #1205 from Granby Elementary School.
- The Mardi Gras Ice Cream Co.
- Kroger at Worthington Mall
- Scottie McBean Roastery



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