

2009 ANNUAL REPORT WAUKESHA PUBLIC LIBRARY

ACHIEVEMENTS

Return on Investment

\$6.42* in services is returned to the community for every \$1.00 in taxes received by the Library.

\$21,508,243

\$3,352,062

Value of services
community received *

City & County tax
dollars received

Items checked out or services offered

Adult items checked out: 568,017

\$12,048,100

Children's & teen items
checked out: 384,820

\$5,927,100

DVDs, CDs & videos
checked out: 456,144

\$2,492,184

Programs attended by
19,494 children & adults

\$132,474

Public Internet hours
used: 122,045

\$732,270

Reference questions
answered: 58,705

\$176,115



HIGHLIGHTS

Children's Area Renovation

- 321 Alphabet Square: Innovative Early Learning Center
- Enlarged and updated performance space
- New section for upper elementary students



Public Art

New works of original art were added to the collection.

Garden House I & II
by Amy Cropper

The Public Art collection is supported by private donations.



Programming

- BIG READ Waukesha events
- BookLeggers: school-age booktalk program
- Bilingual storytimes
- Manga and Anime club
- Teen Tuesday after-school events
- Storytimes and playgroups

New Online Databases

- Learning Express: over 800 online courses, tests and e-books
- Novelist Plus: a reader's resource to fiction and non-fiction books

inspiration ideas information

VISIT YOUR LIBRARY TO:

Access a total collection of 317,517 items including books, DVDs, audio books, music CDs, magazines and newspapers

- ◆ Use a library computer to write a resume or look for a job
- ◆ Use NetLibrary to access thousands of e-books online 24/7

- ◆ Join a book group

- ◆ Access Wi-Fi

- ◆ Attend children's programs and storytimes

- ◆ Study for your GED, ACT, or GRE

- ◆ Use Overdrive® to download audio books, music, videos and e-books 24/7

- ◆ Take an online course from home

- ◆ Research your family's genealogy



- ◆ Use a quiet study room



- ◆ Access resources for homework help

- ◆ Get suggestions on what to read

- ◆ Attend programs for teens & adults

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