

**PIONEERLAND LIBRARY SYSTEM  
BOARD POLICY**

<b>Policy:</b> Performance and Exhibit	<b>Policy number:</b> TBD
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**Purpose:** The Library’s arts and culture goals include:

- To broaden horizons by presenting a wide range of art, drama, music, and other performances’
- To support community cultural and artistic activities;
- To nourish intellectual, aesthetic and creative growth, promoting lifelong learning;
- To provide welcoming and inspiring community events;
- To enrich the Library mission by expanding collaborative ventures with arts and cultural resources in Minnesota and beyond.

**Policy:** The mounting, design and scheduling of programs and exhibitions will take place at the discretion of the Director, designated staff and/or Library Board. Programs and exhibits may be seen by anyone visiting the Library – both children and adults who may have various degrees of understanding. Programs and exhibits will therefore meet what is generally known as a standard acceptable to the community.

The selection of performers and the allocation of exhibit space follow the principles of intellectual freedom as described in the Library Bill of Rights. The Library allows for a broad spectrum of opinion and a variety of viewpoints. The Library will not censor nor eliminate programming because some members of the community may disagree with its content. Permission to perform or exhibit artistic material does not imply Library sponsorship, endorsement of content or responsibility for representation of all points of view.

**Procedures:** If you disagree with the library regarding a program or exhibit, you are encouraged to complete a Request for Reconsideration (attached). Once the form has been fully completed, it should be submitted to the Library Director. The Request will follow the process outlined in the Collection Development policy as approved by the Library Board.

**Request for Reconsideration of Library Program or Exhibit**

Patrons who believe a program or exhibit does not meet the Library mission may complete a "Request for Reconsideration of Library Program or Exhibit" form. Once the form has been fully completed and returned to the Library Director, the inquiry will be placed on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Library Board and follow the Library's consideration process. The decision by the Library Board will be final.

Title of program or exhibit \_\_\_\_\_

Performer or artist name \_\_\_\_\_

Request initiated by \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Do you represent:

- Yourself
- An organization [name: \_\_\_\_\_]
- Other group [name: \_\_\_\_\_]

Please describe in specific terms the basis for your objection:

What is your suggested action?

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_