

Park Branch Library



Branch Facts

Style: Neoclassical

Area: 8,825 sq. ft.

Architects: McDougall Brothers, 1909
Field Paoli/Joseph Chow & Associates,
Inc., 2011

The Park Branch Library opened in 1909 and is the oldest existing branch library in San Francisco. Its careful historic renovation and restoration in 2011 was designed to meet U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) silver certification. The building features a painted ceiling by Mark Evans and Charlie Brown, a collection of photographs by Robert Altman, and a collection of posters from the Haight Ashbury Street Fair.



San Francisco Public Library



LEED Green Report Card



Water Efficiency Saving Resources

- Low flow fixtures

Energy and Atmosphere

Light & Air

- Extensive natural light
- Zero use of CFC-based refrigerants
- Systems verified for optimal performance

Materials and Resources

Renew & Reuse

- Natural linoleum
- Refurbished shelving
- Dedicated recycling area
- 95% of construction waste recycled or salvaged
- 20% of building materials sourced within 500 miles of Library
- Use of Forest Stewardship Council-certified wood



Indoor Environmental & Air Quality

Breathe Deeply

- Low VOC paints, adhesives and sealants
- Controlled lighting, temperature and ventilation systems

Sustainable Sites

Location is Everything

- Close to public transportation
- Reduced construction pollution
- Reduction of urban heat island effect
- Minimization of light pollution



Innovation and Design Process

Fresh Ideas

- Environmentally conscious pest management
- Green cleaning products and practices