图书馆

| Fast Facts | • Opening Date: 23 October 2014  
|• Floor Area: 1,700 square meters  
|• Collection Size: 100,000  
|• Target Community: Customers who are interested in Design, Lifestyle and the Applied Arts. |
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| Key Highlights | • **The Studio and The Loft**  
Divided between two floors - The Studio and The Loft - the library is a vibrant and dynamic community space with selected quiet and contemplative corners for reflection and literary pursuit.  
• **Book Tree**  
The four book trees on the upper level of the library are tied to the People, Space, Product and Visual Design collection clusters. They are integrated book displays which feature books, magazines, AV items and a digital display which highlights notable personalities and icons according to a theme.  
• **Learning Communities**  
Learning can happen without a teacher! Discover new skills or techniques from books during our fortnightly community learning sessions held at *Share*. |
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| Collection Highlights | The library@orchard collection includes fiction and non-fiction titles, magazines and audio-visual materials which are available in the four official languages. The library also offers a selection of eNewspapers, eBooks and eMagazines.  
• **Design Clusters**: library@orchard's non-fiction collection is organised in 5 Design clusters: People, Space, Visual, Product and Lifestyle.  

![People Design](image-url)  
Find out what makes people tick with our take on fashion, people photography, portfolios and entrepreneurs.
Space Design
Plan, draft and layout your dose of readings on architecture, landscape and interior design.

Product Design
Understand the process behind the products through furniture design, industrial design, game design, handicrafts and packaging.

Visual Design
Unlock the layers below the visuals, with titles on advertising, graphic design, photography, printmaking and typography.

Lifestyle Design
To have a life well-designed is to have a life well-lived. Inspire yourself daily with gastronomy, wellness, travelogues, etiquette and literary pursuits.

- **Magazine Wall**: library@orchard boasts the largest collection of design magazines in a public library in Singapore. Magazines are arranged alphabetically and with the covers facing out for ease of locating.

**Service and Facilities**

- **a) Facilities**
  - Seating capacity: 180
  - Digital Library Guide
  - Bookdrop (10.30am – 10.30pm)
### Library History

library@orchard was first opened on 21 October 1999 on the fifth floor of the Ngee Ann City shopping mall by then Minister for Information and the Arts Lee Yock Suan. It was the first lifestyle library designed to cater to the needs of young adults aged 18-35 years old, as well as the first library to be located in the heart of the city at Orchard Road.

Located at the new Orchard Gateway shopping centre, the new library@orchard has incorporated principles of Design Thinking in the development of its spaces and features, and holds the largest collection of titles on design, lifestyle and the applied arts. It was opened on 23 Oct 2014 by Minister for Communications and Information Dr Yaacob Ibrahim.

### Interesting Facts

- library@orchard is the first public library in Singapore to be built based on principles of Design Thinking. The National Library Board partnered with Singapore Polytechnic, one of the pioneers of Design Thinking in Singapore, to conceptualise library@orchard.
- library@orchard is the first double-storey mall library to be built.

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“Design is not just what it looks like and feels like. Design is how it works.”
— Steve Jobs

Opening Hours
Mon – Sun: 11am – 9pm
Closed at 5pm on Christmas Eve, New Year’s Eve
& the eve of Chinese New Year
Closed on public holidays
ABOUT US

library@orchard focuses on design, lifestyle and the applied arts. Divided between 2 floors - The Studio and The Loft, the library is a vibrant community space with selected quiet contemplative corners and features a collection of around 100,000 materials

library@orchard. For the dreamers and the makers.

L3 STUDIO

Modelled after a design studio, the space allows for collaboration and interaction

L4 LOFT

Hide away from the world with a good read in comfortable spaces

1. Make | Imagine This & That
   Create, discuss and share when you participate in workshops, talks, and film screenings.

2. Video Wall
   Watch feature films, animation shorts and 'live' feeds.

3. Share
   An arena space for larger groups to get together.

4. DVD Shelf
   From movies to how-to-videos, check out the Audio-Visual collection.

5. Magazine Wall
   The go-to place for printophiles to keep pace with trends.

6. Fiction
   From pot-boilers to tear-jerkers to adventures and more.

7. People
   Fashion, people photography, portfolios and entrepreneurs

8. Space
   Architecture, landscape and interior design

9. Product
   Furniture design, industrial design, game design, handicrafts and packaging

10. Visual
    Advertising, graphic design, photography, printmaking and typography

11. Lifestyle
    Gastronomy, wellness, travelogues, etiquette, literary pursuits and culture & society

12. Book Trees
    Themed curated displays which highlight personalities and iconic products

OTHER SERVICES

BORROW
Check out your materials here

BROWSE
Browse through eNewspaper, eMagazines and eBooks

CONFIRM
Check your account and other transactions with the e-Kiosk

COLLECT
Get reserved items outside the library whenever you want during mall opening hours

KNOW
Find information on library services, programmes and materials

SEARCH
Hunt for content in our library catalogue and archives databases