

LIBRARY LOOKOUT

- Level 1:** Grades K–3 and groups with 20 minutes or less
- Level 2:** Grades 4–5 and groups with 30 minutes or less
- Level 3:** Grades 6–12 and groups with 30 minutes or more

Trivia

Can you guess how many books this library holds? The answer is 3.2 million—more books than there are people in Austin! There are 70 miles worth of stacks here. That’s almost as long as the distance from here to San Antonio (74 miles).

Main Lobby

Levels 1, 2, 3

Before you enter the lobby stop in the plaza and take a look at the main library building. What do you think of its design?

The Perry Castañeda Library (PCL) was named after two former UT professors. Ervin S. Perry was the first African American professor and Carlos E. Castañeda was a professor who played an important role in establishing the Benson Collection, one of the world’s most important centers for Latin American studies.

As you walk into the main lobby, look at all the students busily moving around. What different activities are going on? Go on an art treasure hunt on the ground floor. First try and find a tiny brass satellite dish (mace cabinet at the back of the lobby). The maces in this cabinet are used during graduation ceremonies. See if you can guess which ones correspond to which majors. Now try and find four other sculptures on the ground floor. (You may need to walk through the glass doors at the back of the lobby to locate some of them.)

Stacks

Levels 2, 3

Head up the stairs by the elevator and walk around on the first floor of the stacks. Be sure not to take anything off the shelves without putting it down on a designated re-stacking shelf. Notice the different languages on this floor. Is there anyone in your class who can read any of these languages? Why do you think UT would buy so many foreign language books?

Map Room

Levels 2, 3

Go back down the stairs to the first level (the one below the lobby) and follow the signs to the map room. Look around at all the different maps on the wall and all the different globes on the shelves. Which is your favorite? If there is an attendant on hand, ask them to show you their favorite map in one of the drawers. See if you can find Austin on a Texas map, a US map, and a world map.

While Walking

Think of a Headline

Pick up a student newspaper from a kiosk in or around the library. Think up your own headline for the day.

Sculpt It

Backpack materials: oil-based clay

Once outside PCL, create a sculpture inspired by one of the Landmarks you found. What would you title your sculpture?

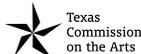
Photo op!

Take a group or class photo. Take a series of photos of your group as you explore the library.

Landmarks

Explore great works of art on campus with Landmarks, UT’s public art program. For information about the collection, tours, audio guides, and activity guides visit landmarks.utexas.edu. Look at the sculpture outlines on this handout. How many of them can you find in and around the library? (You should be able to find the three No. 2s and No. 3 sculptures on the ground floor and the No. 4 sculpture in the courtyard by the main entrance.)

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LANDMARKS

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William Boepple
Eleanor at 7:15
1977

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Anthony Caro
Veduggio Glimpse
1972–73

6



Raoul Hague
Big Indian Mountain
1965–66

1



Juan Hamilton
Curve and Shadow, No. 2
1983

3



Donald Lipski
The West
1987

7



Seymour Lipton
Pioneer
1957

2



Seymour Lipton
Catacombs
1968

2



Seymour Lipton
Guardian
1975

2



Beverly Pepper
Harmonious Triad
1982–83

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Joel Perlman
Square Tilt
1983

4



James Turrell
Skyspace
2013

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