Libraries on Display

Library exhibitions – a tool to promote the collaboration of libraries and other institutions

Exhibitions give libraries room for extended communication and exchange. An exhibition in the library can be an opportunity for fruitful cooperation with external institutions, and can also lead to cooperations between libraries. In Winter 2015, students of Library and Information Science at the Berlin LIS School started a project to publish a handbook with contributions from selected authors that are experts in their field. The job of the students included finding authors to contribute, contacting these authors to write on a topic, and, most importantly, editing the articles to make them ready for publishing. Decisions regarding the book project were discussed and decided upon within the group. The publication shows different aspects of the topic, and gives an understanding of the topic’s potential benefits. Finally, the handbook presents guidelines for organizing library exhibitions.

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The Handbook shall function as a guideline for all who will organize library exhibitions. The authors of the articles are experienced librarians in this field.

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