

A LIBRARY WITH ALTITUDE

With a panoramic vista as the backdrop, the Blue Mountains City Library has just celebrated its first birthday.

Situated within the Blue Mountains Cultural Centre, we think the library boasts the best views of any library in the southern hemisphere. With plenty of natural light and lots of comfortable spaces for diverse community activities, it is also the first new library to be built in the Blue Mountains for over 30 years.

The new library includes adjustable meeting rooms, an inviting children's area with specialised seating, and a mezzanine level with a brilliant view and lots of comfortable lounges, allowing users to sit back and appreciate living in a World Heritage listed area.

A wi-fi bench, with plenty of access to power points, and an increase in the number of computers available to the public have quickly proved themselves to be valuable aspects of the new library.

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The design developed by CK Design International is elegant and spacious, taking advantage of the location to provide breath-taking views of the township of Katoomba and the Jamison Valley beyond.

Since the grand opening there has been a steady stream of members and visitors, with new membership rates across the library network increasing by up to 87%. Numbers through the door doubled immediately and have stayed there. Fortunately, the new building has nearly three times more space to accommodate this increase.

If you haven't had a chance to see this impressive new building yet, it is well worth a visit. Make a day of it. Tour the Art Gallery and Blue Mountains World Heritage Exhibition, enjoy lunch or a coffee from the Cultural Centre Café, and drop in to enjoy our view.

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