

Vision

Connecting islanders to each other and to the world.

Mission

Bowen Island Public Library nurtures discovery and learning for all ages, through the sharing of ideas, knowledge, skills and resources.

Guiding Principles

A Place for Everyone

We provide a safe, welcoming, and accessible gathering space that responds to the community's needs.

Respect

We respect the privacy, confidentiality, and diversity of all people and welcome everyone in an atmosphere that is non-judgmental and courteous.

Reading, Literacy and Lifelong Learning

We support lifelong learning and the achievement of literacy in all its forms, and we encourage reading as a pleasurable and worthwhile experience.

Knowledge and Culture

We encourage and facilitate an active cultural and intellectual life in the community, where ideas are shared to create and sustain an informed and knowledgeable society.

Intellectual Freedom

We support the Canadian Library Association's position statement on intellectual freedom, and we support equitable access to expressions of knowledge and creativity.

Service

We provide free and equitable access to library materials, programs, and services with professionalism and excellent customer service.

Collaborations

We are a place for sharing and will work collaboratively with local residents and groups as well as the wider community.

Responsive and Accountable

We are responsive to community expectations and make decisions that are fiscally prudent and transparent.

Meeting the Future

We respond to new technologies, to the expanding knowledge base, and to changes within our community.

Preserving the Past

We preserve our library history and stories, and value those things the community cherishes about the library.