

Reading Garden Rental Policy | Nederland Community Library District - Policy

1.0 Purpose:

The Nederland Community Library collaborates with the community to celebrate the arts, and create an environment for creative programming and events. The Library's outdoor reading garden is available for private rentals and is approximately one-third an acre in size; has a small outdoor stage with electrical power, seating for 40 (stone benches and chairs) and access to the library's restrooms.

Rental is to be consistent with the library's mission, including promoting literacy and strengthening our community through education, self-improvement, cultural and charitable events, informational meetings, civic undertakings, and the free expression of all points of view. The Reading Garden is also available for private events that are celebrations of life (birthdays, weddings, memorials).

The Nederland Community Library District is a governmental entity and as such, all activities conducted in the Reading Garden shall be done in accordance with all applicable laws and shall be conducted on an equal opportunity basis. Commercial use for the purpose of sales or solicitation is not permitted.

2.0 Definitions: none

3.0 Policy:

1. Nederland-area groups (designated by the Nederland Community Library District's Special District Boundaries) will have priority with bookings. Groups renting the space must sign a rental contract, have an NCL library card, and, if applicable, have a certificate of insurance. The hourly cost of the rental will include all hours the renter is on site along with any hours staff is needed for set-up and take-down. Nederland-area rentals will be at a rate of \$70/hr. Non-Nederland area rentals will be at a rate of \$90/hr.
2. Acceptance of Rental requests is contingent on staff availability.
3. Rules of Use for the Reading Garden fall under our Community Room and Facility Usage Policy.
4. All rentals have a minimum of a 3-hours rental time.



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