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California Center for the Book moves to LAPL branch

Sacramento – The California Center for the Book, as part of its new association with the Metropolitan Cooperative Library System and the Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL), has moved to a new space above LAPL’s Pio Pico-Koreatown Branch at 696 S. Oxford Street in Los Angeles.

The California Center for the Book’s partnership with Metropolitan Cooperative Library System and LAPL builds on nine years of winning programming at its former location within UCLA’s distinguished Department of Information Studies. As UCLA did so successfully during its tenure, the Metropolitan Cooperative Library System will now facilitate the Library Services and Technology Act grant which funds the Center.

A reading promotion agency, the California Center for the Book celebrates California's rich literary heritage and helps librarians and teachers get Californians reading. It specifically develops and supports local and statewide reading programs in California’s libraries. Because the Center will now operate from a public library branch, Center staff will enjoy direct contact with library staff and administrators, an alliance that will further enhance the Center’s already popular library programs.

California’s Center for the Book operates as part of a network of Centers for the Book in every state of the Union. The nation’s 50 Centers are all affiliated with the Center for the Book in the Library of Congress which an Act of Congress created in 1977 to stimulate public interest in books, reading and libraries.

The California Center for the Book is supported by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

The new contact information for the California Center for the Book is:

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