

Library for Adults: Education and Culture in one Place. Anna Siewiorek,
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LIBRARY FOR ADULTS

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The Municipal Public Library in Chrzanów (Savivaldybės viešoji biblioteka Chšanuvoje)

LIBRARY FOR ADULTS – education and culture in one place.

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My name is Anna Siewiorek and I represent the Municipal Public Library in Chrzanów - a cultural institution of the Chrzanów Municipality acting as a district library.

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Chrzanów is a town in Chrzanów County, Lesser Poland Voivodeship. It has over 36,000 inhabitants and an area of 38.31 km²

The city location of Chrzanów was obtained around 1350.

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Who supports me?

Library crew – a team of dedicated and committed people. I am also supported by the city authorities, readers, partners and supporters who over the years have built a unique community around the library.

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THE LIBRARY – this is the old building - the famous Rainbow Restaurant, adapted into a library in 2009-2010.

And next to it VISUALIZATION of the library made before the start of construction of the new building.

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External view of the LIBRARY.

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THE LIBRARY has: 7 branches in the city and municipality.

It operates in the following areas:

EDUCATION - collects and makes available a universal, up-to-date book collection, conducts library lessons, computer workshops, implements educational projects and programs, provides educational databases.

INFORMATION - observes an increase in the demand for up-to-date and reliable information, prepares bibliographic statements, directs to sources, conducts interlibrary loans, all library processes are completely automated in the SOWA (OWL) computer programme.

CULTURE - satisfies aesthetic experiences, the need for entertainment, leisure and local integration, organizes exhibitions, vernissages, competitions, meetings with authors, runs discussion clubs, implements regional activities, provides free space for local informal groups.

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THE LIBRARY IS OPEN TO EVERYONE - WITHOUT EXCEPTION!

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Word... The Chrzanów Library collects, develops and makes available, and comprehensively and creatively goes beyond the traditional tasks of the library – digitizes, educates and integrates...

as – CENTRE FOR THE CULTURE OF KNOWLEDGE AND SOCIAL LIFE.

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It works according to the maxim TO EXIST IS TO BE SEEN.

What counts: IDEA + CREATIVE LIBRARIAN + ENGAGED USER/PARTNER = SATISFIED READER = INCREASE IN STATISTICS.

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ADULT READER IN THE LIBRARY – takes an active part in education, learns and works

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IT LENDS OUT A BOOK COLLECTION

Here is LENDING DESK FOR ADULTS: it offers a rich and interesting collection of books: fiction, scientific and popular science books, academic textbooks, school readings, guides,

tourist guides, as well as books for learning foreign languages and literature in original languages. Visually impaired people will also find books from the Big Letters series here. The Lending Library carries out subscriptions, prolongations, reservations and orders.

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THE MULTIMEDIA

Here is the MULTIMEDIA SECTION that provides DVDs and Blu-ray discs, music discs, audiobooks and robots, tablets and readings.

It provides readers with access to free Internet and the opportunity to listen to available materials.

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BENEFITS ON SITE

IN THE READING ROOM SECTION:

which provides access to scientific and popular science collections from various fields of knowledge, current and vintage local and nationwide journals

provides access to free Internet at several computer stations and the possibility of using a scanner, printer or camera.

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IT USES REGIONALIA.

THE REGIONAL INFORMATION DEPARTMENT:

which collects documents, literature and press related to the Chrzanów County, which are an invaluable source of information about the socio-cultural, economic and historical life of the region.

In the department, regional databases of the Chrzanów County are developed, publishing activities are carried out.

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USES online library databases available through the website

<https://www.mbp.chrzanow.pl>

CENTRAL CATALOGUE

REGIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY

ISSUE FILE

CATALOGUE OF DOCUMENTS OF SOCIAL LIFE

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USES THE CULTURE CARD

LIBRARY CARD = CULTURE CARD

Library together with institutions and entrepreneurs as part of the project.

The Culture Card has created an offer of library services as well as bonuses and discounts in the area of cultural activities with library partners.

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AN ADULT IS EDUCATED... by participating in classes, min in:

DON'T BE AFRAID OF THE MOUSE – computer courses

SENIOR ON THE ROAD – multimedia lectures

A WEEK WITH THE INTERNET – a nationwide campaign

WORLD'S ENTREPRENEURSHIP WEEK – A GLOBAL CAMPAIGN

ABOUT FINANCE IN THE LIBRARY – a nationwide project

MAŁOPOLSKA (LESSER POLAND/Mažoji Lenkija) FESTIVAL OF INNOVATION – regional campaign.

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AN ADULT IS EDUCATED IN A LIBRARY

Taking part in: library tours and thematic library lessons.

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ADULT EDUCATES REGIONALLY

co-creating the DIGITAL ARCHIVE OF THE CHRZANÓW COUNTY – a database of documents and photographs

publishing in the REGIONAL LIBRARY – a series of publications about the region

lecturing at WSZECHNICA CHRZANOWSKA – a mini regional university

participating in the REGIONAL FORUM – an annual series of lectures and discussions

taking part as a VOLUNTEER – in regional and library activities

implementing EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS - in the subject of the region.

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ADULT EDUCATES children regionally, e.g. at EASTER REGIONAL WORKSHOPS, led by volunteers from the Circle of Rural Housewives.

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Examples of regional projects:

The SOLIDARITY IN INDEPENDENCE project received funding from the National Centre for Culture as part of the "Culture – Interventions 2020" programme.

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The "DooKOŁA Fabloku" project, implemented in 2021. It included, among others: audiovisual workshops, designing urban games, a competition for a mural in urban space.

Above - a symbolic unveiling of a mural near the library depicting
Chrzanów locomotive - the symbol of the city.

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film – mural / fragment

This is how the design mural was painted by the winner of the competition.

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ADULT READER IN LIBRARY

He takes part in the broadly understood culture, co-creates it, spends his free time, rests, pursues his passions...

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All cultural activities related to the book and the library are carried out by the DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY PROMOTION AND DISSEMINATION OF READING, cooperating with local schools, organizations, institutions, associations, private individuals. Joint activities result in many activities in the field of entertainment, leisure and integration: exhibitions, vernissages, competitions, meetings with authors, literary discussions, reading campaigns, urban happenings...

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HERE ARE SOME EXAMPLES OF CULTURAL ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT WITH AN ADULT READER.

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INSIDE THE LIBRARY AND IN THE OPEN AIR IN FRONT OF...

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EXHIBITIONS AND VERNISSAGES

non-professional creators, thematic...

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ACADEMY OF WORDS, i.e. literary meetings, associating local poets and poetry lovers.

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DKK – THE BOOK DISCUSSION CLUB

The oldest club in Lesser Poland has been operating since 2006, once a month club members read a selected book and discuss it. They are guided by the principle that CONVERSATION IS AN EXTENSION OF THE PLEASURE OF READING

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Film – DKK/ fragment

Person 1: For me, the Book Discussion Club is an extension of my studies, I have a given reading and I can talk about it with intelligent people....

Person 2: This is a conversation about a book... this is an adventure...

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MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

with well-known Polish and foreign writers

Katarzyna Bonda – Polish author of crime novels

David Unger, Guatemalan writer

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NATIONAL READING

Every year since 2012, adult readers have applied to take part in a nationwide campaign, during which a selected work of Polish literature is read throughout Poland.

The library organizes THE NATIONAL READING always in the form of a city happening.

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National Reading – "Quo Vadis" by Henryk Sienkiewicz.

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LIBRARY WEEK 8-15 MAY

Nationwide reading campaign promoting the book and libraries

Adults solve literary crosswords...

Adults read outdoors...

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EUROPEAN SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT WEEK 16-22.09

As part of this European campaign, the library implements the EKO-CHRZANÓW project, which is co-organized by the Municipal Office in Chrzanów. The campaign promotes the city of Chrzanów as an environmentally friendly place, pro-ecological behaviour, healthy lifestyle and sustainable transport: collective transport, bicycle, pedestrian traffic.

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Video- ETZT- abbreviation

During the Week, many events are organized, including THE RALLY OF CHRZANÓW CYCLISTS and THE LIBRARY PICNIC ON TWO WHEELS.

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YOU DON'T READ I'M NOT GOING TO BED WITH YOU!

An interesting fact may be the example of a campaign during which adult readers declared that they LOVE BOOKS WITH ALMOST PHYSICAL LOVE. It was our little provocation... There was a bed in the library that encouraged reading...

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CHRZANOWSKA MAJÓWKA (The Chrzanów Picnic)

3 May – on the day of the adoption of the 1791 POLISH-LITHUANIAN CONSTITUTION, librarians and readers are co-organizers of The Chrzanów Picnic... It is a great opportunity to integrate in a patriotic spirit and at the same time great fun with words and epochal outfit.

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ADULT READER IN LIBRARY.

The library also opens its doors wide to LOCAL INFORMAL GROUPS who pursue their passions here.

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Bridge, Salsa.

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ADULT IN LIBRARY is both YOUNG and SENIOR
BORROWS, READS, LEARNS

TALKS, DISCUSSES, LOOKS FOR INSPIRATION, SHARES PASSIONS, EXCHANGES
VIEWS, CONFRONTS TASTES
PLAYS, PRACTICES, PAINTS, DANCES, SINGS, RECITES etc...

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What do we enjoy most about working with an adult reader?

Empathy, a good word and the fact that in the Municipal Public Library in Chrzanów they
always feel at home.

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Thank you for your attention!

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