

Martin Luther King Jr. Branch Library

Atlanta-Fulton County Library System

LOCATION:

Atlanta, Georgia

CLIENT:

Atlanta-Fulton County Library System

PROJECT DATA:

renovation
adult reading area
children's library and story area
media area
administration offices

4,124 sf total

SERVICES:

Programming
Interior Design/FFE
Construction Administration

COST:

\$382,000

DATE OF COMPLETION:

2004

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The client's objective was to build a functional and durable neighborhood branch library with a hip feel to appeal to teenagers and children. The library space available was in a historic laundry building in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Historic District in downtown Atlanta.

The programmed spaces are layered from the front of the space to the rear, with the circulation desk and children's area near the entrance, computer desks in the middle and the stack areas at the rear. An elevated floor area at one end of the space contains an adult reading area and administrative offices. Three carpeted seating levels at the floor elevation change were designed for use as a children's reading area.

Library shelving with metal shelves and trim with frosted glass end panels were selected to provide a contemporary feel. Upholstered furniture uses a durable ultrasuede material in jewel tones of purple, green, yellow, and red to enliven the space.

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