

SUGGESTED ROUTE

Follow the perimeter of the library, counter-clockwise from the entrance.

This is only a guideline, you need not hit all of these points.

Toronto Dailies

- 4 dailies and periodicals

Tables and Public Terminals

- welcome to use space for work, reading, relaxing, etc.

Members' Reading Room

- space is for Members only

Great Reads and Non-Fiction

- can sign up to receive Great Reads email

Library Timeline

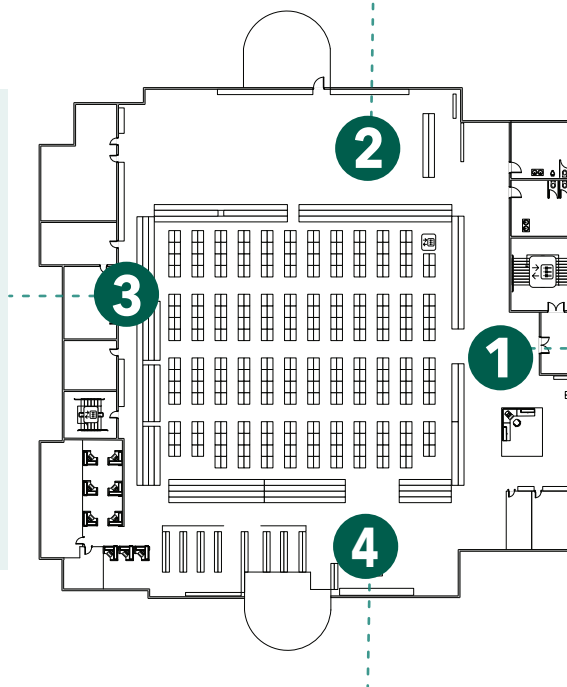
- We have been in our current location for over 100 years
- briefly discuss the fire and how it impacted the library specifically
- If interested, choose specific points on the timeline to highlight OR see "Fun Facts" section on reverse

Current Data File (CDF)

- subject and bio files of former and current MPPs sourced from newspapers and periodicals

Ontario Gazette and Statutes

- we have statutes and journals from the Legislative Assembly of Upper Canada, if interested



FRONT ENTRANCE

Display Cases

- change monthly/seasonally
- welcome to visit and view displays

Proclamation

- created the province of Ontario prior to confederation

Bills

- Ontario Bills dating back to confederation

Hansard

- Hansard dating back to 1944, printed on onion skin with very limited distribution

Press Releases

- Government and political party press releases dating back to the 1970s

Committee Exhibits

- Committee exhibits can be viewed on request

*show table by the Reference office and remind client they are free to use the library space

QUICK TOUR GUIDE (2018)

This guide is designed for walk-ins who want a quick tour of the library

It should take 5-10 minutes, depending on client's level of interest

Services

Customized Research

- We answer MPP and staff (including constituency offices) research and information questions
- We are a **unique service** unlike any library that they may have used in the past
- We have **Research Librarians** with expertise in a variety of subject areas, and work with **Research Officers** in Whitney
- We will do the searching, filtering, and analysis for them on any topic and deliver the answer in whatever format they want to receive it- **don't spend too long looking for answers, call us.**

Loans and ILLs

The library provides **materials for loan** from our collection and can facilitate **interlibrary loans**

Orientation and Training

The library provides **general orientation sessions** as well as **customized training** (e.g., eLaws, Hansard, Bills, etc.)

Library History

- Ontario has had a Legislative Library since Confederation
- Upper Canada had its Legislative Library beginning in **1816**. The Province of Canada had one too.
- Since **1912** we've been located here in the Main Building on the 3rd floor
- The Research service was established in **1979**

Library Fires

- There have been a number of fires since **1816**
- Since Confederation there has only been one fire - the fire of **1909**
- The fire destroyed the west wing of the Main Building, and with it, the Library
- A small number of books were saved

Hours

8:30-5:00 or 10 minutes after the House rises

Our service is:

- **Confidential, non-partisan, reliable**
- We work **to your deadlines**

LLRS Stats

- Library: 8 RLs, 8 circ techs, 2 part time PCS techs
- Research (at full capacity): 14 ROs & 2 embedded librarians
- Print collection has **over 200,000** items
 - over 45,000 items in Dewey
 - over 160,000 items in GovDocs
 - over 1000 Great Reads
- In 2017, the library responded to **over 3000 client requests**

Fun Facts about Collection

Old items include:

- *Grammatica Latina*, the oldest book in the library, dating back to c.1490
- Beeswax impression of the Great Seal of Upper Canada, in use between 1792 and 1817
- Upper Canada House of Assembly Journal, First Parliament, First Session from 1792
- The 1st Upper Canada Gazette from April 18, 1793

Follow Up

- Let them know that **more in-depth training** can be arranged at a later date for members or staff.
- Suggest that they **set up an account at Circ** on their way out - it helps us get their contact info!