

Acquiring a library card

After completing a temporary registration through either our website or the Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC) in the library, go to the second floor's Main Desk to complete your registration. You need identification which both has your name and address on it, such as your health insurance card.

The following lists the people eligible for acquiring a library card

- People who reside, work or go to school in Ishikawa Prefecture
- People who reside in Tokai-Hokuriku area (Toyama, Fukui, Gifu, Aichi, Mie Prefectures)

Things you can do at the Self-Service Station

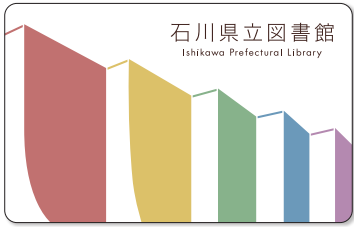
There are machines for Online Public Access Catalogue (OPAC), book lending and seat reservation machines in various different locations within the library.

- OPAC allows you to find the books or the magazines you are searching for via the author, the title and other means.
- The book lending machine allows you to borrow the books you want in bulk with the use of your library card. (By reading the bar code on your library card, inputting the number of the books)
- Please use the "seat reservation machine" to make a reservation for the places marked **Reservation** in the floor guide on the back.

Number of books to borrow :
Up to 10 books per person

Period for borrowing books :
3 weeks (can be extended once)

When returning the books, use the "Book Drop". When the library is closed, return to "Book Drop" at the south door.

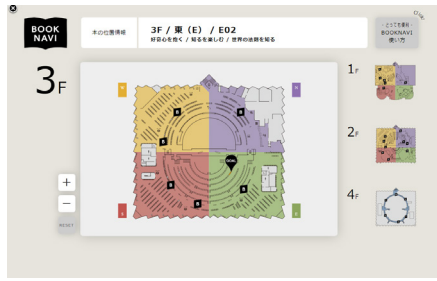


The motif of the exterior, like turning the pages of a book, is decorated with Kaga's traditional five colors.



How to find the book you are looking for

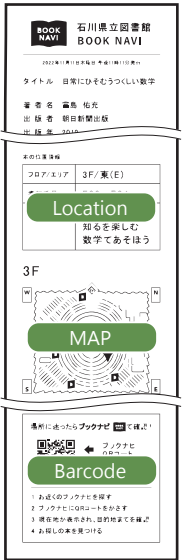
Once you found the book you are searching for on the OPAC, you can click the **MAP** button and it will display, which floor, space and shelf the book is located. Then you can print out a receipt listing the book's location and basic information.



Destination bookshelf map



Book Navi



Receipt

Archives and Historical Public documents

In this library, there are not only books, but also historical public documents, valuable old records and archives. Such collections are searched for through "Integrated Search" machines in the library easily and speedily. (Through SHOSHO ISHIKAWA website, you can search the collection similarly.)



石川県立図書館
Ishikawa Prefectural Library

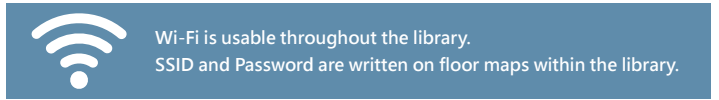
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Main Library Area hours Tue.-Fri. 9am to 7pm Weekends and Holidays 9am to 6pm
Activity Area hours Tue.-Fri. 9am to 9pm Weekends and Holidays 9am to 6pm

Closed Mondays (unless it is a holiday, it would be the following weekday)
New years, and special closures for maintenance

Parking Enough space up to 400 cars. The first 30 minutes are free, after that every 30 minutes is 100 yen.
By inserting the parking ticket into "Parking Fee Discount" machines in the library, you can park first 3 hours for free.

Bus stop Get off at "Prefectural Library" or "Sakiura / Prefectural library entrance"



Ishikawa Prefectural Library Website

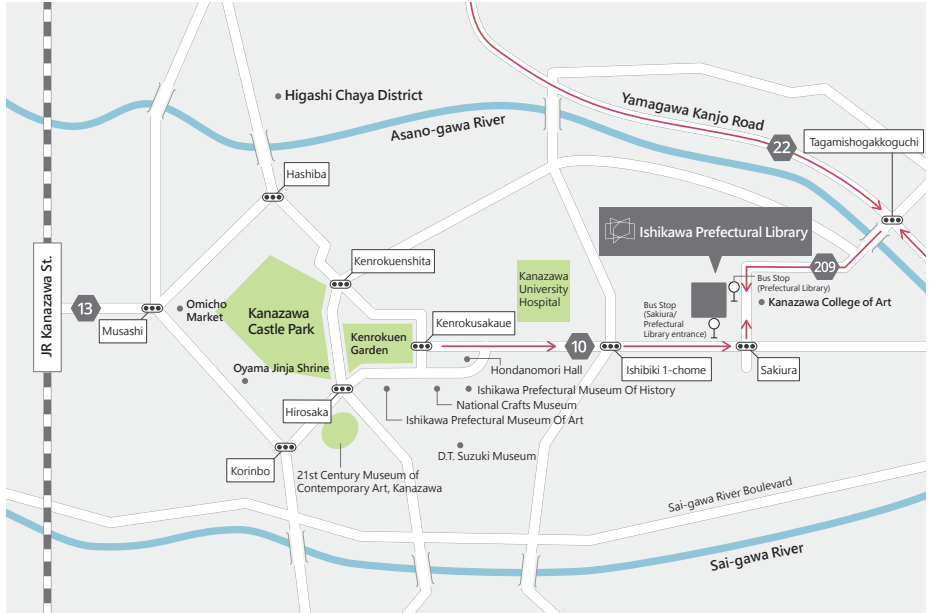
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Guide



A place where you can turn a page in your life through unexpected encounters and experiences with books.

300,000 books that you can pick up and 500 reading seats where you can spend your time freely.

A place of exchange full of intellectual vibrancy.

Please enjoy the place of exchange filled with various encounters.

► The library is separated into 3 parts : Main Library Area, Children's Area, Activity Area.

Main Library Area (1-4F)

In this area, lined with books that you can pick up. There are circular bookshelves lined with "12 themes to meet books", shelves lined with books by the standard categories, and various seats that you can enjoy according to your mood of the day.

Children's Area (1F)

It is a place where you are able to enjoy parents and children together. There are not only books but also other ideas to have fun by moving your body and you can get absorbed in many things.

Activity Area (1-2F)

In this area, having with not only books, but also various functions for people, collections, and information to gather and interact. Visitors can spend their time as they wish, by participating in events, studying, reading, etc. .

► You can eat and drink freely in the Activity Area and the dining space in the Children's Area. Elsewhere, only drinks with lids are allowed.

► Our library is a "library for conversation". Except for Silent Reading Room, chatting and using mobile phones are allowed within the service area.



Special Arrangement of books ~ 12 Themes to meet books ~



The library's 4 story vaulted ceiling forms a circular browsing space called "Central Atrium", in which the inner most space displays about 70,000 books based on original 12 themes that are familiar to you. In the area of "12 Themes to meet books", you can enjoy browsing a variety of books, like window-shopping, according to your interests in everyday life or the mood of the day.

Outside of the inner circle of books is where the rest of the library has its collection of books, separated into categories.

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| 1 Raising Children | 2 Thinking About Work | 3 Broadening Your Lifestyle | 4 Experiencing Literature |
| 5 Expressing Yourself | 6 Moving Your Body | 7 Being Curious | 8 Discovering The World |
| 9 Getting To Know Japan | 10 Learning From Different Lives | 11 Exploring The History Of Books | 12 Ishikawa Collection |

The library is divided into five areas, and each area is color coded with Kaga's traditional five colors. On the ceiling, there are flags dyed in each color, indicating each area. Corridors and furniture are also color coded.



Floor guide

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FLOOR

① Ring Aisle

Top floor of the Main Library Area with a circumference of about 160 meters. According to the theme "Exploring The History Of Books", many historical archives, both domestic and international resources are arranged. In various places, you will find sofas and chairs for viewing ease.

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② Reference Desk

If there is something that you'd like to know and don't know how to look into, please visit here. Also if you would like to view historical archives including public documents, please consult our staff.

③ Archive Reading Room

④ Database Searching Area

Reservation

You can access information in the National Diet Library and browse our databases of newspapers and government newsletters.

⑤ Silent Reading Room

Reservation

26 booths are available under a quiet condition for those who wish to concentrate on studying and reading.

⑥ Bridge

You can have a 360° view of the library. You can enjoy special cozy seats for reading while viewing a splendid void space.

⑦ Audiovisual Area

Reservation

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FLOOR

⑧ Main Desk

You can register your ID and get your library card from this desk. You can also request to use Copy Area and to order the other library's books that are not in our library.

⑨ Reserved Book Booth

⑩ Exhibition Space

This is the area where we sometimes have collaborations with outside organizations for special exhibitions. We also have a line up of books that deal with the topic for your viewing pleasure and easy understanding.

⑪ Group Study Room

Reservation

You can reserve one of our four rooms for group activities or studying. Each room can handle 2-6 people and is equipped with a whiteboard.

⑫ Internet PC

Reservation

⑬ Makers Workspace

This area has a 3D printer, laser cutter and more equipments for making something to hold workshop projects and events that are related with the exhibition in the library.

⑭ Seminar Room

Rent

⑮ Study Space

This area provides tables, individual seats and benches for self-study, reading, work and meetings.

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FLOOR

⑯ Front Desk

⑰ Book Theme Introductions

Window shape showcases and digital displays that are introductions of each category of "12 Themes to meet books". Tried various measures so that those who do not read books in their daily life find an unexpected book and feel like picking up it.

⑱ Ishikawa Collection

Special Exhibition of "Traditional Culture" and "Satoyama-Satoumi (ecological livelihood with nature / Biological and cultural diversity)" with crafts, tools as well as books.

⑲ Children's Area

Area for both parents and children where they can choose a favorable seat according to their mood or age. Besides reading, children can enjoy moving their body with athletic furniture or at outside playground that is designed in the motif of Ishikawa's "Satoyama (local mountain environment where people lead a life)".

⑳ Stairway Plaza

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A lecture space or an event space with about 140 seats available. You can use freely to read or to study when there is not an event happening.

㉑ Food Culture Lounge

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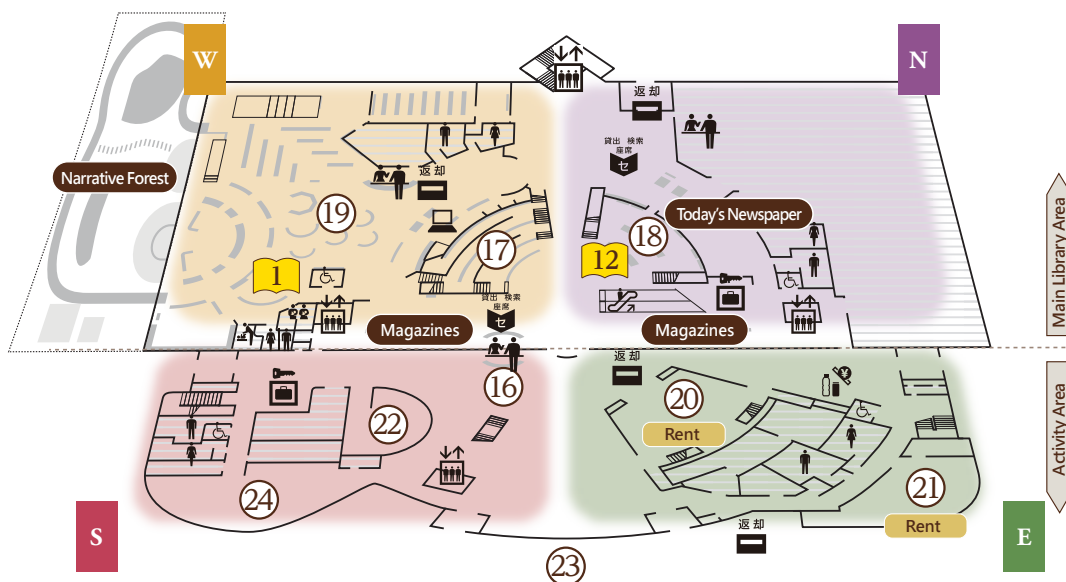
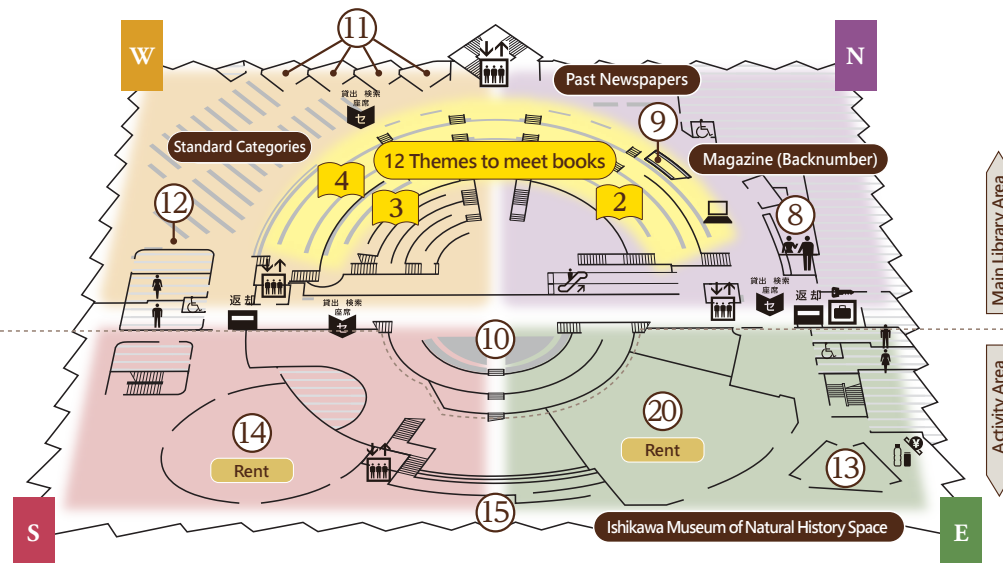
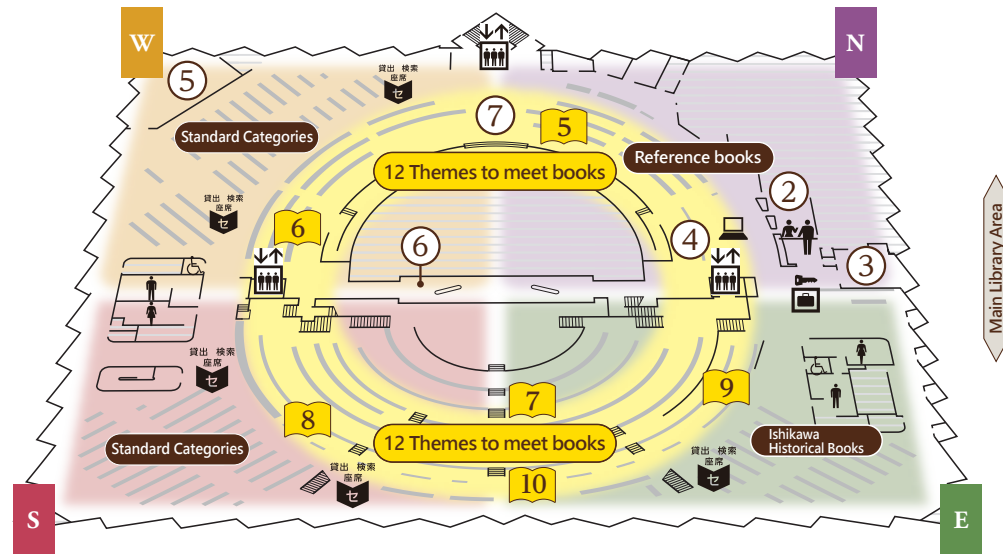
An open kitchen used for cooking events, experiences and classes equipped with monitors above for easy viewing.

㉒ Bookrium

A kind of digital projection like a planetarium. Once a user pick up one word, books are collected as if they were a group of stars. An experience of cozy art space that you feel like staying for a long time.

㉓ Outdoor Square

㉔ Café HUM&Go#



Rent The mark on the left is a place where you can rent exclusively. The reservation is available from 6 months before the first day of the month of your reservation. For details, please visit our website (Japanese only).

Reservation The mark on the left is a place where you need to reserve seating. You can also reserve seating in specific areas on-line.

Key	Desks	Bathrooms	Accessible Bathrooms	Nursing room	Diaper Changing Table
Elevator	Book Drop	Lockers	Vending Machines	Self-Service Station	Search PC etc.