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**NASHVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY EXPANDS METRO ARTS LENDING LIBRARY
COLLECTION TO SEVEN LOCATIONS**

*Partnership brings Nashville's popular art borrowing
program to five more branches*

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Nashville Public Library is making its Metro Arts Lending Library collection even more accessible, adding 53 new works of art and introducing the program to five additional branches.

Library cardholders can now borrow original artwork at seven locations across the city, including East Branch, Donelson Branch, Green Hills Branch, Hermitage Branch and Old Hickory Branch, which join the existing Madison and Southeast branches.

A collaboration between Nashville Public Library and the Metro Nashville Arts Commission, the Lending Library features a diverse collection of framed paintings, photographs and mixed media pieces by Nashville artists. Library customers can reserve artwork online and pick it up in person at the owning branch library, to borrow for up to three months.

Since its launch in 2021, the Lending Library has given residents an innovative way to experience local art while providing financial support to artists and enhancing Nashville's public art collection. The collection now totals 113 pieces, creating even more opportunities for the community to discover the city's creative talent.

Get more information or browse the collection [here](#).

About Nashville Public Library

With more than 1.5 million books, movies and music items to choose from — plus great programming and resources to improve early and adult literacy, STEAM, ESL, and other key skills — NPL is Nashville's gateway to some of the best resources our city has to offer. Every year, across our 21-location system, thousands of visitors discover how our library lives up to our philosophy: At NPL, books are only half the story.

Learn more at library.nashville.org.

About Metro Nashville Arts Commission

Metro Arts' mission is to drive a vibrant and equitable community through the arts. Metro Arts strives to ensure that all Nashvillians have access to a creative life, and we work toward this goal through community investments, artist and organizational training, public art, and direct programs involving residents in all forms of arts and culture. More information about Metro Nashville's public art collection is available at www.metroartsnashville.com/public-art. Read Metro Arts' cultural equity statement at www.metroartsnashville.com/equity.

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