## Welcome to the

# **Highlands Branch**

The Highlands Branch has served northeast Edmonton since 1962, starting in a storefront before moving into a small cottage fondly known as the "Little House Library." A purpose-built facility, Highlands opened in 1964 and served the area for decades. In response to growing demand, a new LEED® Silver-certified building designed by Schmidt Hammer Lassen and Marshall Tittemore opened in 2014.

Today, the Highlands Branch serves a diverse group of neighbourhoods including Bellevue, Eastwood, Elmwood Park, Highlands, Montrose, Newton, and Virginia Park. Surrounded by schools, daycares, parks, and community leagues, the branch hosts more than 500 programs each year and plays a vital role in local life and learning.







## **Features and Spaces**

#### **Public Art**

The program room features a striking fused glass mural created by artists Dana Videla and Rostislav Rusev of Flux Glass Studio. Installed in October 2014, the artwork was made possible through a generous bequest from community member Adelaide Anne Hnidan, who specified in her will that the funds be used for a meaningful community project. Her gift now adds beauty and inspiration to a space dedicated to learning and connection.

#### **Program Room**

Bright, open, and fully accessible, the Highlands program room is thoughtfully designed for comfort and flexibility. The space features high ceilings, natural light, and a sliding glass door leading to the main floor, expanding its accessibility and capacity, while a small viewing gallery from the first floor offers a unique perspective into the space.

Capacity: 60 people

#### Includes:

- Large Screen TV with HDMI, VGA, and AUX inputs
- 8 folding tables
- 60 chairs
- Kitchenette with sink and counter space

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## **Services and Amenities**

- Printing, scanning, photocopying and faxing
- 15 public computers
- Free Wi-Fi
- 24-hour item return chute
- · Easy access to multiple bus routes and a few blocks away from the LRT
- Bookable program room
- Community gallery space
- Early literacy iPads
- Home delivery
- Cricut vinyl cutting
- Settlement services
- Early literacy, digital literacy, and other programs for all ages

### **A Natural Haven**

The Highlands Branch garden was redesigned and planted by the Edmonton Horticultural Society shortly after the new building opened in 2014. Inspired by the naturalistic style of renowned garden designer Piet Oudolf, the space was created to offer beauty in every season. Spring brings bright blooms like gladiator allium and daffodils, while summer features vibrant sage and echinacea. In fall and winter, dogwoods and ornamental grasses provide colour and texture, making the garden a year-round highlight for visitors.

#### **Awards**

LEED® Silver Certification



Ward: Métis

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**Branch Hours:** 

Monday to Thursday: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Sunday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

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