

# Maintaining Relevant Libraries

DESIGN | REFURBISHMENT | REINTEGRATIONS



It is critical libraries develop a future plan; a vision of how the space, technology and collection will evolve in order to maintain relevance and in turn, support. Drawing on his vast experience consulting to over 2000 libraries Internationally, Kevin Hennah has developed a showcase of best practice in library design, layout and visual merchandising strategy. Included are hundreds of impressive photographs of makeovers at all budget levels, highlighting that innovation is not dependant on a big budget.

**With an emphasis on practical ideas and achievable advice, this workshop provides detailed guidance on:**

- Maintaining a relevant print offering
- Layout initiatives proven to significantly increase usage stats
- Integration of technology
- Contemporary seating solutions and learning spaces
- Innovations in library-specific signage
- Creating future focused school libraries that offer a viable point of difference over classrooms
- Inspirational ideas for decoration and decor

Kevin's advice is reinforced by impressive loan statistics provided by schools that have actioned his recommendations.

Kevin Hennah's background includes many years consulting to established retail brands. In 2002 he made the transition to work with libraries on strategies to maximise productivity of space, improve presentation and maintain relevance. He has a passion for libraries and has delivered keynote presentations and workshops throughout Asia, The USA, Canada, Europe, The United Arab Emirates, New Zealand and Australia.

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## PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK | EDUCATION

“Well worth travelling 1661 kilometres (to attend). I have taken so much away”  
**Jo Corcoran. Highfields State High School. Queensland, AUSTRALIA**

“Extremely inspirational and chock-full of creative and ‘do able’ ideas!”  
**Jaya Van Praagh. Southpoint Academy. Vancouver. CANADA**

“Very Inspirational with lots of usable ideas that work with all budget sizes. Thank you so much!”  
**Lilian Tousdell. West Vancouver School District. CANADA**

“Very Inspiring. Lots of new ideas, even though this is my third time attending one of your presentations. Thank you”  
**Shirley Chan. Renaissance College. HONG KONG**

“All librarians can use a dose of Kevin’s logic and understanding about what makes a relevant, contemporary library. I would recommend him without hesitation”  
**Rebecca Battistoni. Anglo American School of Sofia. BULGARIA**

“A real professional, with design genius and actual real-world experience both in libraries AND retail. Inspiring!”  
**Suji DeHart. QSI Shekou. Shenzhen. CHINA**

“Practical, pragmatic ideas we can use. I loved it and am leaving newly inspired to forge ahead with change”  
**Christine Sousa e Sa’. St Julians School. PORTUGAL**

“Amazing ideas. I can’t wait to get back to my library and purge and weed!”  
**Eileen Ray. Aiglon College. SWITZERLAND**

“Kevin was informative and inspiring.  
This is spot-on what I needed to hear as we are about to design three new library spaces”  
**Paige Spilles. The American International School of Muscat. OMAN**

“Invigorating – Professional – Creative – Timely – Thought-provoking – Spot-on!”  
**Carol Clark. American International School of Dhaka. BANGLADESH**

“Beyond my high expectations. Provoking me to action”  
**Amanda Bond. Istanbul International Community School. Istanbul. TURKEY**

“Thank you for a superb workshop, I’ve learned so much! I must say that this was the best workshop & PD that I have ever been to”  
**Sarah Handley. Prem International School, Chiang Mai. THAILAND**

“Great to finally make it to a Kevin Hennah presentation. It lived up to the hype. Lots of work to do now. Exciting!”  
**Kathryn. Luther College. Victoria, AUSTRALIA**

“Refreshing and affirming. Every Librarian should take the opportunity to hear Kevin”  
**Alison Hewett. Kristin School. NEW ZEALAND**



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## PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK | PUBLIC LIBRARIES

“I feel I have no more excuses! Our space will change for the better. So inspired by Kevin’s signage, layout, design ideas – all possible on our budget”

**Nancy Barnes Trimm. Gunnisoon County Libraries. Colorado. USA**

“Pertinent, professional, perceptive, thoughtful and targeted presentation.  
One of the most informative and educational days”

**Allan Caddy. Bassendean Memorial Library. WA. AUSTRALIA**

“What a great breath of fresh air. An experienced professional who can explain in everyday language where libraries can improve and be relevant to their communities”

**Michelle Head. Albury City Libraries. New South Wales, Australia**

“I have attended each of (Kevin Hennah’s) workshops and always leave inspired to make changes which do get results”

**Nicole Pitts. Singleton Library. New South Wales, Australia**

“Lots of food for thought and so many practical ideas. The most relevant training I’ve been to for libraries”

**Alison Woodward. Roxby Downs Community Library. South Australia**

“Great ideas and energetic presentation. Useful realistic changes that can be implemented”

**Susan Gray. Mundijong Public Library. West Australia**

“ Well presented and very informative. Creative and inspiring”

**Karen Brooker. City of Darwin Libraries. Northern Territory. Australia**

“Great ideas, different perspective, eye-opening! Thank you”

**Caroline Hopper. Sunshine Coast Libraries. Queensland, Australia**

“Jam-packed with ideas and inspiration. Kevin is an engaging, delightful and knowledgeable presenter”

**Kellie Taylor. South Perth Libraries. West Australia**

“So many great ideas that should be easy to implement to increase usage of the library”

**Ian Stone. City of Bayswater Public Library. Victoria, Australia**

“A lot of new and provocative ideas were raised. It’s really changes my perception of what libraries can be in the future”

**Kate Burbeck. Alice Springs Public Library. Northern Territory, Australia**



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