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## **Silver Lake Branch, the Newest Branch of the Los Angeles Public Library, Celebrates 10 Years in the Community**

**Los Angeles** (November 6, 2019)—The Silver Lake Branch, the newest and most technologically advanced branch of the Los Angeles Public Library, will celebrate 10 years of serving the community on Saturday, November 16, at 3:30 p.m. at 2411 Glendale Blvd.

“We welcome the public to join us for this event, hosted by staff and Friends of Silver Lake Branch Library, as we reflect fondly on the library’s past and look forward to an exciting future,” said Lisa Palombi, the branch’s Senior Librarian.

The event will kick off with a branch re-dedication, followed by the creation of a time capsule and refreshments. For more information, call (323) 913-7451.

When the Silver Lake Branch opened in 2009, it marked the conclusion of the largest library building program in the United States. The branch is the most automated library in the Los Angeles Public Library system and the City’s first to use an RFID (radio frequency identification) automated book check-in and sorting system with a computerized conveyor belt designed to increase efficiency and accuracy of book returns.

The library is also “eco-friendly” with low-flow plumbing and irrigation to reduce water use by 30 percent, and was built with renewable materials and designed to meet the U.S. Green Building Council’s Platinum LEED standards as an environmentally sustainable design. The 13,600 square-foot library, designed by M2A Milofsky, Michali & Cox, features special areas for children, teens and adults, a multi-purpose room and a grand piano.

A recipient of the nation’s highest honor for library service—the National Medal from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the Los Angeles Public Library serves the largest and most diverse urban population of any library in the nation. Its Central Library, 72 branch libraries, collection of more than 6 million books, state-of-the-art technology accessible at [www.lapl.org](http://www.lapl.org), and more than 25,000 public programs a year provide everyone with free and easy access to information and the opportunity for life-long learning.

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