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Check out the City of Ann Arbor [1] website for information on all the city has to offer, including movie theaters and museums!

Libraries

The Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti and U-M libraries offers books, magazines, audio books, music CDs, videos, and access to computers with Internet service.

Ann Arbor District Library [2]
343 S. Fifth Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI (main branch)
734.327.4200 (for all locations)

Other branches are located around the Ann Arbor area:
3090 East Eisenhower Parkway
Ann Arbor, MI (Malletts Creek Branch)
2713 Plymouth Rd.
Ann Arbor, MI (Northeast Branch)
2503 Jackson Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI (West Branch)
2359 Oak Valley Dr.
Ann Arbor, MI (Pittsfield Branch)

Ypsilanti District Library [3] (two branches)
5577 Whittaker Road
Ypsilanti, MI
229 W. Michigan Ave.
Ypsilanti, MI

U-M Library System [4]
734.764.9373

U-M operates a large number of libraries in the Ann Arbor area and beyond. Please refer to the library's list to see the various locations [5]. A non-student may obtain a “guest borrower” card for a fee. Pass is good at most U-M libraries; some restrictions apply.

Arts and Cultural Activities

Entertainment, such as theater, dance and music, can be found year-round in Ann Arbor. For an excellent overview of both campus and Ann Arbor, look at Arborweb [6]. Here are some highlights of what the University of Michigan has to offer:
University Musical Society (UMS) [7]
Burton Memorial Tower
881 North University Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI
734.764.2538
This organization programs top international orchestras, avant-garde performing groups, soloists and more. Most performances are held at Hill Auditorium, Power Center, and Rackham Auditorium.

University of Michigan School of Music [8]
E.V. Moore Building
1100 Baits Dr.
Ann Arbor, MI
734.764.0583
Presents drama, dance, opera, and musical theater productions. Most performances are held at Lydia Mendelssohn Theater (Michigan League), TrueBlood Theater (Frieze Building) and Power Center.

University of Michigan Museum of Art [9]
525 S. State
Ann Arbor, MI
734.764.0395
African, American, Asian, European, Middle Eastern and modern and contemporary collections. Also, often have special exhibitions.

Shopping
A useful directory of local shopping, including malls, groceries, international food markets, discount stores, resale shops, and more is contained in the U-M International Center's Shopping in Ann Arbor [10] guide.