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Lloyd Library Announces Phased-In Reopening

Effective July 1, the Lloyd Library will reopen for collection use. Whether searching for gardening tips, current or historic scientific information, environmental studies, or artistic inspiration, the Lloyd Library can serve as a resource. Collection access is part of a phased-in approach that will eventually accommodate exhibition viewing and in-person programming. Dedicated to health, wellness and civic responsibility, the Lloyd's goal is to operate in a manner that promotes safety and health for employees, visitors and the community. We will conduct the Library's business in compliance with local, state and federal regulations and recommendations, as well as the evolving best practices for libraries and cultural institutions.

Health and safety precautions include increased cleaning of the facility with special emphasis on high contact surfaces, an upgraded hospital-quality air filtration system, social distancing protocol, and limits on visitor capacity. Daily health checks will be conducted of all employees and a health/contact tracing questionnaire will be required with each visit. Face coverings for visitors and employees are mandatory. Special hours will be available for at risk individuals. And, materials will be quarantined for 48 hours after their use and prior to making them available to new researchers.

Research in any of the Lloyd collections, including periodicals, rare books, and public reference materials, will be open **by appointment only**. To schedule an appointment, <u>contact</u> the Lloyd Library at (513) 721-3707. Upon scheduling an appointment, researchers will receive a copy of the <u>researcher safety policy</u>.

Members of the Lloyd team have already returned to work and can assist with remote reference assistance. We continue to release new digital content, including <u>online exhibitions</u>, complete works from the collection, guides to local resources, and timely articles written by guest contributors. Watch for the launch of a Lloyd Library podcast and video programming, coming this summer. The Lloyd Library looks forward to increased accessibility of its resources, while providing the safest environment possible.

The Lloyd Library and Museum is a world-renowned independent research library and exhibit space devoted to bringing science, art and history to life. The Library was established by three brothers who manufactured botanical drugs in Cincinnati beginning in the late 19th century, and focuses on medicinal plants, botany and pharmacy. The Lloyd Library and Museum is free and open to the public. Located at 917 Plum St. in Cincinnati, Ohio, Lloyd is open to researchers Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. and the third Saturday of the month. For more information, visit www.lloydlibrary.org.