Abstract

The Bandung City Public Library is a public facility that plays a role in enhancing the literacy culture of the community, particularly in Bandung. Unfortunately, its location within the same building as the Bandung City Archives and Library Office has led to a decrease in visitor interest. This is supported by observations and interviews with community members and librarians, who state that the library has an unappealing spatial atmosphere. Observing the phenomena at the library, the transformation in reading habits has shifted from the trend of libraries as storage and reading centers to libraries as spaces for interaction and collaborative learning (learning centers). This change indicates that societal habits have influenced the current library trends. Through literature review analysis, a placemaking design method focusing on uses and activities and sociability was identified. This method is used to design the new Bandung City Public Library to meet user needs with adequate facilities and create a spatial atmosphere relevant to the community. Thus, the Bandung City Public Library is expected to adapt to societal habits and become a literacy center that enhances the reading interest of the surrounding community.

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