

# Linda Hall Library

## Annual Report 2012



INFORMATION FOR THE WORLD

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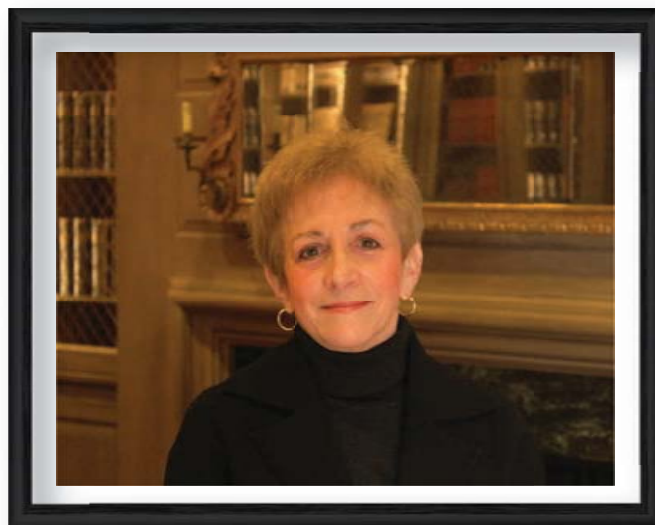
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## President's Message



The term *glocal* was coined in the 2009 movie, *Up in the Air*, to advance the technology-driven notion that everything that is local is also global, and vice versa. Within the film's context this idea misfires, but for libraries seeking to provide information to anyone regardless of location, *glocal* is a useful concept.

The Linda Hall Library provides "Information for the World," and a look back at the Library's 2012 achievements illustrates its global impact. Whether supplying digital copies of technical reports and scientific papers to the 262 member libraries of the Center for Research Libraries; hosting resident scholars from Korea, Germany, Italy, and the U.S.; or uploading lecture videos that were viewed in 104 countries on six continents, the Linda Hall Library has extended its international reach while significantly enriching Kansas City's cultural climate through exhibitions, lectures, and the availability of its more than one million volumes to anyone wishing to use them.

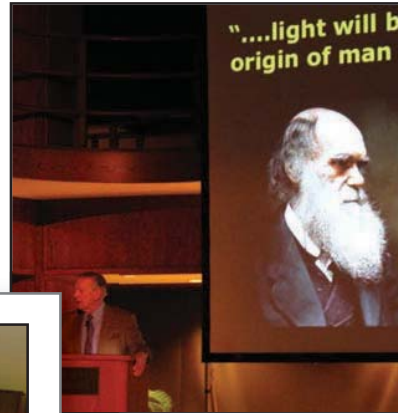
We are *glocal*. Come see for yourself.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa M. Browar".

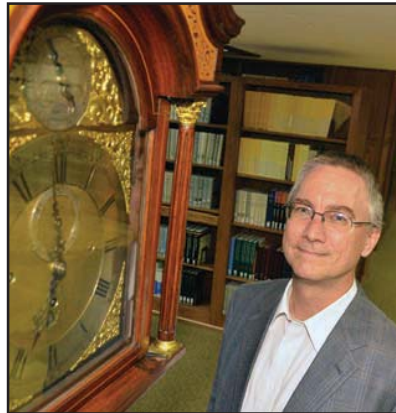
# Programs: Public Education in the Sciences



Brian Fagan prior to his lecture at the opening of the exhibition, *Blade and Bone*.



Anthropologist Donald Johanson discusses his discovery of the early hominid *Lucy*.



Christopher Ekstrom of the U.S. Naval Observatory poses next to Linda Hall's grandfather clock.



A full house anticipates the beginning of a lecture.

335

average number of attendees per lecture



6,019

visitors to lectures and exhibitions



104

countries where lecture videos were watched



13,785

online views of lecture videos since 2010





# Programs: Public Education in the Sciences

## Exhibitions

**March 29 – September 14, 2012**

*Blade and Bone: The Discovery of Human Antiquity*

**September 27, 2012 - March 15, 2013**

*On Time: The Quest for Precision*

## Lectures

**February 23**

Paul D. Bartlett, Sr. Lecture

“The Evolution of Economic Irrationality: Insights from Monkeys”

Laurie Santos, Yale University

**March 15**

“Moonwalking with Einstein: The Art and Science of Remembering Everything”

Joshua Foer, 2006 U.S. Memory Champion

**March 29**

“Cro-Magnon: How the Ice Age Gave Birth to the First Modern Humans”

Brian M. Fagan, University of California, Santa Barbara

**April 24**

“Lucy’s Legacy: The Quest for Human Origins”

Donald Johanson, Arizona State University

**May 3**

“Neanderthal Genome Project: New Insights into Human Evolution”

Richard Edward Green, University of California, Santa Cruz

**May 10**

“The Pleistocene Meets Middle Earth: The Significance of the Indonesian Hobbits for Interpreting Human Evolution”

Matthew Tocheri, Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of Natural History

**June 14**

“Breaching Mountains, Crossing Deserts: Building the First Transcontinental Railroad”

Kyle Wyatt, California State Railroad Museum

**July 18**

“Faith and Facts, Experience and Expedience: A Comparison of Protestant and Catholic Perspectives in 17th and 18th-century Theories of the Earth”

Francesco Luzzini, University of East Piedmont, Italy

**September 13**

“Railroaded: The Transcontinentals and the Making of Modern America”

Richard White, Stanford University

**September 27**

“What Time is it Anyway?: Clocks, Timescales, and How the World Decides What Time It Is”

Christopher Ekstrom, U.S. Naval Observatory

**October 11**

“The Quest for Longitude”

Dava Sobel, Author and Historian

**October 22**

“Myth, Math, and the Measure of Maya Time”

William Saturno, Boston University

**November 8**

“Powering the Future: 21st Century Railroad Technology”

Lembit Salasoo, GE Global Research



Laurie Santos delivers the 10th Annual Paul D. Bartlett, Sr. Lecture.

# Staff: Fulfilling the Mission

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Nancy Officer welcoming guests to a lecture.

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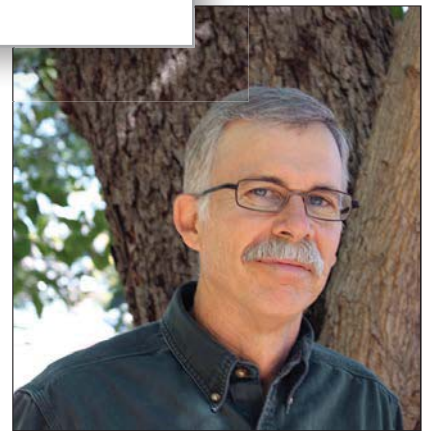
Technician Mike Walker, left, explains digitization to guest speaker, Kyle Wyatt.



Paula Volk, Vice President of Finance and Administration.



Librarian Kathy Alshouse retires after 42 years of service.



Scott Reiter, Groundskeeper of the Library's 14-acre arboretum.

247,846

items used



13,370

reference questions  
answered



14,918

items cataloged



3,463

conservation  
treatments



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Terry and Zulema Bassham attend a reception for guest speaker Matthew Tocheri.



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Dr. Richard Gentile in the West Exhibit Gallery.



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*Robert and Sally West at the  
10th Paul D. Bartlett, Sr. Lecture.*

# Philanthropy: Supporting the Mission



Donald Johanson discusses paleoanthropology with lecture guests.



President Lisa Browar, guest speaker Christopher Ekstrom, and Dr. James and Mrs. Francie Flynn at the opening of the exhibition, *On Time: The Quest for Precision*.



Resident Fellow Francesco Luzzini views rare books and replica hominid skulls in the exhibition, *Blade and Bone: The Discovery of Human Antiquity*.



Board of Trustees Chairman Marilyn Hebenstreit views rare books in the History of Science Center.

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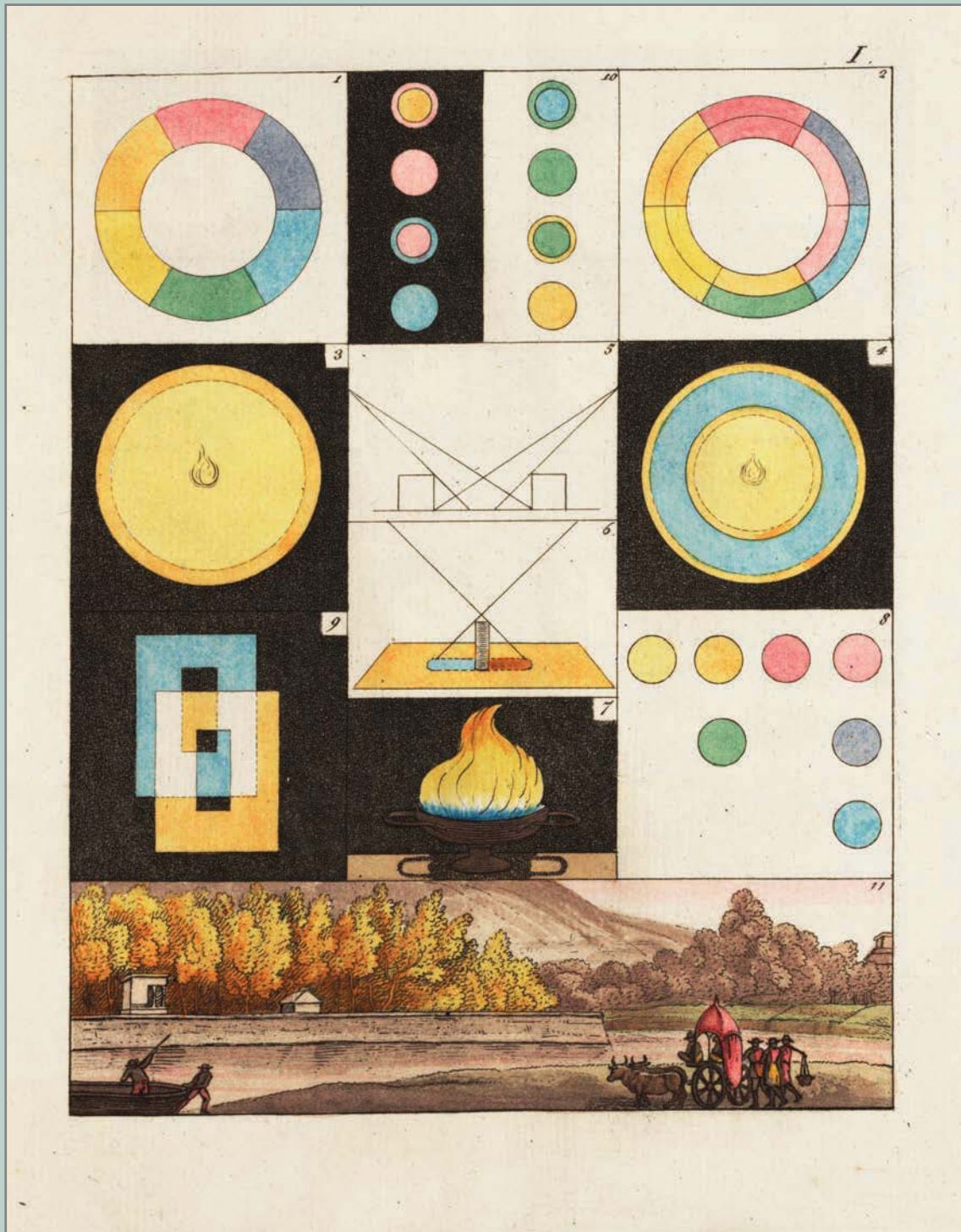


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# Collections: Intellectual Heritage



**Above:** Color chart from Johann Wolfgang von Goethe's *Zur Farbenlehre* (1810), a new addition to the History of Science collection. **Facing page:** Pacific Railway map, left, and timeline image, top, from the Library's Transcontinental Railroad history website; bottom, Botanical lithograph from Edward Smith, *A Grammar of Botany* (1822).



# Collections: Intellectual Heritage



46,412

serial titles  
in the collection



1.1 million

volumes  
in the collection



45

miles of  
shelving

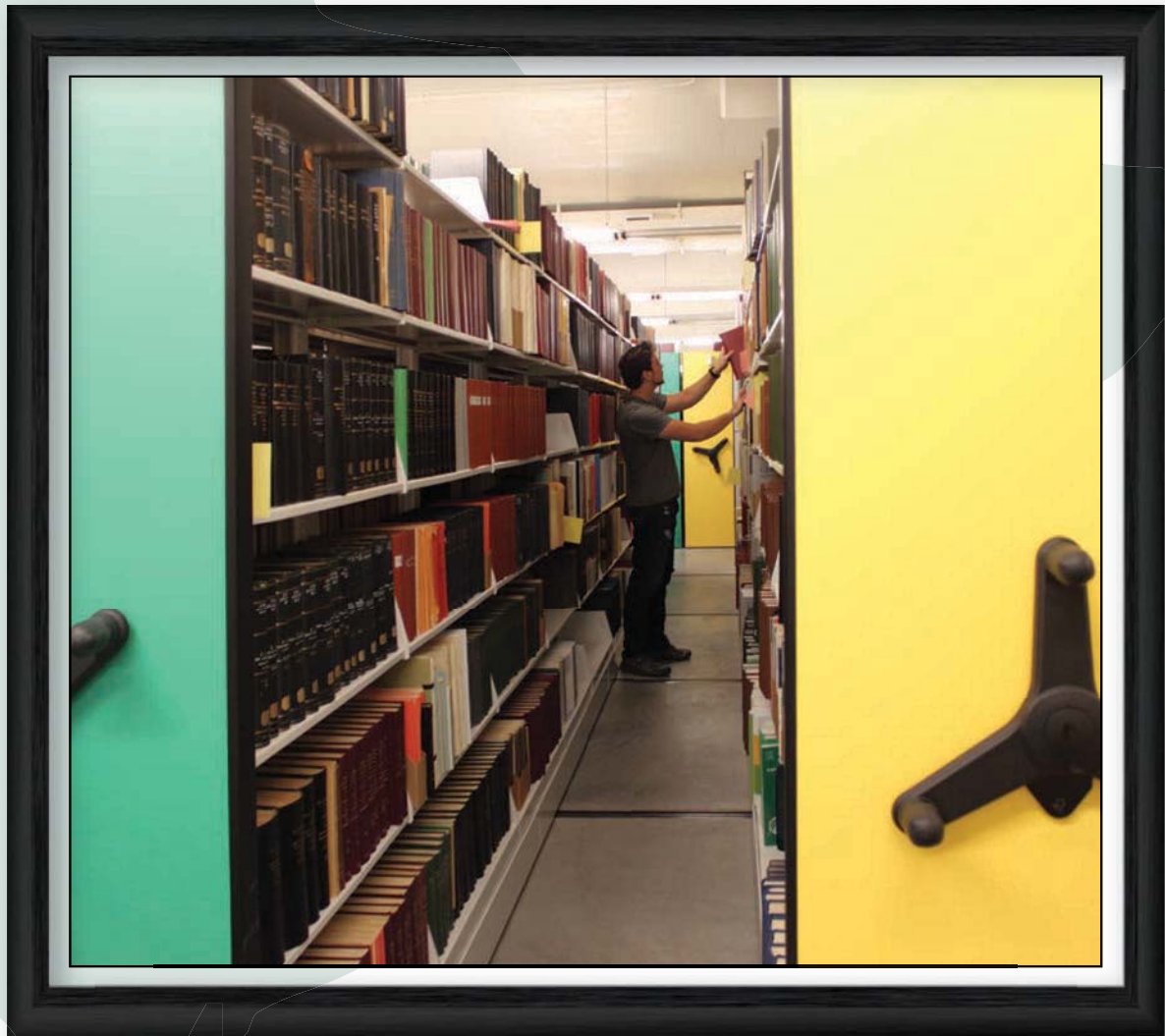


69

languages represented  
in the collection



# Document Delivery: Information for the World



37,911

document delivery  
requests  
received



66

countries with  
filled requests



30

percent of filled requests  
in languages  
other than English

31

different languages  
used in  
filled requests



## Fellows: Research and Scholarship

*“The Linda Hall Library is a key site for research in engineering societies of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries ... As far as my project is concerned, the holdings of the Linda Hall are more complete than the holdings of any other American library.”*

Dr. Adelheid Voskuhl



August 2012 and April 2013  
Dr. Adelheid Voskuhl, Associate Professor,  
Department of the History of Science,  
Harvard University



May-July 2012  
Dr. Francesco Luzzini, Research Fellow,  
Department of Humanities, University of  
East Piedmont, Italy



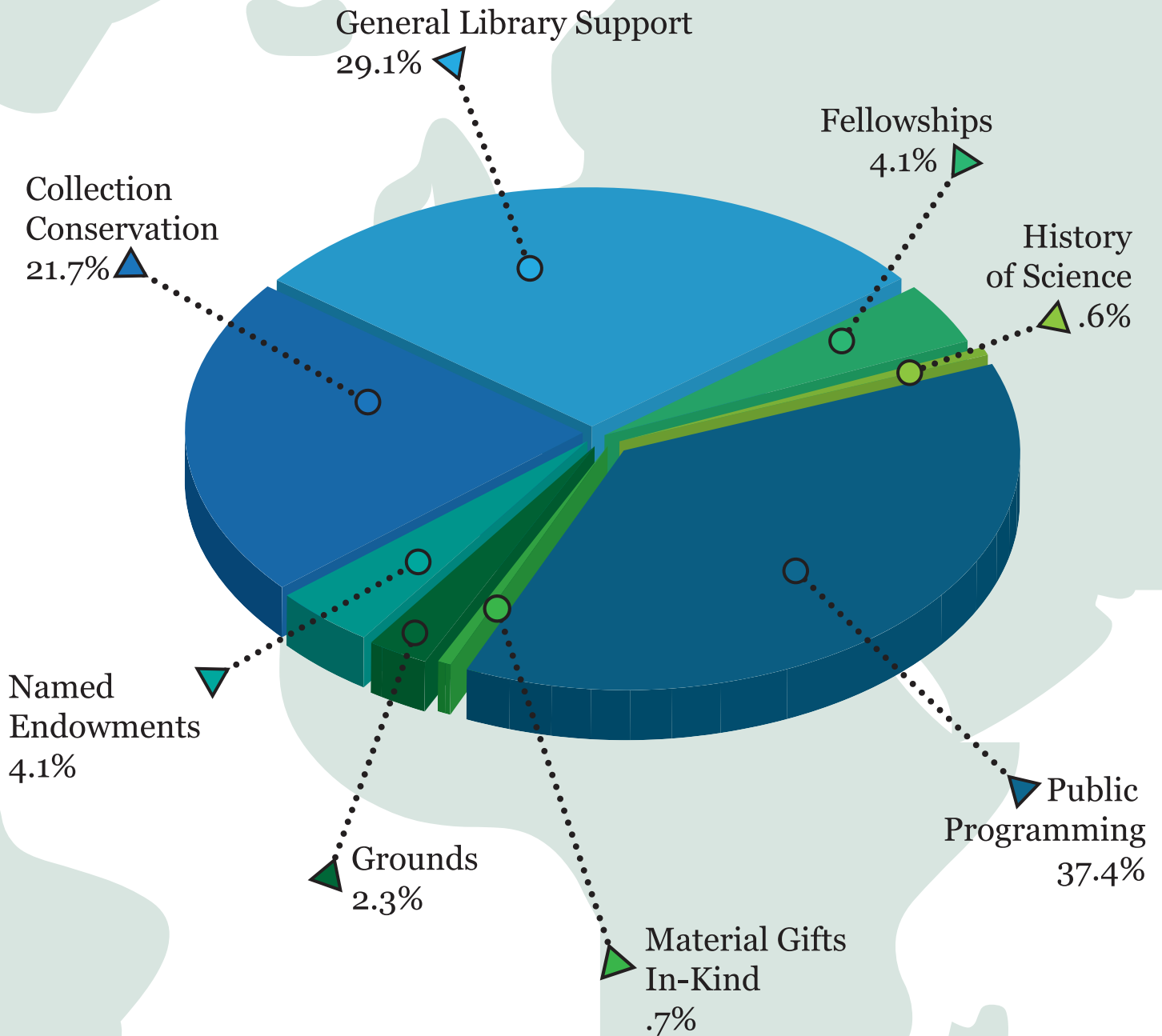
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## *Allocation of Contributions*

# Mission Statement



*The Linda Hall Library is a guardian of the collective intellectual heritage with regard to science, technology, and engineering disciplines; a destination for advanced research and scholarship, and a center for public education in the sciences.*

*Additionally, the Library's grounds are maintained as an urban arboretum that is open to the public for education and enjoyment.*