

Santa Barbara Public Library System  
Collection Policy Addendum  
**INDEPENDENTLY PUBLISHED BOOKS**

The Santa Barbara Public Library will establish a *Local Authors* shelf in one or more branches.

Books will be placed on the shelf as follows:

- Authors must be Santa Barbara County residents, or the book must take place in Santa Barbara County, or otherwise demonstrate a strong local interest, and be appropriate for a popular collection.
- Books for the Local Authors collection will be accepted as donations from the author or publisher; however, at the discretion of the collection development librarian, a book may be considered for purchase if published reviews in standard sources are available or there is strong evidence of appropriateness.
- Brief listing for the book will be created in the Library Catalog, so that borrowers may access them by title or author.
- Books will be processed with a barcode and SBPL ownership markings. They will not be jacketed, bound, or covered. Loose leaf or spiral bound books will not be accepted for the collection.
- Items will be clearly labeled as belonging to this special collection.
- Items will rotate out of the collection and may be withdrawn after one year, unless they have circulated regularly.
- Materials that are donated become the property of the Santa Barbara County Public Library System and as such cannot be returned to the donor.