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Raheem Richardson

Librarian

A head librarian with seven years of experience specializing in collection management, library science, and research. A proven track record of managing and developing collections for a premier public library with over 9,000 materials.

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Philadelphia, PA

EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Library Science

Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA
June 2017

KEY SKILLS

- Library science
- Collection management
- Database management
- Teaching
- Research

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Head Librarian | Philadelphia Public Library, Philadelphia, PA
October 2020 - Present

- Manage a collection of over 9,000 library materials, oversee a \$300,000 annual operating budget, and identify opportunities to enhance ease of access for library users, resulting in a 20% increase in patron satisfaction
- Lead the development of the library's collection, securing over 1,000 new acquisitions in alignment with contemporary trends and user needs
- Provide exceptional support to patrons and deliver information literacy training sessions to over 500 users regarding research and library technology

Assistant Librarian | Philadelphia Public Library, Philadelphia, PA
June 2017 - October 2020

- Collaborated with the head librarian in cataloging and classifying library materials and driving collection development efforts, resulting in over 1,500 new print and digital books
- Supported library patrons in locating materials, obtaining resources, and utilizing library technology, contributing to an 88% satisfaction rating on patron surveys

CERTIFICATIONS

- Professional Librarian Certification, State of Pennsylvania | June 2017