

# APPLICATION FORM

## LIBRARY DATA

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**Library name:** Armand Cardona i Torrandell

**Address:** C/Menéndez Pelayo, 15-17

**City:** Vilanova i la Geltrú

**Country:** Espanya

**Phone:** 93 815 91 21

**Webpage url:**

[http://www.vilanova.cat/html/tema/bm/ac/armand\\_cardona.html](http://www.vilanova.cat/html/tema/bm/ac/armand_cardona.html)

**Contact 2.0: Facebook page, Blog's url, etc.**

blog: <http://www.vilanova.cat/blog/armandcardona/>

facebook: biblioteques vilanova i la geltrú

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**Title:** Directora

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## LIBRARY DESCRIPTION

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Please, mark the characteristics of your library (mark all those appropriate):

Metropolitan library

Rural library

Library service with branch libraries

Mobile library

Children and Young Adults Library

Library with less than 1,000 inhabitants

Library between 1,000 and 5,000 inhabitants

Library between 5,000 and 10,000 inhabitants

Library between 10,000 and 20,000 inhabitants

Library between 20,000 and 30,000 inhabitants

Library between 30,000 and 100,000 inhabitants

Library between 100,000 and 200,000 inhabitants

Library between 200,000 and 500,000 inhabitants

Library with more than 500,000 inhabitants

## MORE INFORMATION

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Please, tell us a bit more about your library, pictures are also welcome:

**Short description:** The Armand Cardona library is located in Vilanova i la Geltrú, a coastal village, at just 45km from Barcelona (Catalonia). It's a young library, opened in 2003 and has a surface of 1583 m<sup>2</sup>. It's placed on the so called Sant Joan's neighbourhood, a zone with a great number of high schools. The library has three big and different spaces: the adults department (with Wi-Fi access), the audio, video and periodicals area and the children's area. The library also has two group workrooms, a workroom with computers and an small auditorium.

### **Current library programs:**

- Reading incentive activities for children: storytelling activities, workshops, reading groups and user education programs for elementary and middle school students.
- Reading incentive activities for adults: book launches, reading groups, exhibitions, workshops...
- Promotion of our specialized collections: the library has an important comic books collection and a special area with all the information related to becoming mother and father. The library also has some interesting materials about an important XXth century informalist

painter, Armand Cardona Torrandell, whose name was given to the library.

- Accessibility: the library tries to make easier the access to disabled people, specially to those deaf and blind. The library has a collection of adapted books, where sign language is graphically reproduced. We also have Braille books and sign language learning handbooks. We also organize some special activities such as storytelling performances with a sign language interpreter. The library also provide to those who needs it handy magnifying glasses and has a computer with an screen reader program (JAWS).

**Please tell us about the kind of activities you would be interested in doing with your sister library:**

**We would like to exchange experiences and information with libraries that has needs or programs similar to ours.**

- Reading incentive programs for adults and children
- User education programs for children and young people
- Promoting our special adaptation for children of the UDC system
- To have contact with libraries related to some painter.
- Specialized collections promotion.
- To know of with libraries that have an special sensitivity to people with disabilities.

**Languages your staff speaks:**

Catalan, spanish, english, italian, catalan sign language.

**Languages users speak/read:**

Catalan, spanish, english, french, arabic, german...

**Preferred countries for cooperation:**

Belgium, Croatia, Czech Republic, Finland, Ireland, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia and Spain

**Please, tell us a bit about the features of the library that ideally you would like to cooperate with:**

Exchange information and experiences with libraries specially interested in:

- Comics
- Accessibility
- User's education programs
- Children and young people publics
- Reading incentive programs

### **EUROPEAN UNION PROGRAMS**

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**Please, indicate if you are searching partners in other countries for any European Union project:**

YES

NO

**If yes, for which projects?:**

**Please, indicate if you are participating in any European Union program:**

YES

NO