Libraries Evolving to Meet Community Needs

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The One Constant in Libraries is Change

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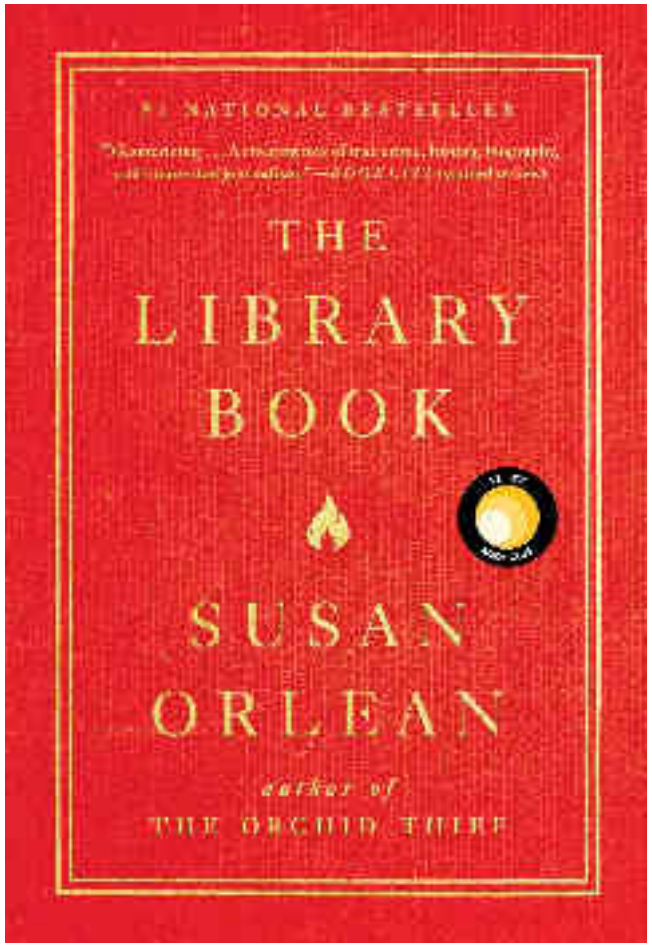
The Library as Facilitator



"The future of libraries is a combination of a people's university, a community hub, and an information base, happily partnered with the Internet rather than in competition with it."

John F. Szabo

The Library Book
by Susan Orleans

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DIGITAL DIVIDE

Digital divide is the gulf between those who have ready access to computers and the Internet, and those who do not. Here are some figures to put things in perspective:

World Bank data shows nearly 60 percent of the world's people are still offline and can't fully participate in the digital economy

Six billion people do not have high-speed broadband Internet, almost four billion do not have any Internet access and nearly two billion do not have a mobile phone

In Africa, the richest 60 percent are almost three times more likely to have Internet access than the bottom 40 percent

In the European Union, three times more citizens use online services in the richest countries than in the poorest, with a similar gap between the rich and the poor within each country

The better educated, the well connected, and the more capable have received most of the benefits—and the gains from the digital revolution have not been widely shared

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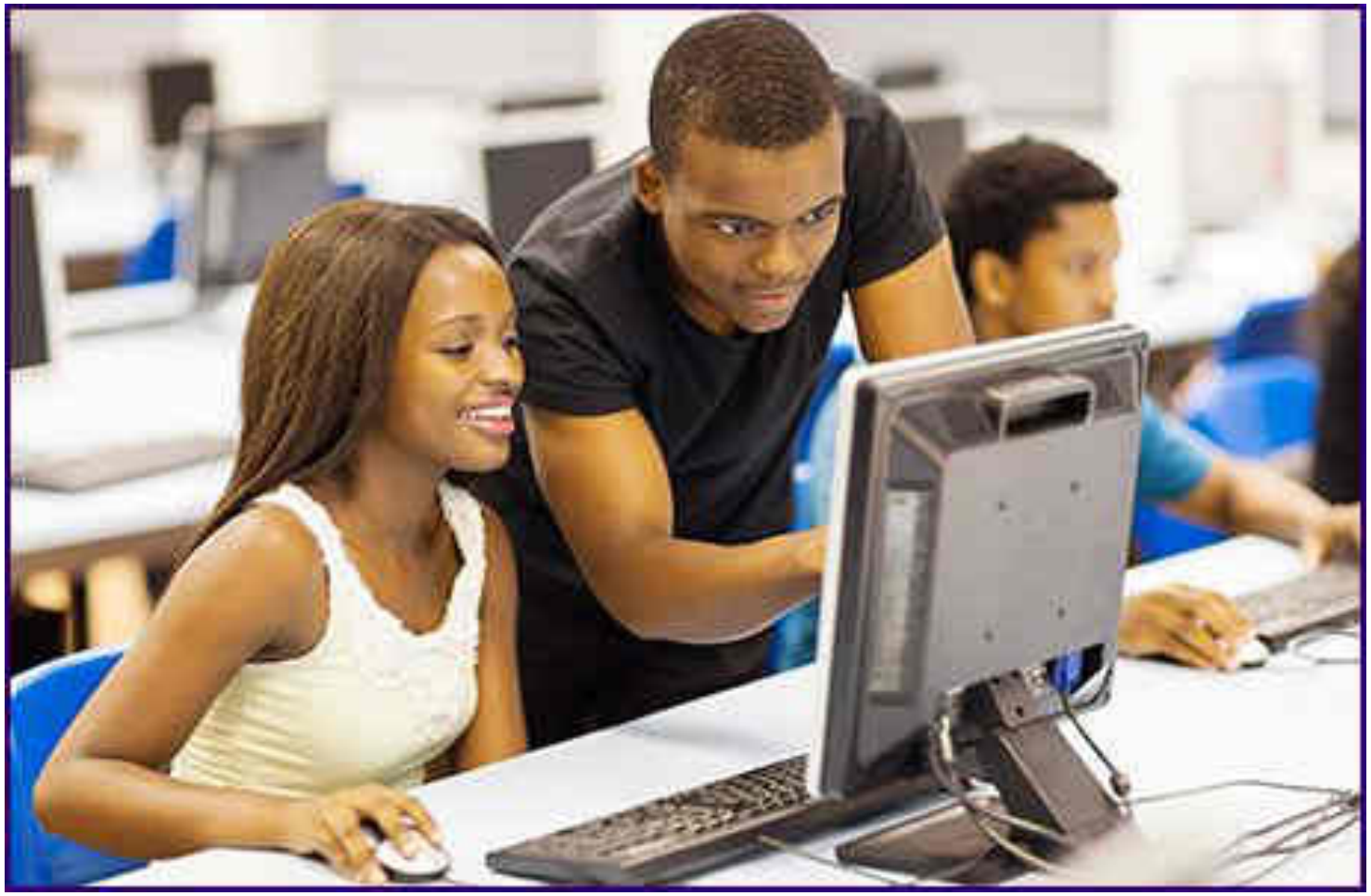

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girls who code

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Library Partnership with Tech Businesses and Non-Profits

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