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Libraries – Almost As Popular As The Movies

Territory Libraries are attracting hundreds of thousands of people a year and proving to be one of the most popular cultural venues for tourists and locals alike.

The Minister for Local Government, Rob Knight today welcomed a report by the Australian Bureau of Statistics which says apart from the movies more people visit libraries than any other cultural venue.

‘Territory libraries offer a huge range of services from traditional book lending to internet access and public events,’ said Mr Knight.

‘Our premier reference library, The Northern Territory Library attracts over 200 000 people a year.

‘People are using the library for research, to attend talks from guest authors and a growing number of tourists visit the library to access general information on the Northern Territory.

‘The online services provided by the NT Library are also constantly evolving and in great demand.

‘You can now be almost anywhere in the world and with an NT library membership you can access online resources to assist in research and learning.

‘I encourage people to visit the Northern Territory Library and their local library, you never know it could be better than a movie.’

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