

The National Library of Aruba

Transforming Education, Transforming Lives: A Path Towards the Next Generation

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Key Facts

- Official Name: **Aruba**
- Capital City: **Oranjestad**
- Official Languages: **Dutch, Papiamentu**
- Languages Spoken: **Dutch, Papiamentu, English, Spanish**
- Currency used: **Aruban Florin (1 AWG = 0.56 US \$)**
- Population 2019: **106.008**

The image shows the exterior of the Biblioteca Nacional Aruba. The building has a modern design with a blue upper section and orange lower sections. The name 'biblioteca nacional' is written in large, white, lowercase letters on the blue part of the facade. A white light fixture is mounted on the blue wall. In the foreground, there is a paved area with yellow and orange tiles. A person is sitting on a blue bench to the right, and a bicycle is parked on the left. The sky is blue with some clouds.

biblioteca nacional

- The National Library of Aruba, whose official name is Biblioteca Nacional Aruba, is the only National, Public/Community library on the island
- The Biblioteca Nacional Aruba also has a branch in San Nicolas.
- The Library is a Government Institution and resorts under the Minister of Education, Science and Sustainable Development
- Established: August 20th 1949

San Nicolas Branch



Extraordinary murals on the building of the library branch in San Nicolas. This was done during Art Fair 2018. The Library in San Nicolas is now part of the Street Art Gallery. The library building was relaunched on March 21st, 2019



Mobile Tech Lab

4 QUALITY
EDUCATION



9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION
AND INFRASTRUCTURE



It is an innovative and sustainable project built in a bus, equipped with the latest technology, among them 3D printers, computers for coding, internet-of-things and robotics. The bus visits different schools to provide additional and different activities with opportunities to experiment

B-Lab

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Makerspaces are so important in Public Libraries because they give people of all ages the opportunity to gain knowledge on their own through hands-on exploration. The possibilities are endless and can range from being tech-based, such as 3D printing and multi-media, to art carts and building stations.

Mobile Tech Lab & B-Lab

Partnership with Metabolic Foundation and Futura Lab. A collaborative project for the Aruban Community.

The project is financed by the European Union, 75%, and by the Government of Aruba, 25%.



RENVOOI.

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| 2 | Teging van de baai | 53 | Berg Kleine Jamanola. |
| 3 | Paarde baai | 53 | " " Focchina |
| 5 | Diep Oranje Stad. | 54 | " " Barbaguet |
| 7 | Fort Zoutman | 55 | Rode bier |
| 8 | Laggen ploeveraadbaar.) | 56 | Perlatene zeyn. |
| 6 | Zandput | 57 | Ruine van Prins. |
| 7 | Ferach water put. | 58 | Ferach water gracht |
| 9 | Motaden | 59 | Ponten |
| 9 | Maariceni | 60 | Onger Directeurs woning |
| 10 | De Fluit | 61 | Rooij Fluit |
| 11 | Park holkoven | 62 | " " Kleine Fluit |
| 12 | Indische koe | 63 | " " Elzard |
| 13 | Groot gat | 64 | " " Becarrie |
| 14 | Kommandeur baai | 65 | " " Boven drie Kok. |
| 15 | Synische laggen. | 66 | " " Pan blanco |
| 16 | Reemse kerkten. | 67 | " " Focchina |
| 17 | Panden | 68 | " " Para boote |
| 18 | Zoutpan (Kans geroepend.) | 69 | " " Achinse |
| 19 | Holken gracht | 70 | " " Maubana |
| 20 | Smooze berg | 71 | " " Jamanola |
| 21 | Kristal berg | 72 | " " Pedro eacheer |
| 22 | Hoey berg | 73 | " " Benoum drie Kok. |
| 23 | Blind berg | 74 | " " Galistei |
| 24 | Berg Cornachiti | 75 | " " Doinarie |
| 25 | " " Parawam | 76 | " " St. Lucie |
| 26 | " " djo | 77 | " " Barkaguet |
| 27 | " " Motaden | 78 | " " Hoerichana |
| 28 | " " St. Lucie | 79 | " " Anna Broet |
| 29 | " " Gualavaria | 80 | " " Allicavandi |
| 30 | " " drie Kok | 81 | " " Pikhana |
| 31 | " " Jamanola | 82 | |

N.B. Goud
Zileer

$\frac{1}{72000}$ der ware grootte of 72 Reeden op den duim

10 Mylen



Innovative Partnerships for the Goals to safeguard cultural heritage

International cooperation, safe off-island storage / backups, national digitization standards, cross-linkages with other (cultural) institutions



Quality Education and Lifelong learning as a path to Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

Democracy, Transparency and Open Access to Information, Good Governance and Transparent Institutions through stimulating information literacy and providing access to (government) publications.



LIBRARY MAP OF THE WORLD



Number of
Libraries



Libraries with
Internet Access



Full-time
Staff



Volunteers



Registered
Users



Physical
Visits



Physical
Loans



Electronic
Loans

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Catering – young people, youngsters, children and youth through the Sustainable Development Goals



17 PARTNERSHIPS
FOR THE GOALS



Libraries
sustaining
communities
(and vice versa)

Annual Sustainable Education Symposium engaging the youth

VIII Sustainable Education Symposium 2019

Theme: **Community Gardening**

- Host and founding partner
- Partnering with Government Department for Agriculture, Husbandry and Fisheries
- Public / private partnerships for sponsorship of the program

Sustainability in libraries

Focus on the Youth

12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION



13 CLIMATE ACTION



14 LIFE BELOW WATER



15 LIFE ON LAND



UNITED NATIONS
INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY

**2019
TRANSFORMING
EDUCATION**

The Youth of Aruba
ages 10-24 years¹:
20,668 youngsters

**51%
Male**
10,541



**49%
Female**
10,127

The highest level of education of 15-24 year olds,
not attending school²:

- Less than primary education
- Primary education
- Secondary education



%
16.1%
80.6%
3.2%

The literacy rate of 15-24 year olds² by sex:

Males
99.0%

Females
99.3%



Total
99.1%



The participation rate of 15-25 year olds in organized learning by sex:

- Males 97.1%
- Females 95.7%
- Total 96.4%



Source: ¹ Quarterly Demographic Bulletin, 2nd QRT 2019 (DBSB, CBS Aruba), ² Aruba SDG Baseline Measurement (2018), Indicator Working Group



National Standard and cooperation for Digital Durability / Heritage Preservation

- Partnering with Aruba National Archive

Support from:

- The Netherlands Institute for Sound & Vision
- Wiki goes Caribbean
- Archive.org



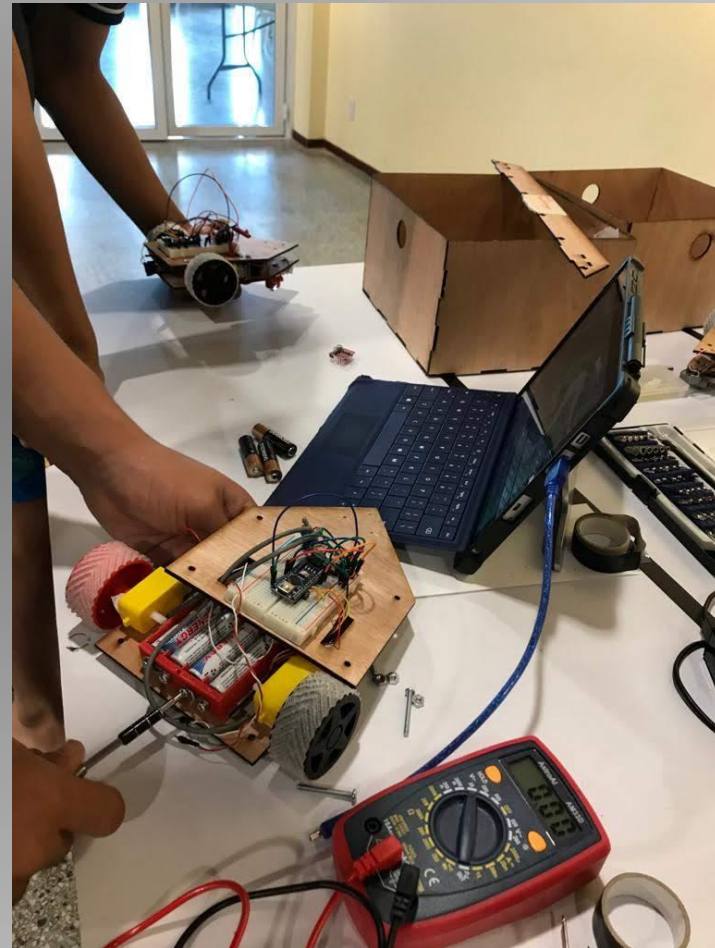
Afternoon Activity for Kids



Free Movies in the Open Air



Aruba Maker Expo – July 7th 2019



Project Transforming Education in Aruba – 2020

creating learning spaces





Thank you
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