

Purpose of the Library

The A.R.E. Library is a living memorial to the life and work of Edgar Cayce, whose more than 14,000 psychic readings form the core of the collection. With an emphasis on health and metaphysical topics, the Library contains materials whose timeless knowledge helps people create or transform their lives for the better.



Edgar Cayce

The institution [is to be] builded around that of a place where the records of that accomplished through these sources are kept, and others of similar nature, or of the various philosophies that may be found that will coordinate—and combined in that oneness of purpose to bring the better understanding of the purpose *in* life, and thus enable man to realize the closer association with the divine.

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Who Was Edgar Cayce?

Edgar Cayce was born on a farm in rural Kentucky in 1877 and founded the Association for Research and Enlightenment in Virginia Beach, Virginia, in 1931. For most of his adult life, and until his death in 1945, Edgar Cayce demonstrated the uncanny ability to put himself into a self-induced sleep state that allowed him to access information far beyond his conscious understanding. From this state, he could respond to questions as diverse as, “What are the secrets of the universe?” to “How can I remove a wart?” His responses to these questions came to be called “readings,” and collectively they contain insights so valuable that even to this day individuals have found practical help for everything from maintaining a well-balanced diet and improving human relationships to overcoming life-threatening illnesses and finding meaning in their lives. His over 14,000 documented readings are on display in the A.R.E. Library. 

Become a “Friend of the Library”

The Library acquires new material through purchase and by generous donations, and we need your support! As a “Friend of the Library,” you have a special relationship with us. We work to offer services and materials based on your feedback, and, in turn, we ask for your financial contributions, which enable us to add to and preserve our collections as well as offer new and improved services (such as the Wi-Fi lounge).

In addition to your financial support, we appreciate any donation of your unwanted books. What we do not add to our collections, we will sell to raise funds to buy more books. We love books, new or used; it doesn't matter, so send your books our way!



Edgar Cayce's A.R.E. Visitor Center

A.R.E. Library

Hours of Operation:

Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.

Sunday, 12 noon-8 p.m.

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A.R.E. Library

Open to the Public Daily

More Than Just a Library



- More than 65,000 books
- DVDs, CDs, and periodicals
- Wi-Fi lounge
- Rare collections
- Local artists' display



The Edgar Cayce Readings

The A.R.E. Library houses one of the largest metaphysical collections in the world and is home to over 14,000 psychic readings of Edgar Cayce (in hard copy and in a searchable onsite database).

In addition to the thousands of books and the Edgar Cayce readings, their indexes, and special compilations, the Library's holdings include: periodicals, newsletters, an archival database of more than 15,000 lectures given here at the A.R.E., pamphlets, courses, discourses, DVDs, CDs, and special collections.

Library Membership

Our Library is open to the public daily as a resource and research center (closing only for major holidays). You may check out resources from the Library if you are a member of A.R.E., a student of Atlantic University or of the Cayce/Reilly® School of Massotherapy, or if you are a local resident Library member. Local residents of Hampton Roads may join the Library for \$25 per year.



More Than 65,000 Books

Borrowing from the Library

Materials may be borrowed from the Library in person or through the mail as follows:

- In-person loans are extended for 30 days
- By-mail loans are extended for 60 days
- By-mail postage and handling is \$3 per item
- By-mail borrowers pay return postage via Library Rate
- Overdue fines are 10 cents per day for books and 25 cents per day for all others

Each loan may consist of up to four books, DVDs, CDs, or Circulating Files at a time.



Wi-Fi Lounge

Wi-Fi and Local Artists Display

Come join us for some relaxing Web surfing by the surf—log on to one of the laptops we have available or bring your own. Patrons can also use our DVD viewing station, archived conferences station, and portable DVD/CD player—all free of charge. Our lounge comes alive with color as we display local artworks for your enjoyment.

Test Your ESP

Test your psychic ability on one of the three multiuse computers available in the Library. Provided by the Boundary Institute, the ESP tests include a remote viewing experiment, a sequential card test, and many others.

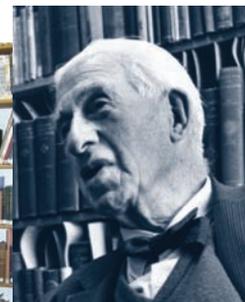
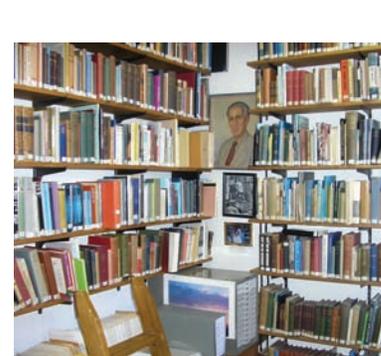


Andrew Jackson Davis

Rare Collections

Andrew Jackson Davis Collection

Born in New York in 1826, Andrew Jackson Davis lived a life parallel to that of Edgar Cayce in many respects. Both experienced visions and premonitions as children, and each left school at an early age to help support their families. Each could, while under trance, diagnose illnesses and outline treatments. Both decided to hire a stenographer to preserve information coming through their trances. The Davis library contains 150 letters and copies of books written by Davis himself, discussing his recollections received while in a trance state.



Egerton Sykes

Egerton Sykes Collection

Egerton Sykes was born in London in 1894 and began collecting information about the lost continent of Atlantis when he was a teenager. His thirty-year career was spent in Europe and the Middle East as a foreign correspondent, intelligence officer, and diplomat. He never tired of searching for books on Atlantis and often purchased them in their original languages. The Sykes Collection, added to our Library in 1979, contains over 6,000 items.