

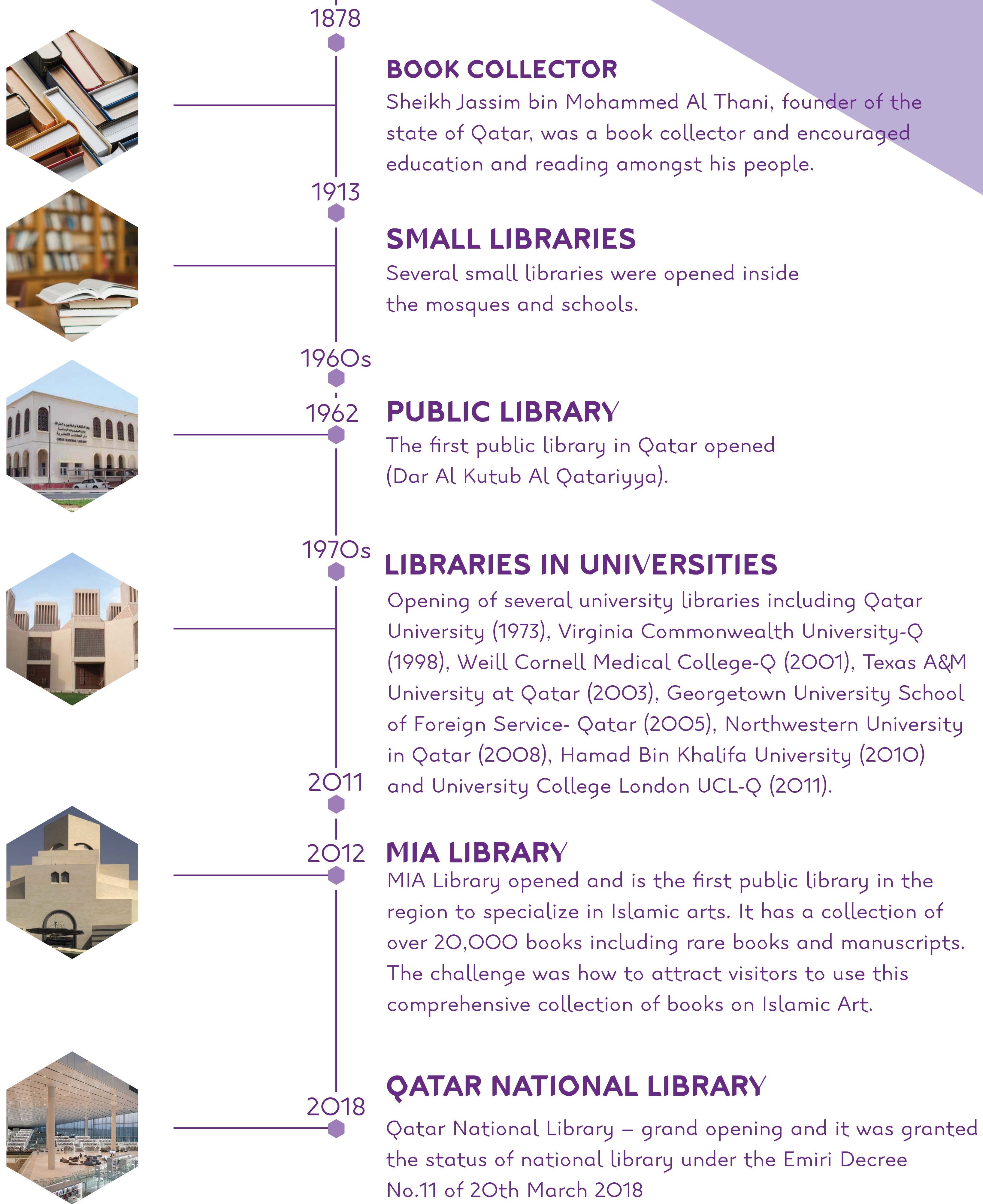
Museum of Islamic Art Library

Using programs to increase visitor numbers in Qatar

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History of Libraries in Qatar

Moving from an oral tradition to modern libraries



Library Programs and Community Outreach

MIA Library uses a range of library programs and exhibitions to increase



Islamic Art Club

provides a venue for makers, artists, collectors, and anyone who loves Islamic art, to explore ideas and learn more about Islamic artworks, their creation, display, and conservation.



Children's Story-times

encourages children's education and expression via books. Main services for children are the storytelling in English and Arabic.



Book Club

is a way to engage the art library visitors to have a dialogue about art and encourage a relationship between the library visitors and curators of the museum.



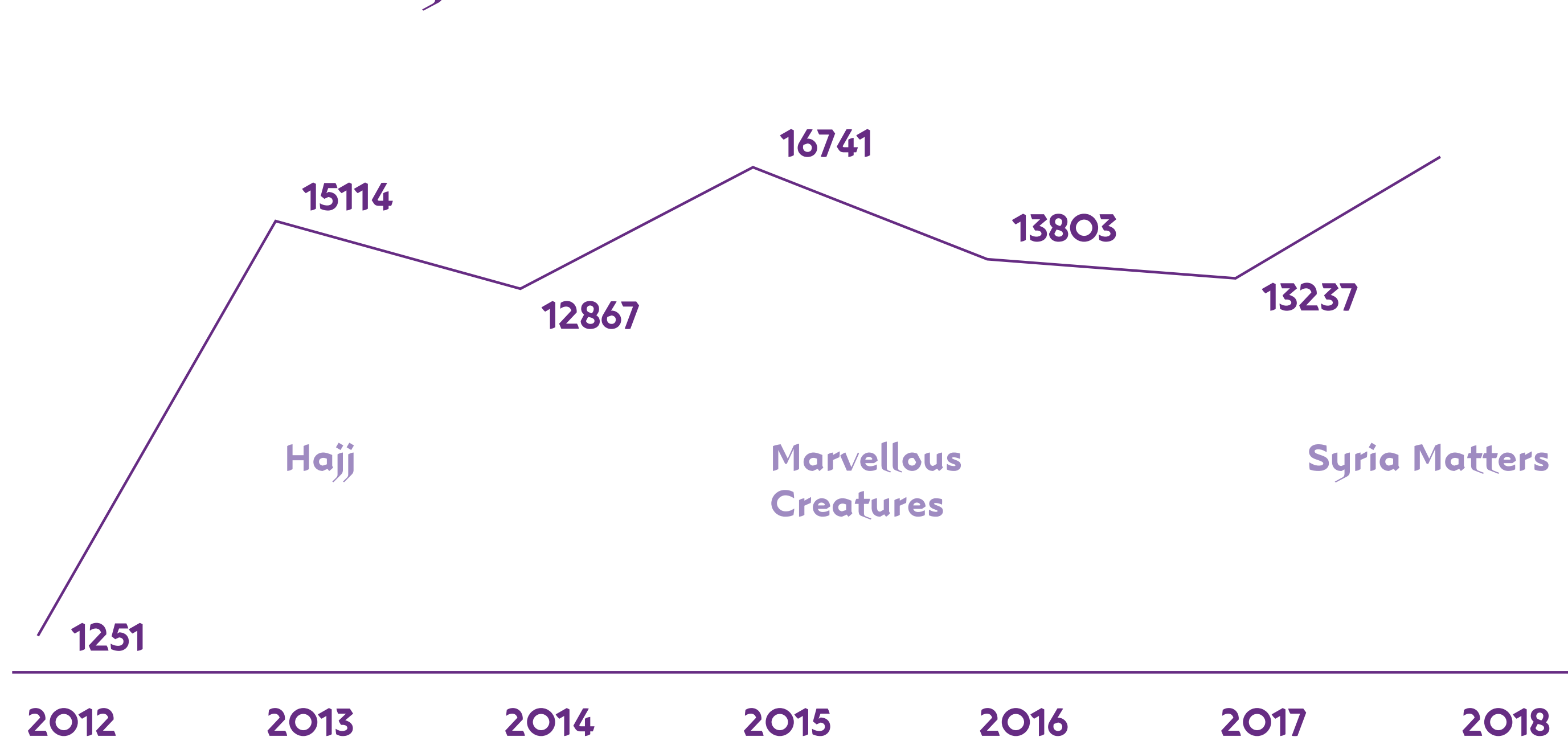
Exhibitions

the library has installed museum showcases in the reading room to exhibit rare books, museum objects, and works of art. The library changes its exhibitions every two months

Current Results & Future Projects

Exhibitions and programs increase visitor to the library

Number of library visitors from 2012-2018



The most popular events in 2017 were Library exhibitions and Open Days

MIA events, audience and staff 2017-18

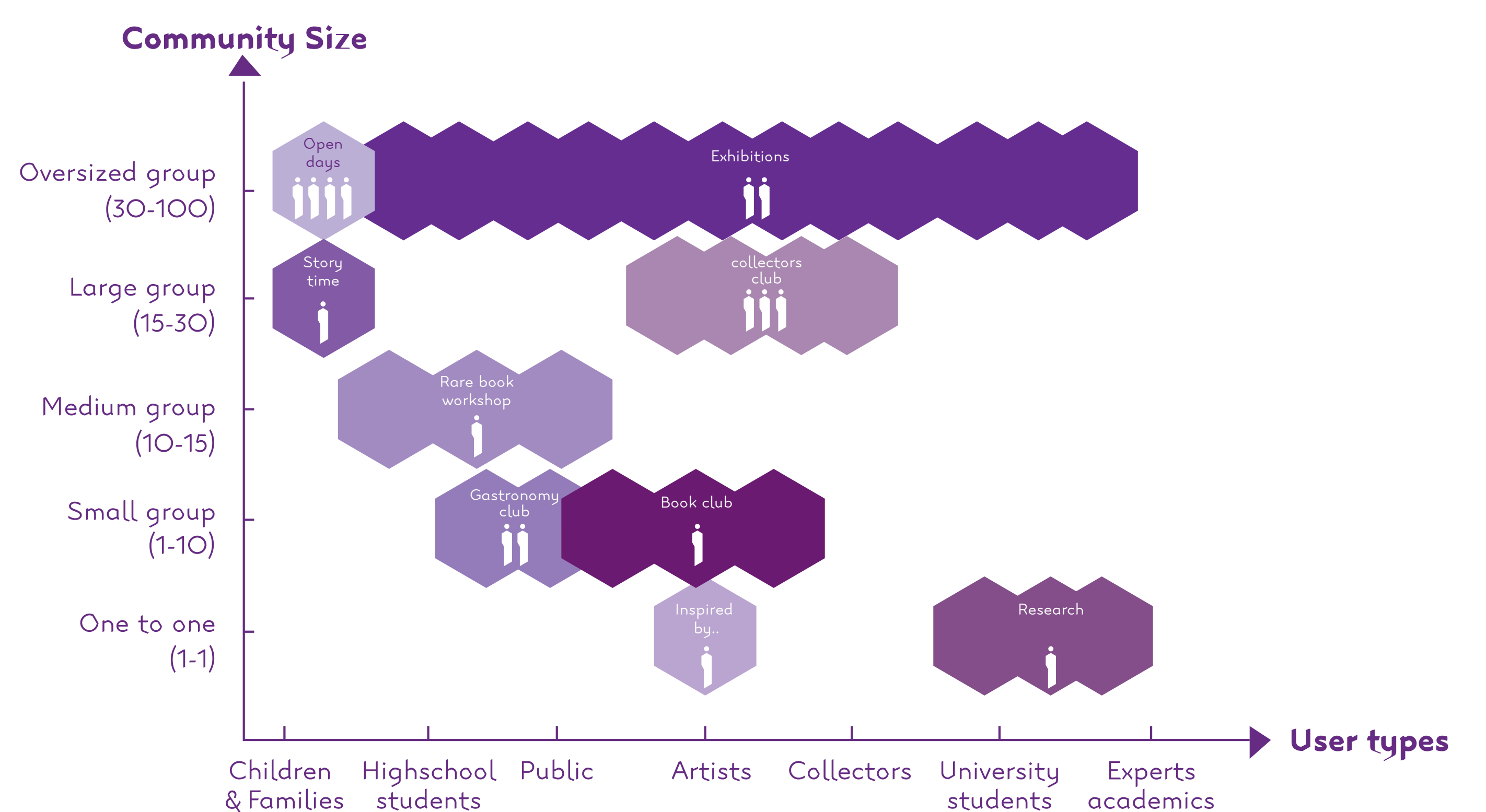


Fig.1. Mapping of user types and activities in MIA library

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