



MAKING SENSE OF  
PASSION  
IN THE LIBRARY

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# SOME MEANINGS OF PASSION

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1. Passion as *Patior* (Latin) - to Suffer
2. Passion as Intense Desire,
3. Passion as Irrational-Irresistible Force
4. Passion and Religion
5. Passion and Revolution



# PASSION AND REVOLUTION

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The Library as a place of:

1. Contestation,
2. Competing paradigms;
3. Dialectics; and
4. Transitions



# PASSION AND SPIRITUALITY

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The Library as a place of:

1. Spirituality (of Questions);
2. (fulfilled) Vocation; and
3. Enlightenment: Receptacle of knowledge



# PASSION AND IRRATIONALITY

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The Library as a place of:

1. Carnival of human faculties;
2. Limit situations; and
3. World of uncertainty



# PASSION AND INTENSE DESIRE

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The Library as a place of:

1. Thirst for knowledge;
2. Self-understanding, and
3. Form relations: Community of inquirers



# PASSION AND SUFFERING

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The Library as a place of:

1. Defeat and frustrations;
2. Lost/Corrupted dreams and visions; and
3. Impasse



# CLOSING INSIGHTS

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The Library as a philosophical thought:

1. As location of the overlap: between visible and invisible network of meanings
2. As an organism that feeds and grows on the nature of humanity: curiosities and inquiries; and
3. As one of the core assumptions-foundations of a University.





Thank you!