

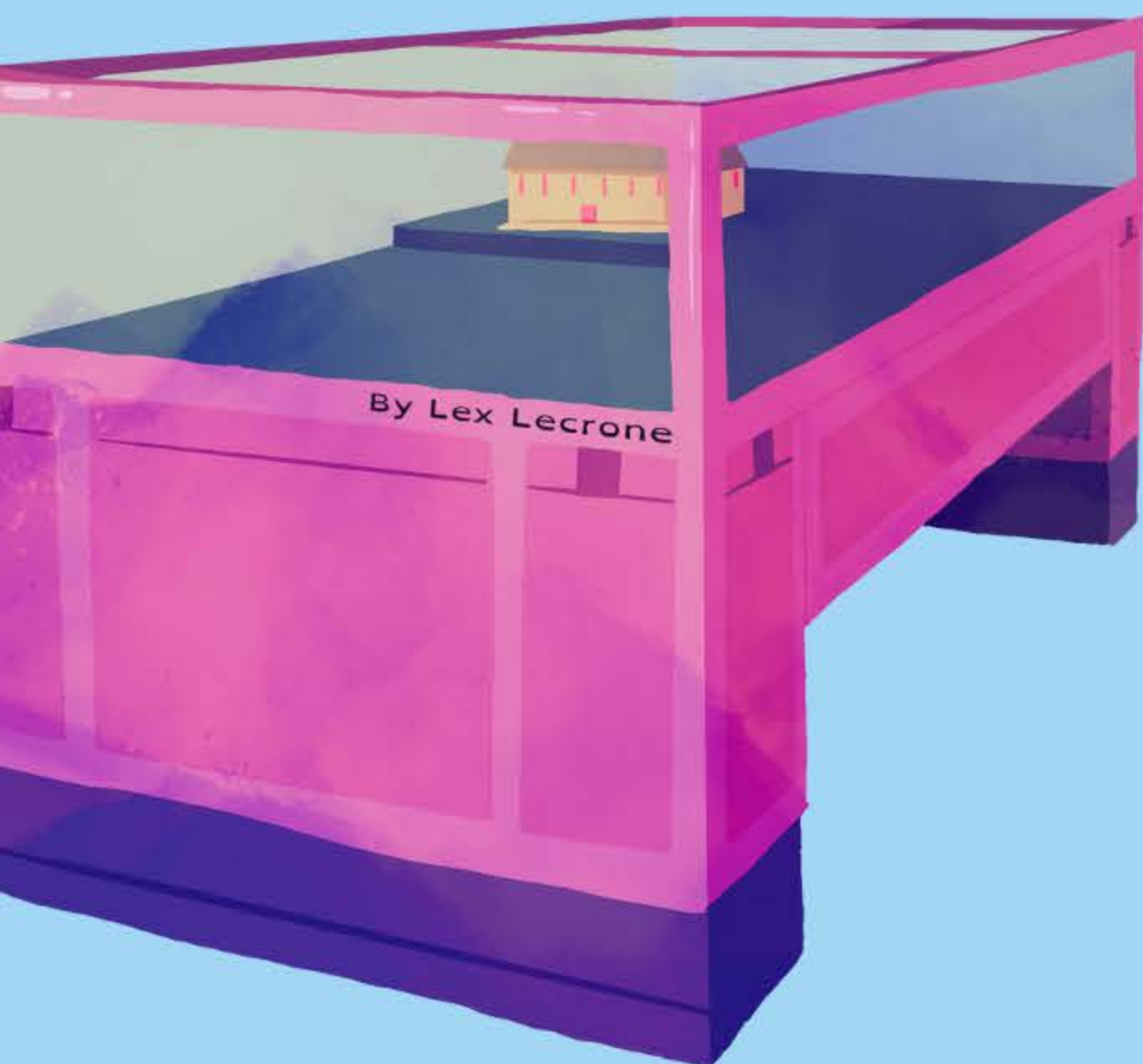
# Why Do We Need Libraries?

"There's a lot of fun problem solving we get to do with people. I don't have nearly all the answers to all the questions we get, but we get the opportunity to help people solve problems, and get to where they need to go. And that's really rewarding, it's really fun to be available for that, and be a part of that process."

-USM Library Staff

One of the most reoccurring characteristics of my time at the library was the sheer enthusiasm of every staff member in all the work that they do.

The art below is inspired by a mill replica painstakingly made by a staff member of The Osher Map Library for an exhibit on mills in New England, particularly Lawrence Massachusetts.



"I like all of my work. I think I like doing events the most, because I like the energy of events, and that you get to do a lot of stuff all at once. It's a lot more free of a form. You just end up having conversations with students. So like, if they're like "Well, I really like the French Revolution" You can be like "Great! Here's all this stuff." You can take them down that kind of nerdy wormhole that all librarians deeply love and we are amazing at finding. So it's easy to dive into those things and get excited about what the student is excited about."

-USM Library Staff

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