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## **Exhibition Cradles for Books**

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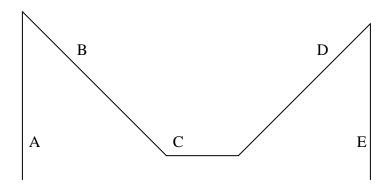
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## **Exhibit Cradles**

Exhibit cradles support the book while on display. Each cradle is custom made for the book. The small wedges are recycled when possible.

Time: 10-15 min. per cradle when batched.

- ξ Tools Needed: pencil, board shear, triangle, bone folder.
  - Open book to selected display and support binding with weights such that there is no pressure on the textblock or binding.
  - Measure according to the following diagram such that, when complete, the cradle cannot be seen beneath the book:



A=height to book board; B=inside dimensions of front board to shoulder; C=spine width; D=inside dimensions of back board from shoulder; E=height to book board.

- Cut a piece of Vivak on the board shear to the height of the book less 5mm. Mark the Vivak according to the measurements taken from the book.
- Using the clamp and edge on the board shear, crease the Vivak. When creasing the Vivak, fold along the whole edge at once to get a straight crease and then fold back and forth several times to make the crease flexible. Small folds are difficult but having someone else hold the clamp helps.
- Fold the cradle to fit the book and remove the protective coating. Using the polyester strapping, secure the book to the cradle.

# **Small Exhibition Wedges**

The small wedge is used when only light support is needed for a book. These can be reused when needed.

Time: Less than 5 min. per wedge.

- $\xi$  Tools Needed: pencil, board shear, triangle, bone folder, creasing jig, double sided tape.
  - Measure the desired height for the wedge by supporting the binding with weights.
  - Cut a piece of folder stock the height of the book less 5mm and three times the desired height plus 10mm.
  - Measure the desired height three times across the piece of folder stock and crease. Fold into a triangle and adhere the 10mm tab with double sided tape to the inside of the wedge.
  - Attach to book with polyester strapping.

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