



## Cody's Books

Berkeley, California 1997

*description* Book Store

*size* 12,000SF

Cody's books, a Berkeley icon, retained Trachtenberg Architects to build a new 12,000 square foot store in the thriving Fourth Street retail district. Cody's proposed occupying a warehouse building not zoned for retail use, and Trachtenberg Architects sheparded the project through a public process which involved nine public hearings. In the outdoor space formerly used as a loading dock, Cody's dramatic new entrance structure acts as a visual anchor for the retail district.

A warehouse-like quality is allowed to remain in the space interior which contrasts with the custom designed fixtures, built-in furniture, and rich use of color throughout. A long curved bookcase serves to create spatial definition and draws customers to the depths of the store.

