

President's Message



Happy Fall!

Two of our signature events will be held on the first two Saturdays of October. The Craft Fair on Oct. 5, and the Harvest Festival

on Oct. 12. Both are fun and a great kickoff to the upcoming holiday season. The Craft Fair can even help you get some early shopping done. You'll find a great variety of quality crafters with wonderful products and good prices.

The Annual Meeting was a fine and festive event and the Revisited Fiasco show was enjoyed by all. A big Thank You! to everyone who participated and attended, and congratulations to all of the Distinguished Volunteer Service Award Recipients for 2019!

Moira Casey, the Littleton Museum Curator, and the museum staff have worked very hard on the wonderful new "The Way We Played" toy exhibit. If you haven't seen it yet, please stop in. It is an exhibit for all ages and will bring back childhood memories to remind us of simpler and more innocent times.

When you are shopping or eating out, think of Littleton first! From Alamo and Ace to O'Toole's, Romano's and Savory Spice, sales and use taxes fund over half of the city budget. Bemis Library, Littleton Museum, Littleton Police as well as all other city services are supported by the sales tax revenue that is generated by patronizing businesses in the City of Littleton.

Lisa Ohlgren
Board President



Costumes on Parade: Oct. 24-25

Have some Halloween fun either day at Bemis Library's annual Story Time Costume Parade. The parade begins in the Children's Room and ends in the large meeting room for stories, songs, sweet treats and punch. For all ages. 10:30 a.m.



2019 Distinguished Volunteer Service Awards

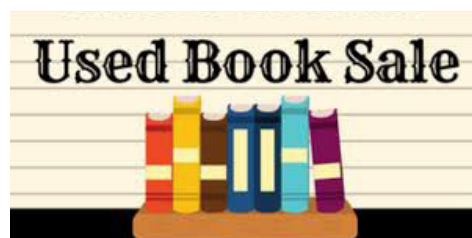
The Friends of the Littleton Library and Museum Board of Directors proudly recognizes volunteers who have demonstrated exceptional long-term commitment to the mission, goals and objectives of the organization. The 2019 winners are: Barbara Bolen
★ Dr. Charles Jackson ★ William Leeper ★ Ann LeMoine ★ Barbara Plungy ★ Phil Swaim.

USED BOOK SALE @ BEMIS

Cuddle Up with a Book. As the weather is changing, it's time to stock up for some fall reading. Check out our Used Books Sale in Sophie's Place at Bemis Library. We have a great selection in many categories.

Sale! Watch the Used Book Sale for special Flash Sales!

Help Wanted! We need volunteers to help sort, price and shelf books. To volunteer, ask anyone manning the Used Book Sale.



BEMIS LIBRARY

*TICKET / REGISTRATION

Events marked with an asterisk* require a ticket or registration. To register for an event, call the library at 303-795-3961. Visit www.littletongov.org for more details on events.

LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Oct. 1: Essential Oils. Discover the basics of how essential oils support health and learn how to build your own essential oil kit. Presented by Jennifer McCalib, Nutritional Health Coach for Natural Grocers. 7 p.m.

Oct. 3: Poetry Performance with Lisa Zimmerman. As part of our Creative Aging Program, Colorado poet and UNC Professor of English and Creative Writing Lisa Zimmerman will read from her published work and current manuscripts. Her current work incorporates historical and persona poems about Saint Clare of Assisi and other Catholic saints. 2 p.m.

Oct. 4, 11, 18 & 25: Senior Social Club with AWRC. The Aging Well Resource Center invites local seniors to socialize with over coffee and pastries at the library. Come to knit, try out jigsaw puzzles, engage in lively conversation or just make new connections. Every Friday in October, 9:30–11:30 a.m.

Oct. 5: Musical Performance: Laurie Dameron Jazz. Enjoy an afternoon of jazz guitar with *Billboard Magazine* award recipient, Laurie Dameron. 2 p.m.

Oct. 7: Senior Book Club. *Shadow of the Wind* by Carlos Ruiz Zafon, 2 p.m.

Oct. 10: Poetry Writing. As part of our Creative Aging Workshops, Colorado poet and UNC Professor of English and Creative Writing Lisa Zimmerman will lead this one-hour poetry workshop. Get your creative juices flowing with fun writing prompts guaranteed to help you put words on the page. 2 p.m.

Oct. 14: The Ghosts of Denver. Ghosts come out to play on Halloween and Denver swarms with them, especially near the State Capitol. Hear what's haunting Denver from Phil Goodstein, the author of the definitive book on the subject, *The Ghosts of Denver: Capitol Hill*. 2 p.m.

Oct. 20: Crafts for Grownups: Masking Your Intentions*. We will have a fantastic time creating masks—spooky, glittery, silly or glamorous. The library will provide supplies and space. You bring imagination and curiosity. These programs are for adults only. Space is limited. 2–4 p.m.

Oct. 21: Beer with Active Minds. Learn about the origins and history of beer, how it's made, different types of beer, the rise of several great American brewers and beer families, and current trends of microbrews and craft beers. Cheers! 2 p.m.

Oct. 21: Monday Evening Book Discussion Group. *The Girl in the Garden* by Melanie Wallace, 7 p.m.

Oct. 24: Books @ Buck. Read *The Dog Stars* by Peter Heller for our book group at the Buck Recreation Center at 2004 W. Powers Ave.! Call 303-730-4605 for details on lunch, then join the discussion at 1 p.m.

Oct. 24: Books & Beer: Brewing up Great Discussions. Read *The Catalogue of Shipwrecked Books: Christopher Columbus, His Son, and the Quest to Build the World's Greatest Library* by Edward Wilson-Lee for this month's book group at the brewery. Arrive earlier to take advantage of happy hour prices. Blind Faith Brewing Co., 2842 W. Bowles Ave., 6 p.m.

Oct. 25: Reel Life: Documentary Film Club*. Watch *Hippie Family Values* and then participate in an open discussion about the film. Refreshments will be served. 6 p.m.

Oct. 26: Movie Matinée. See *Toni Morrison: The Pieces I Am*, an artful and intimate meditation on the life and works of the acclaimed novelist. PG-13. 2–4 p.m.

Oct. 31: Creative Writing: Our Lives, Our Poems*. As part of our Creative Aging Workshops, join teaching artist Andrea Asali, who will show you how to weave your stories and ideas into beautiful poems. This session will focus on different poetic forms, including tanka, abecedarian, ode, ghazal and blues poems. 2 p.m.

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Oct. 5: Ready, Set, BUILD Lego Club*. For kids in grades K–5. 3 p.m.

Oct. 12: Paws to Read*. Kids in grades K–5 are able to practice reading to a furry friend. Presented by Denver Pet Partners and the Delta Society. 10 a.m.–noon.

Oct. 12: Paint a Rock, Hide a Rock. Hear a story about a kind rock then paint rocks and spread kindness by hiding them in Gallup Garden. Rocks will be provided, but feel free to bring your own. For all ages. 10:30 a.m.

Oct. 26: Murdock's Magical Halloween Delights. A delightful, not-too scary performance filled with audience participation, magic, comedy, puppets and lots of laughs and surprises. Feel free to wear your Halloween costume. For ages 3 and up. 3 p.m.

TEEN EVENTS

Oct. 4: Monster Murder Mystery*. Monsters are on the loose in Bemis Library. You must search for the tools you need to defeat them in this social deduction game and scavenger hunt—before the monsters get you! Teens must arrange for a ride home at 6:30 p.m. 5–6:30 p.m.

Oct. 11: Board Game Night. Play board games and enjoy snacks in the library after-hours. Teens must arrange for a ride home at 7:30 p.m. 5–7:30 p.m.

Oct. 26: Teen Advisory Group (TAG). Enjoy fun and games while you earn community service credit by helping make the library better. 12–1:30 p.m.

COMPUTER & DEVICE TRAINING @ BEMIS

One-on-One Technology Help. 30-minute time slots*. Sign up for a 30-minute individualized tech appointment with a librarian to get assistance with anything from smartphones and tablets to signing up for an email address. See schedule below.

Computer and Device Training. Open Computer Lab. Get answers to all of your computer-related questions every Thursday morning from 9:30–11 a.m. in the Computer Lab. Practice your skills during one-on-one time with a computer class instructor. Bring your smartphone or tablet for help downloading ebooks and eaudiobooks to your device. No registration required.

Oct. 2. One-on-One Tech Help, 1–3 p.m.*

Oct. 3. Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.

Oct. 7. iPhone Basics*, 9:30–11 a.m.

Oct. 9. One-on-One Tech Help, 9:30–11 a.m. and 1–3 p.m.*

Oct. 10. Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.

Oct. 14. Google Drive Basics*. 9:30–11 a.m.

Oct. 16. One-on-One Tech Help, 9:30–11 a.m. and 1–3 p.m.*

Oct. 17. Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.

Oct. 21. One-on-One Tech Help, 9:30–11 a.m.*

Oct. 23. One-on-One Tech Help, 9:30–11 a.m.*

Oct. 23. Cutting the Cord, 6–7:30 p.m.*

Oct. 24. Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.

Oct. 28. Google Docs*. 9:30–11 a.m.

Oct. 30. One-on-One Tech Help, 9:30–11 a.m. and 1–3 p.m.*

Oct. 31. Open Computer Lab

LITTLETON MUSEUM

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- Smithsonian Institution Affiliate
- Littleton Museum, 6028 S. Gallup St., Littleton, CO 80120
- 303-795-3950



The Way We Played

Friday, Sept. 13 ~ Jan. 3, 2021
Changing Exhibition Hall

Inspired by nostalgia, this is a toy exhibit for all ages, especially adults. By discovering and playing as kids, we grew strong, learned important social and tactile skills, and developed powerful relationships. It is the memory of these experiences, and our connection to our favorite toys, that evoke strong feelings of nostalgia for our younger years. Using interactive stations, photographs of Littleton locals and their favorite toys, and artifacts from the Littleton Museum's Collection, visitors of all ages are invited to experience and recall the ways they played.

Within and Without: Works by Nathan Abels

Friday, Sept. 20 ~ Sunday, Oct. 20
Fine Art Exhibition Hall

Winner of the 2018 Littleton Fine Arts Board Own an Original competition, Denver-area artist Nathan Abels explores the relationship between the natural world and technology. In his upcoming exhibit, Abels depicts a speculative future after climate change. The residents of this future world have chosen to either try to leave the planet, or to withdraw from the larger remaining culture.



Own an Original: Destination

Friday, Nov. 22 ~ Sunday, Dec. 29
Fine Art Exhibition Hall

In recent years, American culture has idealized the saying, "It's the journey, not the destination." A destination is really the end for which someone or something is going or sent. With so much focus on the journey, has the end point lost its meaning? What if the reason or objective of the journey held more value than the voyage itself?

"Destination" is the theme for the 54th Annual Own an Original art competition, open to Colorado artists and any art medium except photography. This year's contest will be juried by Gwen Chanzit, Denver Art Museum Curator of Modern Art and the Herbert Bayer Collection and Archive Emerita, and Director of Museum Studies and Full Professor of the Practice, Museum Studies/Art History, School of Art and Art History, DU.

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Oct. 4

Monster Murder Mystery,
Bemis Library

Oct. 14

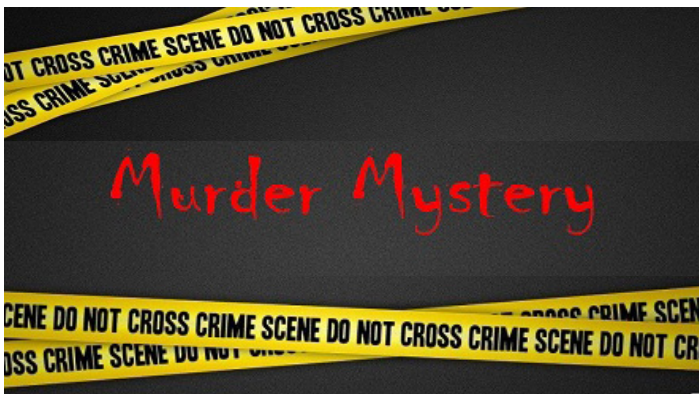
The Ghosts of Denver,
Bemis Library

Oct. 18 & 19

Walking with the Dead,
The Littleton Museum

Oct. 26

Murdock's Magical Halloween
Delights, Bemis Library



WALKING WITH THE DEAD *Solving Mysteries of the Past*

A missing treasure! An unsolved murder! Dark secrets have lain buried at our farms for over a century. Use your investigative skills to shed light on these mysteries, but be careful what you dig up! **Join us on Friday, Oct. 18, or Saturday, Oct. 19, from 6–9 p.m.** for our annual Halloween event: **Walking with the Dead: Solving Mysteries of the Past.** Explore the 1860s and 1890s farms at your own pace in this mystery solving puzzle hunt. For information and tickets, visit www.littletongov.org/museum and click Programs & Events.

HARVEST FESTIVAL @ THE MUSEUM

Saturday, Oct. 12, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

Come one, come all, to the annual Harvest Festival at the Littleton Museum. On our 1860s farm, pick out your Halloween pumpkin and then enjoy hayrides and other fun activities. Play games and win prizes at our 1890s farm carnival.

Know Before

You Go: Museum entrance is free, but some activities and refreshments require tickets, which can be purchased the day of the event. Cash or check only.

