

## Board Message

**The Importance of Renewal.** Your Friends membership offers benefits to you, your family and our whole community. While the library and museum are funded by the City, the Friends funds many of the extras we enjoy, including the Summer Concert Series, kicking off Wednesday, June 15, with Ryan Shupe's bluegrass and country band. Not to mention the Friends Easter Egg Hunt, Creative Writing Contest, Craft Fair, art openings, lectures, musicians and much more.

Friends members help fund these programs when renewing their membership. During the pandemic, many members lost contact with the museum and library and did not renew. After many attempts at contact, we lost those members. Today, we are still struggling to encourage Friends to renew their memberships. We depend on our renewal dollars to provide the best programming possible.

Please watch your mail and email (including your spam folder) for your renewal. If you're not sure if your membership is current, please email [friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com](mailto:friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com). Remember, starting at \$15 a year, you receive this newsletter, 10% off at the museum shop, advance invitations to events and—for an extra \$12 per year—the opportunity to become a Smithsonian Affiliate Member. Ready to renew? Visit [friendslittleton.org](http://friendslittleton.org) > Membership > Membership Info & Renewal. We can't thank you enough!

Don't forget to celebrate all the dads in your life on June 19. Happy Father's Day!

*Your Friends' Board*



*On April 30, the Friends helped Bemis celebrate El Dia de los Niños with hundreds of kids and family members enjoying music, crafts, books, food and more.*

### One Book One Littleton 2022



Bemis Public Library has selected *Deep Creek: Finding Hope in the High Country* by Colorado author Pam Houston for this year's community-wide reading program. Get the book at Bemis or a local bookstore, find the book club discussion questions at [littletongov.org](http://littletongov.org), and look for tickets to an author reception and talk on Sunday, Sept. 25, to become available on Aug. 15.



### TheStudio@Bemis' First Birthday: June 4, 1-5 p.m.

Celebrate one year of making in TheStudio@Bemis! Everyone is invited—whether you've been a regular or are brand new to our makerspace—to enjoy activities for the whole family.



Visit [friendslittleton.org/creative-writing-contest](http://friendslittleton.org/creative-writing-contest) to see this year's contest winners, representing various ages and schools throughout Littleton.

### Artist-in-Residence at Bemis: Alejandra Abad



Alejandra Abad is bringing her project *Our Wishes* to Littleton through a collaboration with the Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art. Bemis is hosting Abad for a three-week residency, using TheStudio@Bemis maker space to create beautiful flags with messages of hope crowdsourced from the community. Patrons of all ages are invited to help create the flags and learn from Abad throughout the residency.

### Romano's Fundraiser Aug. 3



Grab a takeout pizza or stop in for dinner at Romano's after the Dakota Blonde museum concert on Aug. 3. The restaurant is generously donating 20% of sales generated by the Friends.

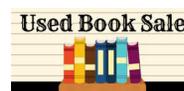
### Craft Fair: Seeking Crafters & Volunteers for Oct. 1, 2022



Be a part of the Friends highly anticipated Craft Fair this fall! If you're a crafter, reserve your booth at [littletoncraftfair.org](http://littletoncraftfair.org).

We're also looking for volunteers to manage the busy parking lots during the fair; if you'd love the fresh air and interaction, email [lhampton1387@gmail.com](mailto:lhampton1387@gmail.com).

### Visit the Used Book Sale



Stop by the Used Book Sale during regular library hours to check out our specials and find your next favorite read! The sale provides a consistent source of funding to the Friends and helps our community recycle books.

# BEMIS PUBLIC LIBRARY

## PROGRAM/REGISTRATION

To register for a program, call the library at 303-795-3961 or visit the Events Calendar at [bemis.marmot.org](http://bemis.marmot.org).

## BEMIS BOOK CLUBS

Find links to the books and discussion sessions for any book club in the [June Library Events Calendar](#).

**June 1: Senior Book Group.** Discuss *The Lost Apothecary* by Sarah Penner. 1–2 p.m., ages 50+.

**June 8: Books & Beer Nonfiction Book Club.** Discuss *Scienceblind: Why Our Intuitive Theories About the World Are So Often Wrong* by Andrew Shtulman at [Jackass Hill Brewery](#), 2409 Main St. 6:3–7:30 p.m., ages 21+.

**June 15: Evening Book Club.** Discuss *The Mystery of Mrs. Christie* by Marie Benedict. 6:30–7:30 p.m., ages 18+.

## GENERAL PROGRAMS



**Through July 31: Find Your Place at the Library—Adult Summer Reading Program.** Pick up a bingo card and find your place at the library this summer.

Completed bingo cards will enter readers into drawings for prizes.

**June 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30: Senior Social Club.** Attend a weekly chat in Sophie's Place at the front of the library. 9:30–11:30 a.m., ages 50+.

**June 2, 16 & 30: Stitch Circle.** Join Stitch Circle in [TheStudio@Bemis](#). Bring in your own projects or come to learn the basics of knitting, crocheting or embroidery, and to meet and learn from and collaborate with other makers in the community. 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., all ages.

**June 3: Mundo Mistic—Spain.** Each month, the class explores one of the 20 countries worldwide that claim Spanish as the official language. 9:30–10:30 a.m., ages 16+.

**June 10: Board Games @ Bemis.** Drop in after-hours for board games, pizza and snacks. 5–7 p.m., all ages.

**June 11: Find Your Place Craft.** Get creative using old maps to make bookmarks, buttons, gift tags or more. Registration required. Two classes: 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. & 2–3:30 p.m., ages 10+.

**June 14: Senior Electronic Gaming Day.** Seniors, try gaming systems like Nintendo Switch and PlayStation in the conference room in a low-stress setting amongst peers. Find out why everyone enjoys video games and surprise your grandkids with some newfound gaming savvy. 1–3 p.m., ages 50+.

**June 16: Art Workshop with the Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art.** Join BMoCA Educator Melinda Laz for a hands-on workshop about BMoCA's current exhibition and create a piece of art inspired by the show. Registration required. 2–3:30 p.m., ages 18+.



**June 18: Musical Concerts at the Library—Sound of RnR.** Enjoy an afternoon of acoustic classic rock and original compositions with local duo Rick Iracki and

Rex Reed. 2–3 p.m.

**June 21: Gardening in Colorado—Container Gardening.** Learn how to plan, plant and care for a container garden from a Master Gardener with the Arapahoe County Colorado State University Extension Office. 6–7 p.m.

**June 27: Ireland and Northern Ireland with Active Minds.** Brexit and the recent surprise electoral victory of Sinn Fein have raised uncertainties about the political future of Ireland. Join Active Minds as we discuss the current situation in Ireland and explore its cloudy future. 2–3 p.m., adults of all ages.

## YOUTH EVENTS



**Through July 31: Oceans of Possibilities—Summer Reading Program.** Pick up a reading log, read whatever you like and earn free books and prizes. Visit [bemis.marmot.org](http://bemis.marmot.org) for details. Ages birth through entering 5th grade.

**June 7, 14, 21 & 28: Family Entertainment.** Programs for families with children ages 3+. 11 a.m.

• **June 7: Ahoy Mateys.** Kick off a summer of possibilities with funnyman Bryce Jackman and his zany, interactive pirate show.

• **June 14: Magic Man, Dennis Michael.** Unique improvisational magic, music and mayhem.

• **June 21: Kids House of Joy.** Three generations on stage lead us on a journey to discover the wide variety of music from around the world.

• **June 28: Amazing Oceans.** From microscopic plankton to enormous whales, Mad Science explores the diversity of marine life.

**June 9, 16, 23 & 30: School Age Programs.** Programs for children entering grades 1–5. Call 303-795-3961 one week before to reserve your spot. 2 p.m.

• **June 9: Shell Exploration.** Discover how to identify seashells, craft keychains and bracelets, then make your own “oyster” and eat it.

• **June 16: Ocean in a Jar.** Find out about the different ocean zones then construct your own miniature representation to take home.

• **June 23: Vegetable Stamping.** Create art by painting with patterns and textures of fruits and vegetables.

• **June 30: Search & Rescue Dogs of Colorado.** SARDOC volunteers visit with their canine partners as we learn about their training in scent, trailing, water search and avalanche rescue.

**Wednesdays & Thursdays: Books and Blankets at Bemis.** Bring your kids and blankets for 30 minutes of stories and songs, shared outside on the lawn. In poor weather conditions, story time will be held in the meeting room downstairs. No registration required. 9:30 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

**June 11: Paws to Read.** Kids practice reading to a furry friend; presented by Denver Pet Partners and The Delta Society. Call 303-795-3961 to register for a 20-minute spot. 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m., grades 1–5.

**June 18: Drop-In Discovery Art.** Drop in each month and explore different art materials and techniques. The library provides materials and inspiration, and kids can work through the process of creating an original piece of art. 1–3 p.m., grades 5 and under.

## TEEN EVENTS



**Teen Summer Reading Events.** Attending the following events enters teens in grades 6–12 into the current week's prize drawings and the grand prize drawings at the end of July. Register using links on the June [Library Events Calendar](#).

**June 1: Yarn Ocean.** Help create a coral reef and sea creatures out of yarn for display in the library. 2–3:30 p.m.

**June 8: Submarine Escape Room.** Teams work together to beat this submarine-themed escape room. 12–7 p.m.

**June 15: Pirate Bingo.** Earn a pirate's hoard of candy prizes. 2–3 p.m.

**June 22: Art Nouveaoceans.** Learn about the art nouveau movement and create unique jellyfish drawings with a local comic artist. 2–3 p.m.

**June 29: Ocean in A Jar.** Create a watery meditation jar and capture a bit of the sea for yourself. 2–3:30 p.m.

## TECHNOLOGY & DEVICE TRAINING

**In Person One-on-One Tech Help, Various Dates & Times.** Sign up for a 45-minute individualized tech appointment with a librarian. Get help with eBooks, digital resources, internet connectivity, video chatting and more. All ages.

**June 23: Tech Class: King Soopers and Safeway Apps.** Learn to use the King Soopers and Safeway apps to maximize your shopping experience. Prerequisites: Familiarity with a smart phone recommended. 11:30 a.m.–1 p.m., ages 18+.

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**June 4: TheStudio@Bemis' First Birthday.** Celebrate one year of making in TheStudio@Bemis! Everyone is invited, whether you've been a regular or are brand new to our makerspace. Activities available for the whole family. 1–5 p.m., all ages.

**June 6, 13, 20, 27: TheStudio@Bemis Open Lab.** Drop in to learn more about the space and its resources. Activities for the whole family provided. Feel free to bring a creative project or idea you've been working on or ask about past library craft workshops. Connect with other makers and get inspired for your next project. 4–6 p.m., all ages, children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

**TheStudio@Bemis: One-on-Ones, Various Dates & Times.** Sign up for an individualized appointment with a librarian to learn more about any resources in TheStudio@Bemis, our new makerspace. Get training on how to use our Cricut Makers or sewing machines safely and independently. All ages, children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

*Interested in memorial donations or bequests to the Friends? Email us at [friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com](mailto:friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com).*

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303-795-3950, [littletongov.org/museum](http://littletongov.org/museum)  
Tuesday–Saturday 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m.–5 p.m., last entry 4:30 p.m., closed Mondays and holidays

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[bemisteen.blogspot.com](http://bemisteen.blogspot.com)  
Monday–Thursday 9 a.m.–8 p.m., Friday–Saturday: 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Sunday 1–5 p.m.

**Websites:** [friendslittleton.org](http://friendslittleton.org), [littletoncraftfair.org](http://littletoncraftfair.org)

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**Littleton**  
2022  
**SUMMER CONCERT SERIES**

WEDNESDAYS 6:30 PM - 8 PM  
AT THE LITTLETON MUSEUM

June 15 - Ryan Shupe  
June 22 - Juice O'The Barley  
June 29 - Jeff Johnson & Company  
July 6 - No Performance - Happy 4th of July!  
July 13 - Journey Girls  
July 20 - Delta Sonics  
July 27 - Spinphony  
August 3 - Dakota Blonde

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**World Wide Knit in Public Day**

**Saturday, June 11, 2022**  
**9 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

Come work on your project with great company!

We love all fiber arts at the Littleton Museum, so bring your knitting, crochet, embroidery, sewing, mending, weaving, felting or spinning.



**DRAFT DAY**

**Saturday June 18**  
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Join us to celebrate  
an  
**1800s Independence Day**  
on  
**Saturday, July 2nd**

10 o'clock until 3 o'clock  
at the  
Littleton Museum

Come out and enjoy an old-fashioned 1800s summer celebration at the Littleton Museum's living history farms.

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