

## Board Message

**Happy Fall!** As we begin to wind down 2022 and look forward to the holiday season, we hope your Friends membership remains important to you. The Friends make a big difference in what Bemis Public Library and the Littleton Museum can offer our community—and volunteering with the Friends helps develop new friendships and enriches our lives.

Many of the Friends committee and leadership positions have been filled by the same people for years, and we are ready for new participants and new ideas. That will allow some of our longtime volunteers and board members to move on to other tasks and some to take a break. If you have time in your schedule to invest in your Friends community, let us know. We are looking for at least two more board members along with people to fill volunteer positions that are one-time gigs and others that are a larger commitment. The Friends board meets on the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the library or museum.

We have a great volunteer—and shopping—opportunity coming up at the Used Book Sale at the library. Our Holiday Book Sale starts Monday, Nov. 28, and we can definitely use help a few hours a week or as many hours as you like. The volunteer-run Used Book Sale is the second biggest fundraiser for the Friends. If you're available to help as a cashier, please contact Bernice Reed at 303-955-6845.

We wish you all a happy and healthy Thanksgiving this year. Please know how thankful we are for you—our valuable members!

*Your Friends Board*

## The Friends Busy Season Is in Full Swing!

We've been busy, busy, busy! In the last few months, the Friends hosted Colorado author Pam Houston discussing *Deep Creek: Finding Hope in the High Country*, helped fund the collection for the library's upcoming bookmobile, ponied up the funds for a new cow at the Littleton Museum, provided extensive retail therapy at the Craft Fair, and managed nearly 12,000 pumpkin purchasers at the Harvest Festival!



**Winning Design: Driven to Read!**



# BEMIS PUBLIC LIBRARY

## November Library Closures

**Friday, Nov. 11.** The library will be closed for a staff training day.

**Thursday–Friday, Nov. 24–25.** The library will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving.

## REGISTRATION

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

## BEMIS BOOK CLUBS

Join one of our fantastic groups to discuss thought provoking books—and sometimes just life in general. Attend at the library in the downstairs conference room or via Zoom. Find links to the books and discussion sessions for any book club in the [Library Events Calendar](#).

- **Nov. 2: Senior Book Group.** Ages 50+, discuss *Damnation Spring* by Ash Davidson. 1–2 p.m.
- **Nov. 16: Evening Book Club.** Ages 18+ discuss *Buddha in the Attic* by Julie Otsuka. 6:30–7:30 p.m.

## GENERAL PROGRAMS

**Nov. 2: Virtual Author Talk.** Join us as acclaimed writer, journalist, broadcaster and speaker Lisa Napoli discusses her group biography—*Susan, Linda, Nina & Cokie: The Extraordinary Story of the Founding Mothers of NPR*—of the four women whose voices defined NPR: Susan Stamberg, Linda Wertheimer, Nina Totenberg and Cokie Roberts. Registration required. 2–3 p.m.

**Nov. 3, 10 & 17: Senior Social Club.** Ages 50+, please join us for our weekly chat in Sophie's Place at the front of the library. 9:30–10:30 a.m.

**Nov. 3, 10 & 17: International Conversation Circle.** Meet people from the U.S. and other countries, practice English and make new friends. Call Robert Little at 303-734-8413 or stop by LIRC to sign up (required). Noon–1:30 p.m.

**Nov. 10: Safety Skills for Older Adults.** Ages 50+, a licensed physical therapist helps empower older adults to feel safe and remain independent in the community. Registration required. Noon–3 p.m.

**Nov. 10: Virtual Author Talk with Bonnie Garmus.** Join us for a dazzlingly entertaining virtual chat with author Bonnie Garmus as she discusses her debut *New York Times* bestselling novel *Lessons in Chemistry*. Registration required. Noon–1 p.m.

**Nov. 12: Voices West Concert.** Come hear Littleton's own chorale society presenting classic songs and interesting arrangements, showcasing the beauty of the human voice. 2–3 p.m.

**Nov. 14: Senior Law and Safety.** Ages 50+, join James Sorrells, Director of Consumer Fraud Protection Office of the District Attorney Arapahoe County, for a presentation on senior fraud protection and senior crime prevention. 2–3 p.m.

**Nov. 15: Virtual Author Talk with Kwame Christian.** Hear bestselling author and founder of the American Negotiation Institute Kwame Christian discussing his book *How to Have Difficult Conversations About Race: Practical Tools for Necessary Change in the Workplace and Beyond*. Christian's motto is, "The best things in life are on the other side of difficult conversations." Registration required. 10–11 a.m.

**Nov. 15: Gardening in Colorado—Houseplants.** Keep the winter blues at bay with happy, healthy houseplants. Presented by a Master Gardener with the Arapahoe County Colorado State University Extension Office. 6–7 p.m.

**Nov. 19: Cozy Crafts.** Ages 10+, make finger-knitted mug cozies, miniature holiday scenes and glowing "candles" in a jar to make a home snug in the cold weather. Registration required. 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. & 2–3:30 p.m.



**Nov. 23: Dungeons & Dragons.** Ages 10+, roll the dice, join a group and let your imagination soar with this popular tabletop role-playing game. Players of all experience levels are welcome. Experienced Dungeon Masters can earn thank-you gifts and community service credit for running tables. Pizza and snacks served. Registration required. 5–7:30 p.m.

**Nov. 28: Coffee with Active Minds.** Trace the history of coffee from its origins in Ethiopia to the Starbucks around the corner—it's a fascinating story of politics, power, chance and intrigue. Active Minds also will examine coffee's cultural influences as well as the differences between various types of coffee. 2–3 p.m.

## YOUTH EVENTS

**Weekly Story Times.** Join one of our weekly story times, which are geared toward individual age groups.

- **BABY.** For caregivers with babies from 0–12 months. Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.
- **TODDLER.** For caregivers with toddlers (walkers) up to age 3 years. Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.
- **PRESCHOOL.** Ages 3 years and older. Fridays at 10:30 a.m.
- **BOOKS and BLANKETS.** A family story time for all ages. Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. and Thursdays at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. Bring your kids and blankets for 30 minutes of stories and songs, shared while socially distancing outside on the lawn at the library. Story time will be held outdoors unless temperatures are below 45° or in the case of high winds, snow, or rain. When this occurs, story time will be held inside.

**Nov. 5: LEGO Club.** All ages, come build with us. Design, construct and create your own LEGO creations. Build from a theme or use your imagination to make a brand-new creation. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. 3–4 p.m.

**Nov. 8: Sensory Story Time.** Caregivers and children of all abilities are welcome. Join us for an inclusive and interactive story time designed for children who are neurodivergent and/or have sensory needs. Light and sound are decreased. The library will provide sensory toys, fidgets and noise canceling headphones for anyone who needs them. Story time will include songs, stories and rhymes, with time to play and socialize at the end. 3:30–4:15 p.m.

**Nov. 12: Paws to Read.** Grades K–5, practice reading to a furry friend. Presented by Denver Pet Partners and The Delta Society. Call to register for a 20-minute spot. 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

**Nov. 19: Drop-In Discovery Art.** Grades 5 and under, drop in each month and explore different art materials and techniques. The library will provide materials and inspiration, and kids can work through the process of creating an original piece of art. 1–3 p.m.

**Nov. 19–Jan. 9: Books Are Cool Winter Reading Program.** Grades 5 and younger, pick up a reading log in the library starting Nov. 19. It's cool to read, so complete the challenges and record what you read. Finishers will receive a free book to keep in addition to other surprises.

## TEEN EVENTS

**Nov. 2: Cricut Crafting.** Grades 6–12, learn how to use the Cricut machine in the library's makerspace to design and create your own stickers, stencils and other awesome art. Registration required. 5–6:30 p.m.

**Nov. 9: Teen Advisory Group.** Grades 6–12, help plan programs, choose new books and games, make friends, and have fun while earning community service credit. Participants are invited to exclusive programs like Laser Tag and holiday events. Snacks served. 5–6 p.m.

**Nov. 16: Tweenstoday–Gratitude Journals.** Grades 5–12, decorate your own gratitude journal and learn about this powerfully creative writing tool for happier living. Registration required. 5–6 p.m.

## TECHNOLOGY & DEVICE TRAINING

**In Person One-on-One Tech Help: Various Dates & Times.** All ages, sign up for an individualized technology appointment with a librarian. Get help with anything from accessing eBooks and digital resources, assistance with internet connectivity, video chatting and more. Registration required.



## Holiday Book Sale!

**Monday, Nov. 28–Friday, Dec. 23  
Shop During Regular Library Hours**

Great books at great prices! Shop a vast variety of topics to quickly take care of that holiday shopping list! All proceeds benefit the Friends to support programming at Bemis Public Library and the Littleton Museum. For details about donating your books or volunteering your time, stop by the library front desk or email [friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com](mailto:friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com).

## Friends Board of Directors

1st Vice President . . . . . Laura Hampton  
 2nd Vice President . . . . . Carolyn Hinkley  
 Secretary . . . . . Pat Rodriguez  
 Treasurer . . . . . David Womack  
 Director . . . . . Kelly Anton  
 Director . . . . . Briana McCrumb  
 Director . . . . . Sue McNamee  
 Director . . . . . Renee Posey  
 Director . . . . . Al Stutson  
 Ex Officio . . . . . Lisa Ohlgren, Lisa Hendry  
 Ex Officio: Library Director . . . . . Nancy Trimm  
 Ex Officio: Museum Director . . . . . Tim Nimz

The Oracle © is a monthly newsletter produced by the Friends of the Littleton Library and Museum.

## Contact Information

### Littleton Museum

6028 S. Gallup St., Littleton, CO 80120  
 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

### Bemis Public Library

6014 S. Datura St., Littleton, CO 80120, 303-795-3961  
[bemismarmot.org](http://bemismarmot.org), [www.littletongov.org/bemis](http://www.littletongov.org/bemis)  
[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)

**Blog:** <https://friendslittleton.org/friends-blog>

**Emails:** [friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com](mailto:friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com)  
[lisa@littletoncraftfair.org](mailto:lisa@littletoncraftfair.org)

# LITTLETON MUSEUM

Accredited by the American Association of Museums • Smithsonian Institution Affiliate  
6028 S. Gallup St., Littleton, CO 80120 • 303-795-3950



**Littleton**

## *Experience an 1800s Winter Holiday*

**Sunday, Dec. 11, 5:30–8 p.m.**

**Tickets available for Friends members starting Nov. 12.**

Join us for a special evening event on the grounds of our living history farms. You will be transported to the winter holidays of the 1800s. Enjoy a wagon ride, snack on cornbread and cookies, enjoy live music and look up at the stars as you sip hot cider. Costumed interpreters bring the past to life by demonstrating or teaching about what your life would be like in Littleton in the 1800s. Get your tickets at the museum front desk or visit [littletongov.org/museum](http://littletongov.org/museum) > Programs & Events > Holiday's Evening.



Littleton Fine Arts Board

## **2022 Juried Fine Arts Exhibition**

**Own An Original**

# Labyrinth

Juried by Molly Casey

**November 4 through December 31, 2022**

**Opening Reception: November 3, 2022 at 5:30 pm**



**November 5, 2021 through November 27, 2022**

