

## Get Ready for Fun with the Friends in 2025!

The Friends are planning a great year of events—and we hope you can join us! Our Used Book Sale, Craft Fair, and Harvest Festival raised record-setting funds in 2024 so we can all enjoy free summer concerts and great events at Bemis Public Library and the Littleton Museum. Mark your calendars for our 2025 events!

- **February–March:** Creative Writing Contest launch
- **March–April:** Littleton Craft Fair applications open
- **April 4–13:** Spring Fling Bag Sale at the Used Book Sale (\$10 per bag)
- **June 4, 11, 18, 25:** Free Summer Concerts at the Museum
- **July 9, 16, 23:** Free Summer Concerts at the Museum
- **July 11–27:** Christmas in July Sale at the Used Book Sale
- **Oct. 3:** Littleton Craft Fair
- **Oct 11:** Harvest Festival
- **Dec. 5–21:** Holiday Sale at the Used Book Sale
- **Dec. 14:** Holiday's Evening

For details on any events, visit:

- [FriendsLittleton.org](https://FriendsLittleton.org)
- [LittletonMuseum.org](https://LittletonMuseum.org)
- [Library.LittletonCO.gov](https://Library.LittletonCO.gov)

## *You Are Cordially Invited*

**Friends Annual Meeting!**  
**Friday, Feb. 28, 2025, 6–7:30 p.m.**  
**Littleton Museum**

Please come enjoy appetizers, discuss the Friends accomplishments for 2024, look forward to 2025, and vote on the slate of officers. Plus, Museum Director Tim Nimz will provide insight and share mockups of the first complete renovation of the History Gallery in 20 years! We look forward to seeing you!

**RSVP to [friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com](mailto:friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com)**

**Holiday's Evening 2024 a Great Success!** Sunday, Dec. 8, 2024, brought lovely weather for families and friends to celebrate an authentic 19<sup>th</sup>-century holiday at the Littleton Museum. Mark your calendar for next year's event on Dec. 14 and don't forget that Friends members get priority tickets.



# BEMIS PUBLIC LIBRARY

## REGISTRATION & INFO

To register for a program:

- Call the library at 303-795-3961, or
- Visit the Events Calendar at <https://bemis.libcal.com/calendar/events>

To sign up for the library's monthly eNewsletter for a full list of programs, visit [library.littletonco.gov](http://library.littletonco.gov) > Get Involved > Join Our eNewsletter.

## ONE BOOK ONE LITTLETON



**Water Is for Fightin', Tuesday, March 18, 6:30 p.m.** In the high and arid West, water determines success and failure, life and death. In *Little Britches: Father and I Were Ranchers*, Ralph Moody recalls the threat of violence and conflict he witnessed in the early 1900s during a dry season. Join Professor Michael Welsh to learn about the history of water in Colorado and the laws regulating this precious resource.

**Ralph Moody's Littleton, Tuesday, March 25, 6:30 p.m.** When Ralph Moody's family moved to Colorado in 1906, Ralph was 8 years old and Littleton was a small town far from the bustle of Denver. Join Littleton Museum curator Jenny Hankinson for a presentation through historic images and artifacts from the museum collection.

**For the Kids: Stick Pony Roundup Saturday, March 22.** Ralph Moody had to help his parents around the ranch before he could ride his horse in *Little Britches*. Make your own stick pony, help out with "chores," and test your galloping skills in the roundup.



## FEATURES

**Board Game Swap, Wednesday, March 5, 4–5 p.m.** Ready for some new-to-you board games? Drop off gently used games at the library between Feb. 26 and March 4 for tickets to the Board Game Swap Shop. Board games for all ages will be accepted in good condition with no missing pieces.

**Board Game Night, First Wednesdays, 5 p.m.** Enjoy an evening of family-friendly fun with the library's board game collection. Pizza and snacks will be served.

**Heritage Irish Stepdancers, Sunday, March 16, 3 p.m.** Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with Heritage Irish Stepdancers. The show features colorful costumed members performing a variety of foot-tapping, high-energy routines accompanied by traditional Irish music.

**An Evening with William Shakespeare, Tuesday, April 15, 6:30 p.m.** Join storyteller Kurtis Kelly for a program spotlighting the famous sonnets from the world of Shakespeare. As a costumed actor from the Globe Theatre, Kelly will share lore of the times and an assortment of the Bard's enduring verse, interspersed with Shakespeare trivia.

**Smithtonians Handbell Ensemble Spring Concert, Saturday, May 10, 11 a.m. & 1 p.m.**

## TEEN PROGRAMS

**Teen Advisory Group, Second Wednesdays, 5 p.m.** Help plan programs, choose new books and games, make friends, and have fun while earning community service credit. Participants of the current school year are invited to an exclusive Laser Tag event in May. Snacks will be served. Grades 6–12.

**Teen Takeovers  
Build a Box Fort  
Wednesday, March 19, 5 p.m.**

**DinoRama  
Wednesday, April 16, 5 p.m.**

**Summer Reading Program Poster Party  
Wednesday, May 21, 5 p.m.**

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

**Floating Friends Drop-In Craft, Friday, March 7, 9:30–11 a.m.** Drop in to the Cloud Forest and make and decorate a floating monster toy.



**The Wondr Show: Magic and Illusion, Sunday, March 23, 3 p.m.** Join Littleton native and magician Derek McKee from the Wondr Project for an enchanting display.

**Sewing for Tweens, Tuesday, March 25, 2:30–4 p.m.** Learn machine- and hand-sewing basics while making a micro-wearable hand warmer. Grades 4–6.

**Puppets & Things on Strings with Ventriloquist Mark Hellerstein, Wednesday, March 26, 11–11:45 a.m.** Enjoy a full-stage marionette puppet production of *Jack and the Beanstalk* narrated by Willy the Bookworm.

**Canyon Critters Reptile Show, Friday, March 28, 3 p.m.** The characteristics and behavior of each critter will be described as you get to touch them.



## BOOK CLUBS

**Afternoon Book Club, Wednesday, March 5, 1 p.m.** *Bright Young Women* by Jessica Knoll.

**Right to Read Book Club, Tuesday, March 11, 6:30 p.m.** *Flowers for Algernon* by Daniel Keyes; *The Speed of Dark* by Elizabeth Moon.

**Evening Book Club, Wednesday, March 19, 6:30 p.m.** *Malas* by Marcela Fuentes.

## ACTIVE MINDS

**March 24, 2 p.m:** Water in Colorado

**April 7, 2 p.m:** Mount Everest

**March 28, 2 p.m:** Puerto Rico

**May 19, 2 p.m:** Georgia O'Keefe

# LITTLETON MUSEUM

## MUSEUM INFO

The Littleton Museum is accredited by the American Association of Museums and is a Smithsonian Institution Affiliate.

- For details on events, visit [museum.littletonco.gov](http://museum.littletonco.gov) and click Events & Programs.
- To sign up for the bimonthly newsletter, visit [museum.littletonco.gov](http://museum.littletonco.gov), scroll to the bottom of the page, and click Sign Up to the Newsletter.



### Running West Exhibition through Saturday, April 19

The painted and polished bronze pieces of this exhibit celebrate the euphoric flow-state achieved during trail running, when mind and body synchronize with sensory input from the environment, creating a harmonious blend of perception and experience. The simplicity and clarity of each piece invite viewers to find beauty in fundamental elements, transforming trail inspirations into serene moments.



Saturday, May 3  
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Littleton Museum** 6028 S. Gallup St.  
Littleton, CO 80120

**Sheep to Shawl, May 3.** Have you ever wondered how your favorite wool sweater came into being? Join us for Sheep to Shawl to see wool transformed from freshly shorn fleece into the woolen items we know and love. Come see the wool process in action through demonstrations of sheep shearing, as well as skirting, washing, dyeing, and more. Kids will love to experience the journey of wool as they go through the wool processing obstacle course. No fee for admission. Fun for all ages.



### Dinosaurs: Fossils Exposed through April 6

Explore the bones and fossils of these giant creatures that once roamed the Earth. Enjoy up-close looks at fiberglass molds and foam models of skulls, arms, feet, and everything in between. The exhibit features six life-size skeletal molds of well-known dinosaurs such as Triceratops, Tyrannosaurus rex, and Velociraptor.

## Friends Board of Directors

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If you're interested in serving on the Friends board, email [friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com](mailto:friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com). The Oracle © is a quarterly 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, [museum.littletonco.gov](http://museum.littletonco.gov)  
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  
[bemis.marmot.org](http://bemis.marmot.org), [library.littletonco.gov](http://library.littletonco.gov)  
[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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# HISTORY ADVENTURES

## *It's Adventure Time!*

History Adventures helps young explorers understand the experiences of people from Colorado's past through hands-on activities and instruction from expert historical interpreters.

A benefit of Friends of the Littleton Library and Museum

membership is early registration and a 10% discount.

- These day-long activities are open to 12 children per session and require prior registration to attend.
- All sessions are from 9 a.m.–3 p.m. and cost \$50 per day per child.

- Sessions are June 17 & 18, July 1 & 2, July 15, and Aug. 5.

- Registration opens to Friends members on Tuesday, March 4, and to the general public on Tuesday, March 11.

For registration, visit [Littleton Museum.org](https://www.littletonmuseum.org) > [Events & Programs](#) > [History Adventures 2025](#).

## RUNNING WEST

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January 31  
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April 19, 2024

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