

## The Sounds of Summer!

The Friends annual Summer Concert Series attracted more than 3,000 community members this year. Attendees enjoyed a variety of bands, picnics, ice cream, and time with friends, family, and neighbors. Thank you to all our Friends—your membership helps fund this annual Littleton tradition.



## Used Book Sale



## Recycle Your Books & Never Pay Full Price at the Used Book Store

Thanks to our valued Used Book Store volunteers, our ongoing sales and special sales are raising record-setting numbers to fund museum and library programming that benefit our entire community.

Here's how to get involved:

**Shop!** Visit the Used Book Sale in Sophie's Place during regular Bemis Public Library hours. Cash preferred.

**Donate!** Drop off your used books and DVDs at the library front desk (limit of four boxes per visit, no VHS, no encyclopedias or textbooks). Donations are tax deductible.

**Volunteer!** If you're interested in helping with the Used Book Sale, email [friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com](mailto:friendslibrarymuseum@gmail.com). We need plenty of cashier help during our holiday sale, Nov. 30–Dec. 22.

## Volunteer Opportunities!

**Friends events are just as fun when you're volunteering! Meet people, help our community, and get some exercise.**

**Littleton Craft Fair, Oct. 5:** Information booth and parking help.

**Harvest Festival, Oct. 12:** Ticket sales, pumpkin sales, games, and more help.

**Contact:** Jen Small at [jsmall@littletongov.org](mailto:jsmall@littletongov.org)

**Used Book Sale:** Book sorting and cashier help needed.

**Friends Board:** Finance committee and board members needed. Craft Fair coordinator for 2025 needed.

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



# 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.



*Top to bottom: The bookmobile, stocked through donations from the Friends, at the Western Welcome Week Pancake Breakfast. The Mile High Musical Tails dancing dogs program at Bemis. The end-of-summer Family Fun Foam Fest with Ann Lincoln's Foam on the Range.*

## ADULT FALL PROGRAMS

### El Vaquero: The Eternal Cowboy.

**Sept. 17, 6:30 pm.** Angel Vigil presents the Spanish–Mexican origins of cowboy and ranch culture in the American West.

### Cinema Classic: *Clue*. Oct. 11, arrive by

**5:45 pm.** Enjoy a special screening of the classic comic mystery *Clue: The Movie* (PG, 1985). Come in costume as your favorite character, enjoy refreshments, and test your wits against the devious killer (or killers?)!

**An Indigenous History of Music. Oct. 15, 6–8:30 pm.** With multigenerational ancestral roots in both pioneer and Native American cultures, Leon Joseph Littlebird shares a passion for local history, storytelling, and music.

**Colorado Women in World War II with Gail M. Beaton. Nov. 19, 6:30 pm.** Colorado author Beaton shares stories of some of the many women from Colorado who served in World War II.

**Right-to-Read Book Club. Second Tuesday of Each Month, 6:30 pm.** Join Bemis Library for a new book club celebrating the freedom to read and engage in thoughtful, respectful conversations about difficult topics.

## ACTIVE MINDS

### Colorado Ballot Issues. Oct. 3, 6:30 pm.

Join Active Minds for an objective review of the issues on the ballot this fall. This nonpartisan educational session does not promote or support any particular election outcome.

**Salem Witches. Oct. 28, 2 pm.** Join us as we seek to understand the 1692 Salem Witch Trials in Salem, Mass.

## TEEN TAKEOVERS

### Temporary Tattoo Parlor. Sept. 18,

**5–6:30 pm.** Print custom designs, doodle with skin-safe markers, or build a full sleeve with a selection of provided temporary tattoos.

### Keychain Exchange. Oct. 16, 5–6:30 pm.

Bring baubles, gizmos, and charms to turn into keychains and exchange with the group.

### Friendship Bracelets. Nov. 20, 5–6:30 pm.

Make, trade, and collect different styles of woven and beaded friendship bracelets to layer or give as gifts.

## FOR THE KIDS

### Stuffed Animal Sleepover. Sept. 27 & 28.

Bring a stuffed animal to the library for a sleepover. Call, stop in, or check online for details.

### Fire & Ice with Mad Science of Colorado.

**Oct. 18, 11 am.** These impressive science experiments include foggy dry ice storms and demonstrates how giant beach balls can float in the air.

### Annual Halloween Costume Parade. Oct.

**24 & 25, 11 am.** Show off Halloween outfits, enjoy songs, and rhymes and collect treats along the path.

### World Children's Day. Nov. 23, 10 am–4 pm.

Come celebrate children around the world with music, dance, arts, crafts, and treats throughout the day.

### Thank Goodness for Bluey Party.\* Nov. 25,

**11 am.** Explore play stations based on favorite episodes and dance to Bluey tunes in the Dance Mode Zone.

### Gingerbread House Building Contest.\* Nov.

**30, 10 am–12 pm & 2–4 pm.** Sign up with a group or individually to create festive and edible architecture. Call, stop in, or check online for details.

## FOR SENIORS

### Estate Planning Basics. Sept. 10, 1 pm.

Estate planning is not just for the wealthy. Learn what you can do on your own to ensure assets are transferred according to your wishes.

### Medicare Update. Oct. 8, 1 pm.

Join Allen McGirl from McGirl Insurance to learn about new changes regarding Medicare and all the timelines to avoid missing any opportunities.

### Life Savors Guided Storytelling. First

**Tuesday of Each Month, 1 pm.** Join facilitator Daniel Martinez to share life stories in a positive environment. Find common experiences and unique perspectives with seniors in the community.



# 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.

## EVENTS

**Through Oct. 27:** *Below the Surface* mining exhibition—**see it before it's gone!**

**Friday, Sept. 20:** *A Place for All People: Introducing the National Museum of African American History and Culture* exhibition opens

**Saturday, Oct. 5:** Littleton Craft Fair at Ketrang Park, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

**Saturday, Oct. 12:** Harvest Festival at the museum, 10 a.m.–3 p.m.

**Friday, Nov. 8:** Holiday's Evening ticket presale for Friends members

**Sunday, Dec. 8:** Holiday's Evening at the museum, 5–8 p.m.



The annual **Harvest Festival** takes place Saturday, Oct. 12, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the living history farms of the Littleton Museum.

- Buy your Halloween pumpkins
- Enjoy wagon rides, 1890s carnival games, and other family-friendly activities
- Take some autumn-themed photos at our photo-op stations
- Bring your wagon—pumpkins can be heavy!

Admission is free! Enjoy musical performances and photo opportunities at no cost. Games, refreshments, and wagon rides require tickets, which can be purchased at the event or online starting September 3 and picked up at will-call on your way in.

Purchase pumpkins at the event with cash or check. ATM available on-site.

## 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)

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

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# Littleton CRAFT FAIR

The 53<sup>rd</sup> annual Littleton Craft Fair is taking place Saturday, Oct. 5, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at scenic Ketring Park, just north of the Littleton Museum at 6028 S. Gallup St. You'll find unique, wonderful, handcrafted items for sale from 240+ friendly crafters. Proceeds from this much-anticipated fair help fund programs at the Littleton Museum and Bemis Public Library. For details on food, parking, and more, visit [littletoncraftfair.org](http://littletoncraftfair.org) and click "For Shoppers" on the menu.



**Don't Miss the Craft Fair!**

**Saturday, Oct. 5, 2024**

**9 a.m.–4 p.m.**

**Ketring Park, Littleton**

*A Big Thank You to Lifetime for sponsoring the  
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## Littleton Museum Exhibits

Visit [museum.littletonco.gov/exhibits](http://museum.littletonco.gov/exhibits) for details!