

2026

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Friday Afternoon Concert Series: The Hummin' Birds

  
**LONGMONT  
MUSEUM**  
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## MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

*Dear members & friends,*

The Museum's expansion project becomes more concrete every day. We've passed the years of planning and gathering support, and the months of work on foundation, utilities, drainage, and other vitally important but largely invisible parts of construction. Now it's time to watch beams, joists and drywall start to define galleries, halls and our expanded lobby.

This year we also commemorate two extraordinary historic milestones—250 years since the Declaration of Independence, and 150 years since Colorado became a state. This spring, our Auditorium programs honor these two anniversaries with American roots, jazz and classical music, dance with the Mariposa Collective, a talk on Colorado Utopias, and much more!

Our education department is continuing with long-standing programs like Discovery Days and Art & Sip, while experimenting with newer offerings such as our in-depth adult art classes called the Studio Series, and our new after-school music series for elementary school aged kids.

Our museum expansion wouldn't be possible without your support—thank you!



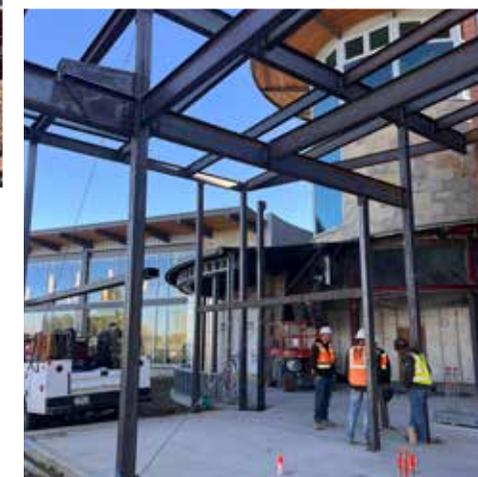
Erik Mason  
Museum Director



## EXPANSION UPDATE

The final phase of our expansion construction is well underway, and our galleries are closed for transformation! Watch for email and social media updates about impacts to parking and Museum entrance location.

**There will be no exhibits until Fall 2026, but our programs continue!**



Thanks to you, the Longmont Museum building construction is completely funded! With your generosity, we raised more than \$10 million and are now able to see this expansion start to take shape.

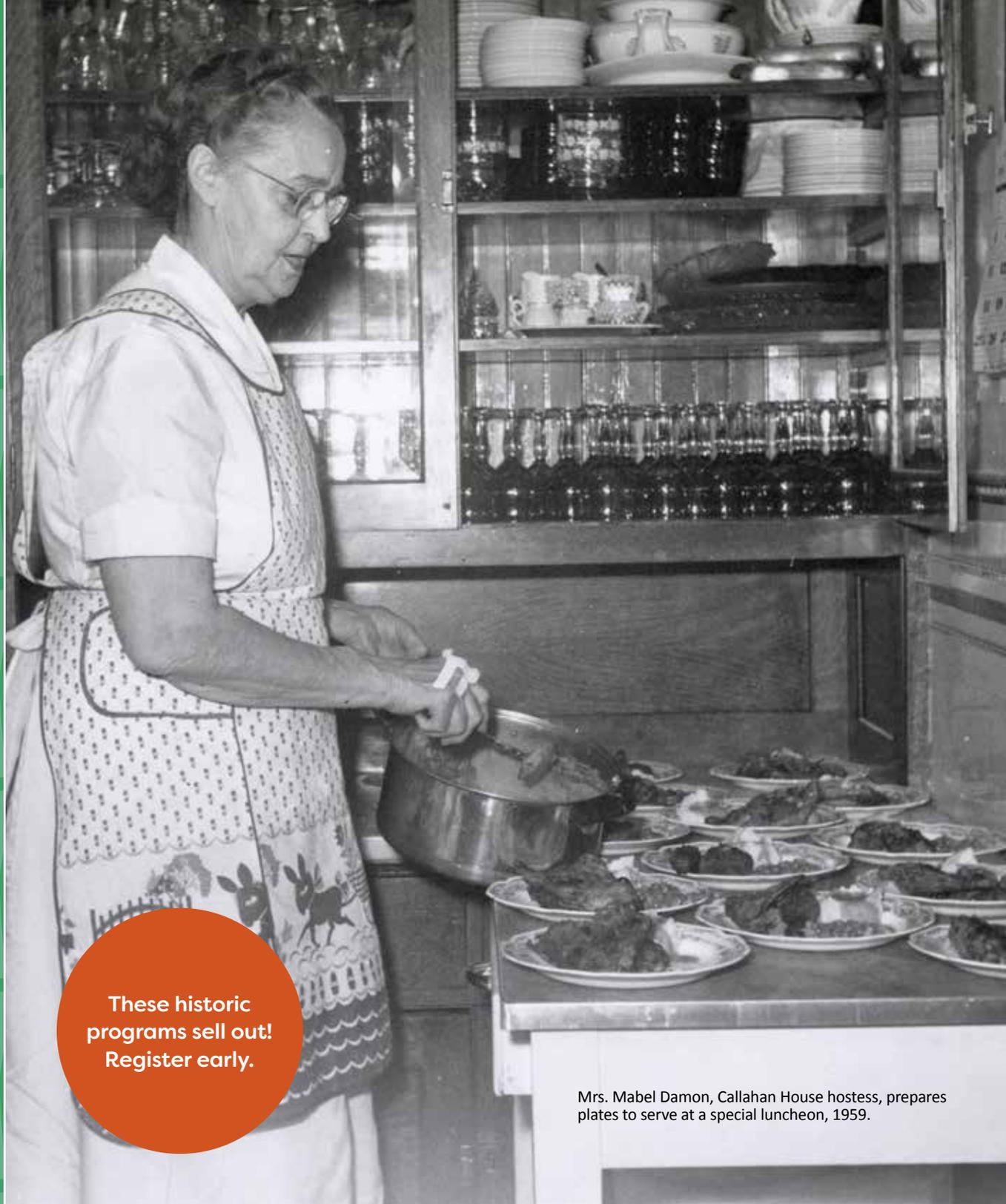
While the construction phase is funded, the Museum is still raising funds to design and create the inside of the expansion. The best is yet to come, and we look forward to inviting you into the expanded and updated Longmont Museum in Fall 2026.



### What to expect with the expansion:

- A brand-new Feature Gallery, larger and better equipped than our previous special exhibit gallery
- “Dream Lab” in Lila’s Children’s Gallery, featuring imaginative and interactive hands-on play spaces
- A more accessible entrance and larger, light-filled lobby
- The same great programming, exhibits, camps and classes you’ve come to expect from the Longmont Museum

**To support the expansion and learn more, visit [supportlongmontmuseum.org](http://supportlongmontmuseum.org) or contact Fund Development Manager Meaghan Peters, 303-774-4508.**



These historic programs sell out! Register early.

Mrs. Mabel Damon, Callahan House hostess, prepares plates to serve at a special luncheon, 1959.

# HISTORIC LONGMONT

## TALKS WITH THE CURATOR:



### WE MADE IT! THE HISTORY OF CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES IN LONGMONT

Friday, Feb. 27, 2:30 pm, Classroom C; free, reservations recommended

Curator of History Elizabeth Beaudoin will share photographs and artifacts from the Museum's historic collection that document Longmont's anniversary commemorations as we celebrate both the 150th anniversary of the State of Colorado and the 250th anniversary of the United States in 2026.



### LONGMONT'S FOUNDING: CHICAGO IDEALISM MEETS COLORADO REALITY

Friday, March. 27, 2:30 pm, Classroom C; free, reservations recommended

Longmont Museum Director Erik Mason will discuss the founding of Longmont by the Chicago-Colorado Colony, the idealism of its founders and the challenges they faced after arriving and settling.

St. Vrain Hotel and grocery store on Main Street, 1872



### GRANDMA'S RECIPE BOX POTLUCK

Friday, April 24, 2:30 pm, Classroom C; free, reservations recommended

Join us for a low-key event of sharing family recipes and learning about the history of food in Longmont from Curator of History Elizabeth Beaudoin. Must register and indicate if you are bringing a dish. Details will follow with registration (i.e. a prompt to write what this dish means to your family, any allergen information, etc.).



Bicultural celebration at Longmont Estates Elementary School, 1976

## BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR OF THE MUSEUM COLLECTIONS CENTER

Tuesday, March 10, 10:30 am & 5:30 pm; \$15

Explore how the Museum staff cares for nearly 17,000 three-dimensional historic objects in this behind-the-scenes tour of the Museum Collections Center with Curator of History Elizabeth Beaudoin.



# Thursday Nights

@ THE MUSEUM

Thursday nights, Jan. 22–May 7

4 pm: Art & Sip classes

6 pm: Bar & lounge

6:30 pm: Art & Sip classes

6:45 pm: Auditorium doors open

7 pm: Films, performances & talks

Spend your Thursday evenings at the Longmont Museum this winter and spring for adult **Art & Sip** classes and films, performances, and conversations in our 250-seat Stewart Auditorium.

**Wine, beer and concessions available for purchase**



A Century of Jazz in Colorado, Feb. 12



LONGMONT PUBLIC MEDIA

Free Thursday night programs are also available via livestream on Facebook Live, Ch. 8/880 or at [longmontpublicmedia.org](http://longmontpublicmedia.org).

## FILM

\$12 general admission, \$8 members

**MR. SMITH GOES TO WASHINGTON** (1939, NR)

Thursday, Jan. 29

An idealistic young senator (Jimmy Stewart) battles political corruption in Washington, D.C., determined to stand up for truth and democracy despite powerful opposition.



**CASABLANCA** (1942, NR)

Thursday, Feb. 5

An American expat club owner (Humphrey Bogart) in Nazi-occupied Morocco nurses a broken heart after his sweetheart (Ingrid Bergman) disappeared from his side. Sparks fly when she re-enters his life with her fugitive, resistance-leader husband.

**AMERICAN GRAFFITI** (1973, PG)

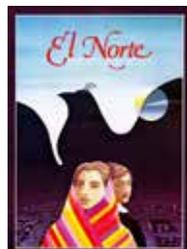
Thursday, Feb. 19

On their last night before college, a group of teenagers (Ron Howard, Richard Dreyfuss, Harrison Ford, Suzanne Somers) cruise the streets, chase love, and confront the uncertainties of growing up in early 1960s America. Directed by George Lucas and produced by Francis Ford Coppola.

**EL NORTE** (1983, R)

Thursday, March 5

A brother and sister flee political persecution in Guatemala and undertake a perilous journey to the United States in search of a better life.



**DO THE RIGHT THING** (1989, R)

Thursday, March 26

This Spike Lee landmark in American cinema depicts rising racial tensions in a Brooklyn neighborhood on the hottest day of the summer, ultimately erupting into violence and forcing everyone to confront issues of prejudice and justice.

**EVERYTHING, EVERYWHERE, ALL AT ONCE** (2022, R)

Thursday, April 16

An audit of a Chinese-American's (Michelle Yeoh) laundromat triggers a heroic journey across the multiverse where the only constant is her complicated love for her family.



## TALKS

Free; reservations recommended

**THE GOOD OLD DAYS: AMERICA MISREMEMBERED**

Thursday, Jan. 29

With **Greg Dickinson, Colorado State University; Jeremy Morton, History Colorado; and more**

Amidst a rapidly changing society, anxiety can drive desire for a return to a past that never was. Join us for an exploration of America's unique brand of nostalgia and the cost we pay for romanticizing our history.

**VOICES OF CHANGE: A CIVICS LESSON**

Thursday, Feb. 26

With **Tom Cosgrove, President of New Voice Strategies; Molly Fitzpatrick, Boulder County Clerk & Recorder; and Sandi Seader, Longmont Assistant City Manager**

From the branches of government and our system of checks and balances to public service and free and fair elections, join us for a mini-refresher course on just how this whole representative democracy thing works. Co-presented with the Longmont Multicultural Action Committee.

**THE RISE & FALL OF THE GREAT AMERICAN LAWN**

Thursday, March 19

With **Emily Maeda, Tree of Life Landscapes and Michael Guidi, Denver Botanic Gardens**

Along with a white picket fence, a perfectly manicured expansive lawn has long been synonymous with the American Dream. However, in terms of biodiversity and the environment, they're a disaster. Join us as we trace the history of the American lawn and offer up some alternatives along the way.

**NSF NCAR EXPLORER SERIES:**

**A TOTAL ECLIPSE OF THE SUN**

Thursday, April 23

Film & panel with **NSF NCAR scientists Paul Bryans and Sarah Kovac; Amir Caspi, Southwest Research Institute; and NSF NCAR educator Daniel Zietlow**

Join us for a documentary film on the Citizen CATE 2024 mission, which united communities across the U.S. to capture more than 47,000 images of our Sun's outer atmosphere during a total solar eclipse, followed by conversation.

**UTOPIAN COLORADO**

Thursday, April 30

With **Chris Bowles, Greeley History Museum; Jason Hanson, History Colorado; and Elizabeth Beaudoin, Longmont Museum**

America has been home to a multitude of utopian and intentional communities since its founding, many of which were formed right here in Colorado, including Dearfield, Piñon, Greeley, and even our own Longmont.



## PERFORMANCE

\$18 general admission, \$15 members

**A CENTURY OF JAZZ IN COLORADO**

Thursday, Feb. 12

Featuring **The Five Points Ambassadors**

Join us for a concert celebrating 100 years of jazz in the Centennial State and to mark the passing of a pair of Colorado jazz legends Charles Burrell (1920-2025) and Purnell Steen (1941-2025).

**THE BIRTH OF AMERICAN CLASSICAL MUSIC: DVOŘÁK, GERSHWIN & COPLAND**

Thursday, March 12

Featuring the **Longmont Symphony Orchestra**

Antonín Dvořák's American Quartet (1893) inspired American composers to create music that reflected their own culture. George Gershwin's "Lullaby" (1919) represents one of the earliest attempts, while Aaron Copland's "Appalachian Spring" stands as a quintessential expression of the country's simplicity and optimism (1944).

**MONT ALTO MOTION PICTURE**

**ORCHESTRA: THE GENERAL (1926)**

Thursday, April 2

Mont Alto Motion Picture Orchestra returns to provide live orchestration for one of the most revered comedies of the silent era. Buster Keaton stars as hapless Southern railroad engineer Johnny Gray who faces off against Union soldiers during the American Civil War.



**LIFE, LIBERTY & THE PURSUIT OF A NARRATIVE**

Thursday, April 9

Featuring **Stories on Stage actors**

Celebrating their 25th season, Stories on Stage presents renowned actors performing dynamic and entertaining short stories written by authors who are as diverse as the people who call Colorado home.

**BONNIE & TAYLOR SIMS AND FRIENDS**

Thursday, May 7

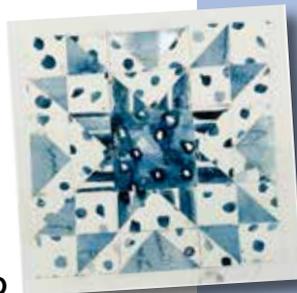
Featuring **Chris Daniels, Mollie O'Brien & Rich Moore and Hazel Royer**

Join Longmont's own Bonnie & Taylor Sims as they gather singer-songwriter friends (new and old) for an intimate evening of original American roots music accompanied by some conversation on the fine art of songwriting.

## ADULT CLASSES ART & SIP

Thursday nights,  
Jan. 22–May 7,  
4–6 pm AND 6:30–8:30 pm, \$40

Grab a drink and get creative with these classes designed to guide beginners as well as bring new skills to experienced artists and crafters. Beer, wine, non-alcoholic drinks and snacks are available for purchase.



### WATERCOLOR QUILT SQUARE

Thursday, Feb. 12  
Instructor: Julie Benoit

Celebrate Black History Month and the rich heritage and vibrant artistry of Gee's Bend, Alabama's improvisational quilts through the delicate and expressive medium of watercolor and collage.

### MAROON BELLS NEEDLE FELTED LANDSCAPE

Thursday, Feb. 19  
Instructor: Ann Macca

Nothing says Colorado like majestic mountains towering over an alpine meadow filled with wildflowers. Learn beginner needle felting techniques to create a two-dimensional landscape image of the Maroon Bells peaks on fabric. This technique can be used to create decorative art to hang in your home or to embellish clothing.



### PROTEST POSTERS

Thursday, Feb. 26  
Instructor: Julie Benoit

Make your voice visible as you create bold, impactful protest signs that express your values, passions and calls for justice. We will explore how to craft your message for impact and lettering techniques that will make your words stand out.



### ZENTANGLE ON WOOD

Thursday, March 5  
Instructor: Julie Benoit

Relax while you learn the calming art of Zentangle. You will create mesmerizing designs on tree cookies, natural wooden slices. This class blends mindfulness, creativity and nature as you learn how to transform simple wood slices into meditative works of art.



### SPRING VEGETABLE WATERCOLOR

Thursday, March 12  
Instructor: Leigh Putman

Enjoy a spring veggie harvest early with this watercolor painting. Use watercolor to create your favorite vegetables in a simple fresh style.

### FISH BLOCK PRINTING ON NAPKINS

Thursday, March 19  
Instructor: Ann Macca

Design and create your own set of original cloth dinner napkins using hand-carved printing blocks. With this whimsical fish design, they'll be perfect for your next seafood meal!



### FLORAL ROCK PAINTING

Thursday, March 26  
Instructor: Ann Macca

Inspired by Scandinavian folk art, we will paint stylized floral patterns on rocks. Take them home and decorate your windowsill or your emerging garden with reminders that spring has begun.



### NIGHT SKY WATERCOLOR

Thursday, April 2  
Instructor: Leigh Putman

Humankind has long stared up at the stars and wondered. With this watercolor painting of a night sky in the woods, we'll create a place where your mind can wander.



### VISIBLE MENDING

Thursday, April 9  
Instructor: Julie Benoit

Learn the sustainable art of repairing clothes using colorful threads, patches and more! Visible mending celebrates flaws rather than hiding them and makes your clothes last longer with beautiful, intentional repairs.



### WATERCOLOR STRAWBERRY DOODLES

Thursday, April 16  
Instructor: Leigh Putman

Celebrate the freshness of strawberries in this custom greeting card watercolor class. Paint a scattering of strawberries and add ink details to make these whimsical watercolor doodles.

### ABSTRACT WATERCOLOR LANDSCAPES

Thursday, April 23  
Instructor: Julie Benoit

Explore the beauty of landscapes through the fluid, vibrant medium of watercolor with an abstract twist. You will learn to move beyond realistic depiction and instead focus on color, shape and mood to capture the essence of natural scenes.



### ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK EMBROIDERY

Thursday, April 30  
Instructor: Julie Benoit

Capture the breathtaking beauty of the Rockies one stitch at a time. We'll explore a variety of basic embroidery techniques to bring nature to life with a needle and thread.



### NEEDLE FELTED POPPIES

Thursday, May 7  
Instructor: Julie Benoit

Discover the art of sculpting with wool as you make beautiful three-dimensional needle felted poppy flowers. Learn basic felting techniques, tips for working safely with needles, and creative ways to personalize your artwork with color and texture.



These classes sell out fast! Register online at [longmontmuseum.org](http://longmontmuseum.org) or call 303-651-8374.

## ONGOING

**Discovery Days Music & Movement** (p. 16)

Tuesdays; Classroom C

Jan. 13–May 5 (except Spring Break week)

9:15 am, 10:45 am, 1 pm

45 min–1 hour per session

**Discovery Days Art** (p. 16)

Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, AND Saturdays; Classroom AB

Jan. 14–May 9 (except Spring Break week)

9:15 am, 10:45 am, 1 pm

1 hour 15 minutes per session

**Teen Craft & Create Club** (p. 18)

Wednesdays; Classroom D

Jan. 14–May 6 (except Spring Break week)

3–5 pm

**After School Music Classes** (p. 18)

Most Tuesdays Feb. 3–April 28

4–5 pm

**Adult Studio Series** (back cover)

Most Tuesdays, Feb. 3–April 21

9:30–11:30 am

## JANUARY

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Discovery Days Music &amp; Movement

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# LONGMONT MUSEUM PRESENTS



## CELEBRATE VALENTINE'S DAY WITH 11 AFTER THEATRE COMPANY "FIRST DATE" MUSICAL COMEDY

**Friday & Saturday, Feb. 13 and Feb. 14**  
**6:30 pm live music & chocolate**  
**7 pm performance**

**Sunday, Feb. 15**  
**2:30 pm live music & chocolate**  
**3 pm performance**

**Reserved seating: \$36, \$32 members**

An unforgettable evening to celebrate Valentine's Day! Start things off with complementary chocolate, a cash bar and live piano music in our Swan Atrium. Then, step into our Stewart Auditorium for the musical comedy "First Date." When inexperienced Aaron is set up with serial-dater Casey on a blind date, a casual drink at a busy New York restaurant turns into a hilarious high-stakes dinner. In a delightful and unexpected twist, Casey and Aaron's inner critics take on a life of their own when other restaurant patrons transform into supportive best friends, manipulative exes and protective parents, who sing and dance them through ice-breakers, appetizers and potential conversational land mines. Can this couple turn what could be a dating disaster into something special before the check arrives?

*"First Date" is presented in special arrangement with Concord Theatricals.*

## "THE LONGEST WALK" (1942, NR)

Screening followed by a conversation with the film's director Vohn Regensburger and Shanti Zaid of the Blair Caldwell African-American Research Library

**Sunday, Feb. 22, 2:30 pm; \$12 general, \$8 members**

Join us for a special screening of a documentary celebrating the life and work of the "Jackie Robinson of Classical Music." In 1949, Charles Burrell (1921-2025) became the first person of color to play with a major symphony orchestra in the U.S. With the exception of six years with the San Francisco Symphony, Charlie spent the entirety of his career in Denver, retiring from the Colorado Symphony in 1999. Not limited to classical music, he also ascended to the highest levels of jazz playing in some of Denver's most hallowed Five Points venues with such legends as Billie Holiday, Ella Fitzgerald, Benny Goodman, Duke Ellington, Miles Davis and more.

## THE LIBRARY @ THE MUSEUM

### "THE LIBRARIANS" (2025, NR) DOCUMENTARY FILM SCREENING

**Sunday, March 1, 2:30 pm;**

**free, reservations recommended**

Librarians emerge as first responders in the fight for democracy and our First Amendment Rights. As they well know, controlling the flow of ideas means control over communities. In Texas, the Krause List targets 850 books focused on race and LGBTQia+ stories—triggering sweeping book bans across the U.S. at an unprecedented rate. Facing harassment, threats and laws aimed at criminalizing their work, the librarians' rallying cry for freedom to read is a chilling cautionary tale.



## THE MARIPOSA COLLECTIVE REMINISCENCES

**Featuring original work by Lauren Beale, Alli Jones, Jeny Jones, Jesús Muñoz, Kim Olson, David Ortolano, Brandon Welch, Celia Grannum Perarnaud, Bridget Ryan and Betsy Tobin**

**Friday & Saturday, March 6 & 7, 7 pm;**

**Reserved seating: \$28, \$25 members**

The Mariposa Collective joins us for a pair of evenings exploring memory, experience and transformation. Demonstrating the collective's commitment to artistic innovation and collaboration and featuring original works from a diverse roster of established and emerging local talent, "Reminiscences" will weave together the athleticism of contemporary dance, the narrative depth of theater, and the visual artistry of shadow puppetry.

Get tickets at  
[longmontmuseum.org](https://longmontmuseum.org)  
or by calling  
303-651-8374



## FRIDAY AFTERNOON CONCERT SERIES

**\$12 general admission, \$8 members**

Enjoy an afternoon of live music in our Stewart Auditorium this winter and spring featuring an eclectic array of musical acts from up and down the Front Range.

### BLESSING BLEDED CHIMANGA

**Feb. 13, 2:30 pm**

Internationally celebrated Zimbabwean musician Blessing Chimanga is renowned for his extraordinary talent as a marimba player, singer, songwriter and percussionist. As a cultural ambassador for Zimbabwe, he has captivated audiences across Asia, Europe, North and South America, and Africa.



Blessing Bled Chimanga

### THE HUMMIN' BIRDS

**April 10, 2:30 pm**

For more than 20 years, The Hummin' Birds have been bringing the spirit of early American music to life. Born out of Minnesota's bluegrass and old-time scene, Cami Harris and Mike Silbernagel honed their sound through late-night jams and festival campfires before winning first place in a 2006 Minnesota State Fair duet contest. Now based in Denver, the duo shares their signature harmonies, timeless song interpretations, and heartfelt originals with audiences across the Front Range and Midwest.



Gora Gora Orkestar

### GORA GORA ORKESTAR

**March 13, 2:30 pm**

Known for their driving rhythms and innovative approaches to the traditional music of Eastern Europe, this 11-piece brass band brings the sounds of the Old World to the Rocky Mountains performing high-energy Balkan and Klezmer music.



22ND ANNIVERSARY

## BOULDER INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

**Friday Sunday, April 10-12**

**\$19 general admission, \$16 members**  
**BIFF Longmont Pass \$175 / \$160 members**

The Museum welcomes the Boulder International Film Festival back to the Stewart Auditorium for three glorious days featuring a wide variety of films from local, national and international filmmakers.

### CELEBRATE BIFF! OPENING NIGHT PARTY

**Friday, April 10, 5:30 pm**

**Free with tickets to the Friday night screening**

Walk the red carpet, pause for photos and join us as we kick off this year's Boulder International Film Festival with complimentary drinks, hors d'oeuvres and live music.



Visit [biff1.com](http://biff1.com) for detailed program information or [longmontmuseum.org](http://longmontmuseum.org) to buy tickets, on sale starting March 13.

For more films, check out our Thursday Nights @ the Museum on p. 6.

# LONGMONT MUSEUM DISCOVERY DAYS

**Ages 2-6 with an adult**

**Fees collected for all people ages 2 and up \$2.50 for members, \$2.75 for non-members**  
**Max attendance per session is 40 people (adults & children)**

Discovery Days is an early childhood program for children ages 2 to 6 and their caregivers to have fun together with educational, hands-on art, music and movement activities. When you attend Discovery Days with your child, you will help them cultivate important school-readiness skills, such as language development, attention, concentration, fine motor skills, emotional regulation, and play and social abilities.

Attend a session that fits your schedule—no registration needed.



### WINTER/SPRING THEMES:

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| <b>Jan. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17</b>   | <b>Cats &amp; Dogs</b>                             |
| <b>Jan. 20, 21, 22, 23, 24</b>   | <b>Airplanes &amp; Things that Fly</b>             |
| <b>Jan. 27, 28, 29, 30, 31</b>   | <b>Yummy Foods</b>                                 |
| <b>Feb. 3, 4*, 5, 6, 7</b>       | <b>Sports</b>                                      |
| <b>Feb. 10, 11, 12, 13*, 14</b>  | <b>Valentine's Day</b>                             |
| <b>Feb. 17, 18, 19, 20, 21</b>   | <b>Rainforest</b>                                  |
| <b>Feb. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28</b>   | <b>Cute Little Monsters</b>                        |
| <b>Mar. 3, 4*, 5, 6, 7</b>       | <b>Animals of Africa</b>                           |
| <b>Mar. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14</b>   | <b>Butterflies &amp; Birds</b>                     |
| <i>Mar. 17, 18, 19, 20, 21</i>   | <i>No Discovery Days during SVVSD Spring Break</i> |
| <b>Mar. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28</b>   | <b>Lizards, Frogs &amp; Reptiles</b>               |
| <b>Mar. 31, Apr. 1*, 2, 3, 4</b> | <b>Fairies &amp; Gnomes</b>                        |
| <b>Apr. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11</b>      | <b>Springtime</b>                                  |
| <b>Apr. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18</b>   | <b>Boats &amp; Ships</b>                           |
| <b>Apr. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25</b>   | <b>Bugs, Bugs, Bugs</b>                            |
| <b>Apr. 28, 29, 30, May 1, 2</b> | <b>Rainbows</b>                                    |
| <b>May 5, 6*, 7, 8, 9</b>        | <b>Handmade Gifts</b>                              |

### Big Kid Friendly Days

For children up to age 11 on late start or no school days in the SVVSD. Regular fees apply.  
**Late Start:** 1st Wednesdays, Feb. 4, March 4, April 1, and May 6; 9:15 am and 10:45 am sessions  
**No School:** Friday, Feb. 13, all sessions

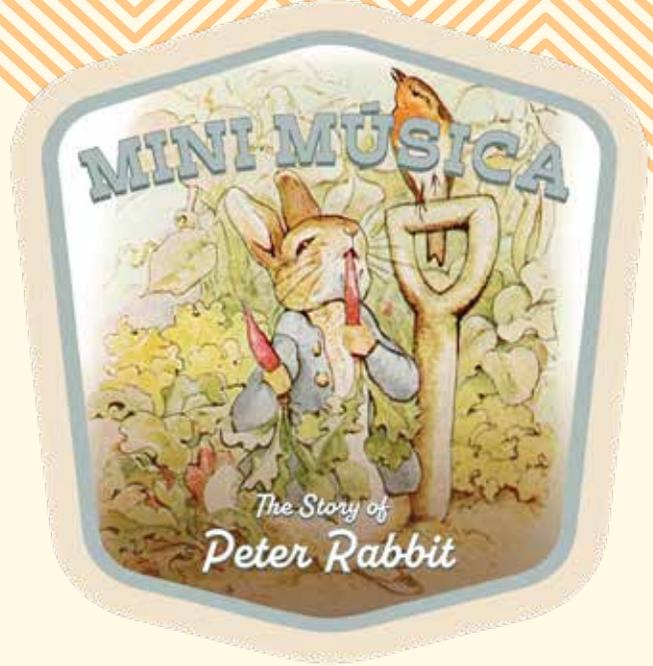


Thanks to the generous support of the Dodge Family Fund, scholarships are available!

# DISCOVERY DAYS BIRTHDAY PARTIES

**Friday or Saturday afternoons; 2:30 pm-4:30pm; \$275**  
**Designed for children ages 2-6**

Do your children love Discovery Days? Good news! This spring we are offering Discovery Days birthday parties! Your party will begin at 2:30 pm with a private one-hour crafting session featuring the Discovery Days theme of the week. At 3:30 your party will move to the room next door to enjoy snacks and present time. Reserve your party at [longmontmuseum.org](http://longmontmuseum.org); availability is very limited!



# COLORADO SYMPHONY: MINI MÚSICA CONCERT THE STORY OF PETER RABBIT

**Saturday, April 4, 10 am & 11:30 am; free, reservations required**

The beloved children's tale "The Story of Peter Rabbit" comes to life in the form of "Mini Música"—an interactive, bilingual story time concert for young audiences ages 0 to 7. Featuring a 16-piece orchestra and a narrator who dances and sings in English and Spanish, this program is designed to engage young children through a musical telling of a classic children's story. As part of the Colorado Symphony's commitment to early childhood education literacy initiatives, all concert attendees will receive a complimentary bilingual storybook at each concert.



### DISCOVERY DAYS MUSIC & MOVEMENT WITH MS. RAGEN

**Tuesdays; Classroom C**  
**Jan. 13-May 5**  
**9:15 am, 10:45 am, and 1 pm**  
**45 minutes-1 hour per session**

### DISCOVERY DAYS ART WITH MS. LEIGH & HENRY

**Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays AND Saturdays; Classroom AB**  
**Jan. 14-May 9**  
**9:15 am, 10:45 am, and 1 pm**  
**1 hour and 15 minutes per session**

## AFTER SCHOOL MUSIC CLASSES

Tuesdays, 4–5 pm, \$150 per 4-class series  
Instructor: **Ragen Breath**

Join us on a musical adventure designed for beginners to try new musical opportunities and develop their skills. Each 4-week series offers a dynamic experience that nurtures creativity and builds confidence in every young performer!



### SING & SIGN

Feb. 3, 10, 17, 24  
Ages 5–7

Learn to sign while you sing! This fun-filled class teaches basic America Sign Language (ASL) through your favorite songs. Students will learn to sing and sign in a group, learn about ASL culture, and play music games that get everyone moving and learning together.

### MAKING INSTRUMENTS & MUSIC

April 7, 14, 21, 28  
Ages 5–7

Create your own band, one instrument at a time! Build your own instruments, explore sound through art, and make music with your handmade creations in this imaginative, hands-on class.

### UKULELE JAM

March 3, 10, 24, 31  
(no class March 17 SVVSD Spring Break)  
Ages 8–13

Strum, play and jam away! In this beginner-friendly ukulele class, students will learn chords, songs and performance skills in a relaxed, music-loving environment. Ukuleles are available to use for a deposit.

## TEEN CRAFT & CREATE CLUB

Wednesdays, Jan. 14–May 6, 3–5 pm,  
ages 13–18; free, suggested donation \$5

Teen Craft & Create is a weekly drop-in club dedicated to teenagers! Join us each week for crafting, snacks and just to hangout! Each week we will explore a new activity such as collage, painting, fiber art and free-choice art making time. This program is perfect for teens who want to explore their creative selves and make some new friends along the way. *No club during SVVSD spring break week, March 16.*



## BECOME A MUSEUM MEMBER

The Longmont Museum is a center for culture in Northern Colorado where people of all ages explore history, experience art, and discover new ideas through dynamic programs, exhibitions, and events. Your membership provides vital support for the Museum, while giving you access to transformative cultural experiences that engage and inspire..

### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP COST

\$30: Senior/Student Individual  
\$40: Individual  
\$50: Dual  
\$60: Family/Grandparent  
\$80: Family Plus  
\$250: Giving Club

All contributions over the cost of membership go toward sustaining the mission and vision of the Longmont Museum.

### MEMBER BENEFITS

- Free admission to all exhibitions once the gallery reopens
- 10% discount on adult and children's classes and camps
- Discounts on programs in our Stewart Auditorium
- 10% discount in the Museum Gift Shop

With a contribution of at least \$250, Giving Club membership has additional benefits, including complimentary guest passes, invitations to private regional arts excursions, and reciprocal admission benefits to 850 North American museums.



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### HOURS

The Museum is currently only open during programs and does not have regular hours due to building expansion construction (read more on page 3).

If you need special assistance in order to visit or attend or access a program, please contact the Museum ten days in advance to make arrangements.





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## ADULTS: THE STUDIO SERIES

**Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30 am, \$130 per 3-class series**

Build on what you have learned each week in The Studio Series! Each 3-class series provides an opportunity for adults to dive deeper into arts and crafts while enhancing their knowledge and skills in a variety of mediums and techniques.

### **SERIES 1: INTRO TO WATERCOLOR**

**Feb. 3, 10, 17**

**Instructor: Leigh Putman**

Learn watercolor basics to start you on your painting journey. Gain a working understanding of foundational watercolor painting skills including stretching paper, creating a good composition, color mixing, value scales and application, and brush-stroke techniques to take you from a drawing to a finished painting.

### **SERIES 2: APPLIQUÉ SEWING**

**March 3, 10, 24**

**Instructor: Julie Benoit**

Learn how to transform fabric into scenic artwork in this series. Perfect for quilters, sewists and creative makers of all levels, this class will guide you step-by-step through the art of landscape appliqué.



### **SERIES 3: MINI QUILT WALL HANGING**

**April 7, 14, 21**

**Instructor: Julie Benoit**

Create a charming mini quilt inspired by the famous "Love" postage stamps! In this class, you'll learn how to piece fabric featuring the word LOVE using simple patchwork and quilting techniques. Perfect for beginners and intermediate quilters, this project combines classic design with a modern twist, resulting in a beautiful, quilted piece ideal for wall art.

