

2026

FALL

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Frida Kahlo, 1942, photograph by Guillermo Kahlo



MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Hello all!

After years of planning and many months of construction, the Museum's expansion will open on Saturday, Oct. 17 with a free all-day celebration! This is all made possible thanks to the incredible support of more than 450 community members, and an amazing lead gift from the Stewart Family Foundation. We are so grateful.

While the building may be nearly complete, the Museum's transformation is ongoing. We'll resume a regular schedule of changing exhibitions, beginning with our inaugural exhibition, "Frida Kahlo: An Intimate Portrait" and the accompanying "Women Artists: Four Centuries of Creativity," followed by exhibitions featuring contemporary art quilts, the art of the Japanese kimono, and visions of futurism from diverse artists. In Lila's Children's Gallery, "DreamLab" is designed to continually evolve, bringing new surprises and hands-on experiences throughout the year.

We're also opening a long-term history exhibition in January showcasing objects from the Museum's collection, while beginning development of a new permanent history exhibition. In addition, planning is underway for a new exhibition in the third-floor Longs Peak Room that explores our natural environment.

Support from the community is essential to make all these projects happen, which is why I am inviting you to attend our 3rd annual Sunset Soirée Friday, Sept. 11, focused on funding the development of our permanent history exhibition. I hope to see you there.



Erik Mason
Museum Director



THE LONGMONT MUSEUM'S 3RD ANNUAL

Sunset Soirée

**THE FUTURE
OF HISTORY**

FRIDAY, SEPT. 11, 6–9 PM

Individual tickets are \$100, or support the Museum at a higher level with an entire eight-person table for \$1000

Join us as we celebrate and raise support for the Longmont Museum at our 3rd annual gala in our beautiful outdoor Stewart Family Courtyard! As the sun sets over Longs Peak, you'll enjoy an **open bar with signature cocktails, a three-course meal, and a live musical journey through time** with Dave Devine & Friends.

All funds raised will support our major Museum expansion, including our new permanent history gallery documenting 14,000 years of human history in the St. Vrain Valley. **We invite you to come dressed from your favorite decade in Longmont's history.** With a visit from Doc Brown and a real DeLorean (courtesy of Stephen Tebo and Tebo Properties), this journey through "The Future of History" is sure to be a night to remember.

BEFORE SUNSET RECEPTION

Friday, Sept. 11, 5–6 pm
\$50 add-on ticket, limited to 60 guests

Be among the first to step into the future of the Longmont Museum. This limited-admission preview experience immediately before the Soirée includes specialty cocktails, custom branded glassware, hors d'oeuvres, and exclusive early access to the Museum expansion before the general public.

Space is limited. Tickets on sale now through Sept. 4 at supportlongmontmuseum.org or by calling 303-774-4508.



GRAND REOPENING CELEBRATION

**Saturday,
Oct. 17, 9 am–5 pm; free**

Celebrate a new chapter at the Longmont Museum! Join us for a free community celebration featuring the grand reopening of our expanded museum. Be among the first to explore stunning new galleries, create and play in "DreamLab," enjoy special programs and tours, and experience all the new ways to discover art, history, and hands-on fun. The festivities begin with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 9 am. Activities for all ages will take place throughout the day.

FRIDA KAHLO

An Intimate Portrait

**Saturday, Oct. 17–
Sunday, Jan. 31**

Explore our new galleries with this special exhibition, providing a rare and moving insight into the personal life of one of the 20th century's most iconic artists. Through 98 photographs selected from her private albums and handwritten letters and notes, "An Intimate Portrait" allows us to see Frida Kahlo (1907-1954) through the eyes of friends, family (including her father, professional photographer Guillermo Kahlo), and other noted photographers.

Like all family albums, these photographs and correspondence tell a story: they illuminate her turbulent marriage to famed muralist Diego Rivera, commemorate friendships and happy times, and chronicle her lifelong pain. The photographs are also evidence of the way Kahlo crafted and refined her world-famous image.

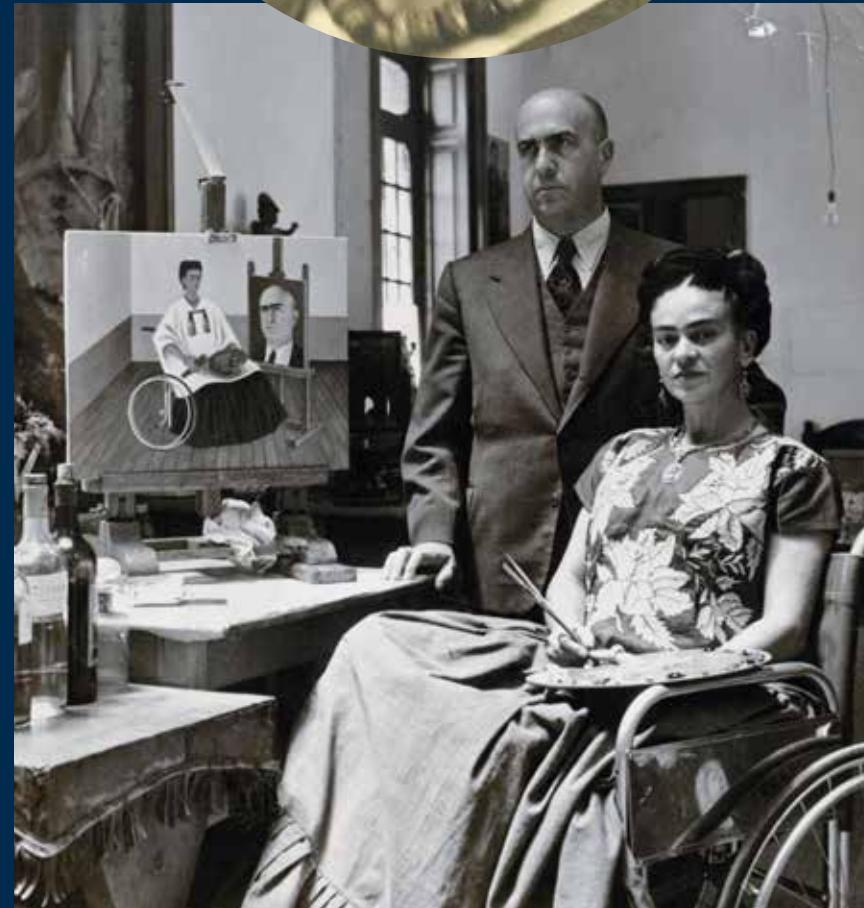


Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera, 1937, photograph by Nickolas Muray

The exhibition is organized by Vicente Wolf Associates from Vicente Wolf's collection.



Frida Kahlo, c. 1930, photograph by Esther Born

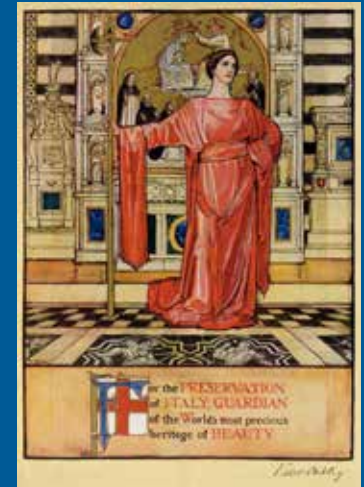


WOMEN ARTISTS: FOUR CENTURIES OF CREATIVITY

**Saturday, Oct. 17–
Sunday, Jan. 24**

Visitors inspired by Frida Kahlo's remarkable story can continue their exploration in "Women Artists: Four Centuries of Creativity," a sweeping exhibition that celebrates four centuries of artistic innovation and achievement. The exhibition features original works on paper—etchings, engravings, lithographs, drawings, watercolor paintings, woodblock prints and photographs—by some of history's most important women artists including Rosa Bonheur, Sonia Delaunay, Käthe Kollwitz, Louise Nevelson, Françoise Gilot and many more.

Seen together, these exhibitions invite visitors to explore the many ways women artists have challenged conventions, expressed their perspectives, and transformed the history of art.



Violet Oakley (American, 1874–1961), *For the Preservation of Italy, Guardian of the World's Most Precious Heritage of Beauty*, 1918, ink on paper, Gift, Captain Roswell C. Williams Jr. Reading Public Museum, Reading, Pennsylvania.



"Women Artists: Four Centuries of Creativity" is organized by the Reading Public Museum, Reading Pennsylvania.



DreamLab

IN LILA'S CHILDREN GALLERY

Opening Saturday, Oct. 17

At first glance, our new permanent children's gallery exhibit, "DreamLab", is an imaginative wonderland—and it certainly is. But look a little closer, and you'll discover something even more meaningful. "DreamLab" has been thoughtfully designed to blend playful exploration with early childhood learning.

From the Lilypad Landing to the Deep Sea Diner, every area of the gallery sparks curiosity and creativity while supporting key developmental skills. Children can build fine and gross motor skills, practice early literacy and numbers, strengthen problem-solving abilities, and more—all through hands-on play.

Explore the Dragon Sky Castle, where a 17-foot dragon soars overhead, or step into the Mushroom Forest to create your own stage performance. Visit the Crystal Cave for a calming sensory experience designed to help visitors feel grounded and relaxed.

With a sense of wonder around every corner, "DreamLab" is a joyful space where children and the adults who accompany them can learn, play and connect through the power of imagination.

Our exhibits team is hard at work building out the new galleries! Here they are in the under construction Deep Sea Diner within "DreamLab." From left to right, Senior Manager of Exhibitions Jackie Hobbins, Exhibit Component Designer and Fabricator Giovanni Gurrola, Exhibit Component Designer and Fabricator Taylor Malone and Exhibit Designer Ally Kotarsky.



Sponsored by: **INSIDE LONGMONT**

DÍA DE MUERTOS: DAY OF THE DEAD

Día de Muertos (Day of the Dead) is a time to celebrate our deceased loved ones. Running at the Longmont Museum since the year 2001, it's the longest-standing Day of the Dead celebration in Colorado and attracts more than 6,000 people annually. Community participation is an essential part of this holiday full of life, reflection, food, family and fun.



DAY OF THE DEAD FAMILY CELEBRATION

Saturday, Oct. 24, 11 am–3 pm; free
Downtown Longmont
at 4th Avenue and Kimbark Street

Celebrate the 26th anniversary of the longest-running public Day of the Dead celebration in Colorado! This year's Family Celebration will return to Downtown Longmont with the outdoor street festival that has become a Longmont tradition. This celebration of culture, heritage, life and love will feature traditional live music and dance, face painting, sugar skull decorating, crafts, food trucks, a kids' play zone, local vendors, a Gigantes Procession and more!



ON THE WEB:

Visit longmontdayofthedeath.com (English) or longmontdiademueertos.com (Español) for information about all things Día de Muertos in Longmont and thematic content highlighting the origins and traditions that make Day of the Dead a meaningful and heartwarming holiday. Follow along to cook with family, create traditional crafts, build your own altar, and more.



NOCHE DE MUSEO: CELEBRATING DAY OF THE DEAD

Friday, Oct. 30, 7 pm
Reserved seating: \$23, \$20 members
Curated by and featuring the music of iZCALLI

Join us in our Stewart Auditorium for an evening of live performance in celebration of Día de Muertos that will span the ages, from ancient Aztec dance with Grupo Azteca Tlahuitzcalli to the genre-bending rock and roll of iZCALLI. This annual community celebration of a centuries-old Mexican tradition has quickly become part of the cultural fabric of Longmont!

Thursday Nights

@ THE MUSEUM

Thursday nights, Sept. 3–Dec. 10

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 and talks

Spend your Thursday evenings at the Longmont Museum this fall for adult **Art & Sip** classes and **film, performances** and **conversations** in our intimate 250-seat Stewart Auditorium. Whether you're looking for a place to unwind after work with a beer or glass of wine, create art, see a movie, catch a great band, or hear extraordinary people talk about issues of importance to Boulder County and beyond, we hope to see you at the Museum on a Thursday night this fall.

Wine, beer, and concessions available for purchase



PERFORMANCE

\$18 general admission, \$15 members

BONNIE & TAYLOR SIMS AND FRIENDS

Thursday, Sept. 3

Featuring Saja Butler, Jessica Carson and Paloma Rose

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



WHEELCHAIR SPORTS CAMP

Thursday, Sept. 17

Fronted by Kalyn Rose Heffernan—a wheelchair-using, profanely queer and tiny rapper—this band combines humor, playful irreverence and an undeniable love for the groove with an absolutely face-shredding live show. "[Their] anthems of emotional chaos are my favorite." - Andrea Gibson

¡VIVA LA VIDA! A TRIBUTE TO FRIDA KAHLO

Thursday, Oct. 22

Join us for a multidisciplinary evening of live performance in celebration of a legendary artist and cultural icon. Do you have a poem, scene, song, dance or performance piece that you'd like to share? Visit the Museum's website for details on how to participate.

MONT ALTO MOTION PICTURE ORCHESTRA: FRITZ LANG'S "DESTINY" (1921)

Thursday, Oct. 29

Mont Alto returns to provide live musical accompaniment for this special Halloween screening. In this towering achievement of German Expressionism, a desperate young woman confronts Death itself to save her fiancé. In three tragic romances set in Persia, Venice and a fantastical ancient China, she is given a chance to alter fate and win back her beloved.

CULTURAL CARAVAN: THE FUTURE OF CHAMBER MUSIC

Thursday, Nov. 19

The Cultural Caravan rolls into town for a concert featuring award-winning violinist Njioma Grevious accompanied by an all-star ensemble of emerging artists. The program will span more than two centuries, showcasing the energy and artistry of a new generation of classical musicians.

FILM

\$12 general admission, \$8 members

BOULDER INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL SHORT FILMS 1

Thursday, Sept. 10

Always a crowd pleaser, join us for an evening dedicated to short films by filmmakers from across the globe as selected for inclusion in the 2026 Boulder International Film Festival.

SUNDANCE FILM FESTIVAL "FRIDA" (2024, R)

Thursday, Oct. 15

Followed by a conversation with the film's director Carla Gutiérrez

A magical journey into the life of an icon, told in her own words through diaries, letters, essays and interviews, and brought to life with lyrical animation inspired by her unforgettable artwork. "Frida" premiered at the 2024 Sundance Film Festival, where it won an award for editing.



"LIKE WATER FOR CHOCOLATE" (1992, R)

Thursday, Nov. 5

Set amidst the rich cultural traditions of revolutionary-era Mexico, the film follows a young woman whose forbidden desires find expression through the transformative power of food.



"!WOMEN ART REVOLUTION" (1979, PG)

Thursday, Dec. 3

Entertaining and revelatory, this "secret history" of the Feminist Art Movement navigates conversations, observations, archival footage and the work of visionary artists, historians, curators and critics. Starting from its roots in 1960s anti-war and civil rights protests, the film details major developments in women's art through the 70s.

BOULDER INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL SHORT FILMS 2

Thursday, Dec. 10

Join us for the second of two evenings dedicated to short films by filmmakers from across the globe as selected for inclusion in the 2026 Boulder International Film Festival.



TALKS

Free; reservations recommended.

VOICES OF CHANGE: "COUNCILWOMAN" (2019, NR) SCREENING & CONVERSATION

Thursday, Sept. 24

Featuring Longmont Mayor Susie Hidalgo-Fahring & Boulder County Commissioner Marta Loachamin

The inspiring true story of Carmen Castillo, an immigrant Dominican in Providence, Rhode Island who wins a seat on City Council. Castillo takes her advocacy for low-income workers from the margins to city politics while balancing her day job as a hotel housekeeper. *Co-presented with the Longmont Multicultural Action Committee.*



NSF NCAR EXPLORER SERIES: BEYOND THE FORECAST

Thursday, Oct. 1

With NCAR Scientist Kelly Werner

Learn about the powerful computer models that help meteorologists simulate the Earth's atmosphere to forecast everything from daily weather to severe storms.

LATINO/A/E/X: IDENTITY, MIGRATION & BELONGING IN BOULDER COUNTY

Thursday, Oct. 8

With Leticia Abajo, Lesly Fajardo-Feaux, Jose Jimenez, Marinela Maneiro Goodwin and Mayor of the City of Lafayette Saul Tapia Vega. Moderated by Dr. Perla Delgado, Executive Director, "I Have A Dream" Foundation of Boulder County.

Join us for a lively conversation exploring culture, politics, history, and the many lived experiences that shape Latino life in our region. *Co-presented with the Longmont Multicultural Action Committee.*

THE BODY POLITIC: WOMEN ARTISTS AFTER FRIDA

Thursday, Nov. 12

With musician Kalyn Heffernan, dancer/choreographer Elle Hong, artist Danielle See Walker and author Suzi Q. Smith

Taking inspiration from Frida Kahlo, a diverse panel of Colorado women artists explore what it means to make art while inhabiting bodies that are often politicized, scrutinized, celebrated or misunderstood.

Purchase tickets or make a free reservation for these events at longmontmuseum.org or by calling 303-651-8374.

Thursday Nights @ THE MUSEUM

ADULT CLASSES ART & SIP

Thursday nights, Sept.3–Dec. 10,
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. Wine, beer, fizzy water and snacks are available to purchase.

NEEDLEFELT AUTUMN TREES

Thursday, Sept. 3
Instructor: Ann Macca
Create a cozy autumn scene in wool! In this beginner-friendly needle felting class, students will learn basic felting techniques while crafting a colorful picture of autumn trees set against a bright blue sky.



WATERCOLOR WATERMELON

Thursday, Sept. 10
Instructor: Leigh Putman
Celebrate color, culture and creativity in this watercolor class inspired by the vibrant fruit paintings of Frida Kahlo. Students will create their own expressive watercolor painting of juicy watermelons while exploring the bold colors, symbolism and artistic spirit often associated with Kahlo's work.



PLAYFUL WATERCOLOR LANDSCAPE

Thursday, Sept. 17
Instructor: Julie Benoit
Explore playful approaches to landscape painting and mark making in this relaxed class. We will use watercolor, gel pens and markers to create an idyllic scene of green rolling hills.



FLORAL FRIDA COLLAGE

Thursday, Sept. 24
Instructor: Ragen Breath
Learn to blend bold florals with expressive portrait elements to celebrate identity, resilience and self-expression. Leave with a striking, Frida-inspired piece that reflects your own story.



CROSS STITCH GHOST

Thursday, Oct. 1
Instructor: Julie Benoit
Learn the basics of cross stitch while creating an adorable tiny ghost! You'll stitch a simple spooky design while learning essential techniques like reading a pattern, making clean stitches, and finishing your piece.

FRENCH BEADING BOUQUET

Thursday, Oct. 8
Instructor: Henry Anderson
Learn the art of French beading while creating a beautiful flower bouquet! This class will teach classic techniques used to craft vibrant, everlasting flowers. Leave with new skills and a handmade floral piece to brighten your home or workspace!



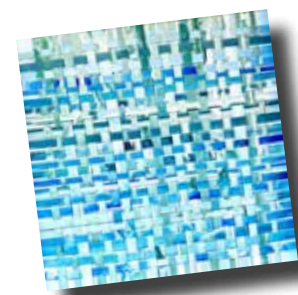
EMBROIDERY FRIDA PORTRAIT

Thursday, Oct. 15
Instructor: Julie Benoit
Celebrate the vibrant spirit of Frida Kahlo while learning the art of hand embroidery. Inspired by Kahlo's iconic self-portraits and bold visual style, participants will stitch their own embroidered Frida portrait using colorful threads, floral motifs and expressive details.



FRIDA FLORAL CROWN

Thursday, Oct. 22
Instructor: Ann Macca
Learn basic floral design techniques while crafting a statement headpiece inspired by Frida's iconic style, perfect for festivals, photos, Day of the Dead, Halloween or everyday artistic flair.



WOVEN WATERCOLORS

Thursday, Oct.29
Instructor: Julie Benoit
Discover a playful fusion of watercolor painting and paper craft in this creative paper weaving class. Begin by exploring watercolor techniques blending colors, creating textures and experimenting with patterns to design your own painted papers. Then, carefully cut and weave them together to form a finished art piece.

PAPER LUMINARY

Thursday, Nov. 5
Instructor: Henry Anderson
Create a glowing paper lantern perfect for the holiday season in this hands-on class. Students will learn how to carefully cut, score and shape paper to craft a beautiful candlelit lantern that adds warmth, charm and atmosphere to any space.



COLORFUL CACTI

Thursday, Nov. 12
Instructor: Julie Benoit
Wind down and explore the vibrant, flowing beauty of alcohol markers in this fun and relaxing color design and technique class. You will learn how to blend and layer ink from alcohol markers creating bold, colorful cacti and succulents.



GEOMETRIC BLOCK PRINT TOTE

Thursday, Nov. 19
Instructor: Julie Benoit
Learn techniques to design and carve your own block stamp and then explore inking and printing on fabric as you create your own one-of-a-kind tote bag with geometric shapes.



WATERCOLOR CITRUS STILL LIFE

Thursday, Dec. 3
Instructor: Leigh Putman
Bring the freshness of winter citrus to your day! Together we'll paint a watercolor still life featuring oranges, lemons and greenery. We will explore techniques such as wet-on-wet blending, layering and adding fine details to bring your fruits and leaves to life.

WINTER SOLSTICE PAPER GARLAND

Thursday, Dec. 10
Instructor: Julie Benoit

Celebrate the magic of the Winter Solstice by creating an enchanting mixed-media paper garland. Students will explore painting, collage and decorative embellishments to craft a festive piece perfect for seasonal decorating, gifting or adding a touch of winter charm to any space.



These classes sell out! Register online at longmontmuseum.org or call 303-651-8374.

ONGOING

Discovery Days Music & Movement (p. 18)

Tuesdays, Sept. 1–Dec. 8
(except Thanksgiving week)
9:15 am, 10:45 am, 1 pm;
45 minutes–1 hour per session

Discovery Days Art (p. 18)

Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays,
Saturdays, Sept. 2–Dec. 12
(except Thanksgiving week)
9:15 am, 10:45 am, 1 pm;
1 hour and 15 minutes per session

Teen Craft & Create (p. 20)

Tuesdays, Sept. 1–Dec. 8
3–5 pm

The Studio Series (p. 21)

Tuesdays, Sept. 8–Nov. 17
9:30–11:30 am

AUGUST

31 MONDAY · 10:45 AM

**Museum in the Park: Discovery Days
Music & Movement** (back cover)

SEPTEMBER

3 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

Art & Sip: Needlefelt Autumn Trees
(p. 10)

3 THURSDAY · 7 PM

**Concert: Bonnie & Taylor Sims and
Friends** (p. 8)



Noche de Museo: Celebrating Day of the Dead, p. 9

10 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

Art & Sip: Watercolor Watermelon
(p. 10)

10 THURSDAY · 7 PM

Film: BIFF Short Films 1 (p. 9)

11 FRIDAY · 6 PM

Special Event: Sunset Soiree (p. 3)

17 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

**Art & Sip: Playful Watercolor
Landscape** (p. 10)

17 THURSDAY · 7 PM

Concert: Wheelchair Sports Camp
(p. 8)

19 SATURDAY · 11 AM

**Special Event: LevelUp Longmont
Esports Tournament & Festival**
(p. 14)

23 WEDNESDAY · 5 PM

**Museum in the Park: Lanyon Park
Historic Walking Tour** (back cover)

24 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

Art & Sip: Floral Frida Collage (p. 10)

24 THURSDAY · 7 PM

**Talk: Voices of Change—
Councilwoman (2019, NR) Screening
& Conversation** (p. 9)

28 MONDAY · 10:45 AM

**Museum in the Park: Discovery Days
Music & Movement** (back cover)

OCTOBER

1 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

Art & Sip: Cross Stitch Ghost (p. 10)

1 THURSDAY · 7 PM

**Talk: NSF NCAR Explorer Series—
Beyond the Forecast** (p. 9)

4 SUNDAY · 2:30 PM

Dance: Potemkin Village (p. 14)



LevelUp Longmont:
Esports Tournament & Festival, p. 14

8 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

Art & Sip: French Beading Bouquet
(p. 10)

8 THURSDAY · 7 PM

**Talk: Latino/A/E/X—Identity,
Migration & Belonging in Boulder
County** (p. 9)

9 FRIDAY · 2:30 PM

**Friday Afternoon Concert:
Mariachi Las Dahlias** (p. 16)

10 SATURDAY · 7 PM

**Walking Tour: Murder, Haunts &
Intrigue—Historic Nighttime** (p. 17)

11 SUNDAY · 2:30 PM

Talk & Film: Banned Together (2025)
(p. 14)

15 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

Art & Sip: Embroidery Frida Portrait
(p. 10)

15 THURSDAY · 7 PM

**Film: Frida (2024, R) with the
Sundance Film Festival** (p. 9)

17 SATURDAY · 9 AM

**Special Event: Grand Reopening
Celebration** (p. 4)

19 MONDAY · 7 PM

**Walking Tour: Murder, Haunts &
Intrigue—Historic Nighttime** (p. 17)

21 WEDNESDAY · 7 PM

**Walking Tour: Murder, Haunts &
Intrigue—Historic Nighttime** (p. 17)

22 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

Art & Sip: Frida Floral Crown (p. 11)

22 THURSDAY 7 PM

**Concert: ¡Viva la Vida! A Tribute to
Frida Kahlo** (p. 8)

23 FRIDAY · 2:30 PM

**Talk: The Legacy of the Callahan
House** (p. 17)

24 SATURDAY · 11 AM

**Special Event: Day of the Dead
Family Celebration** (p. 7)

25 SUNDAY · 2:30 PM

**Talk: Monsters, Myths & Alien
Invasion Scenarios** (p. 14)

27 TUESDAY · 7 PM

**Walking Tour: Murder, Haunts &
Intrigue—Historic Nighttime** (p. 17)

28 WEDNESDAY · 7 PM

**Walking Tour: Murder, Haunts &
Intrigue—Historic Nighttime** (p. 17)

29 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

Art & Sip: Woven Watercolors (p. 11)

29 THURSDAY · 7 PM

**Concert: Mont Alto Motion Picture
Orchestra—Fritz Lang's Destiny
(1921)** (p. 8)

30 FRIDAY · 7 PM

**Special Event: Noche de Museo—
Celebrating Day of the Dead** (p. 7)

NOVEMBER

5 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

Art & Sip: Paper Luminary (p. 11)

5 THURSDAY · 7 PM

**Film: Like Water for Chocolate
(1992, R)** (p. 9)

12 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

Art & Sip: Colorful Cacti (p. 11)

12 THURSDAY · 7 PM

**Talk: The Body Politic—Women
Artists after Frida** (p. 9)

13 FRIDAY · 2:30 PM

Friday Afternoon Concert: LAPOMPE
(p. 16)

15 SUNDAY · 2:30 PM

**Talk & Film: Longmont Home
Movie Day** (p. 15)

19 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

**Art & Sip: Geometric Block Print
Tote** (p. 11)

19 THURSDAY · 7 PM

**Concert: Cultural Caravan—The
Future of Chamber Music** (p. 8)

Author Suzi Q Smith, p. 9



Latino/A/E/X: Identity, Migration &
Belonging in Boulder County, p. 9

DECEMBER

3 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

Art & Sip: Watercolor Citrus Still Life
(p. 11)

3 THURSDAY · 7 PM

**Film: Women Art Revolution
(1979, PG)** (p. 9)

5 SATURDAY · 3 PM & 7 PM

**Special Event: 11th Annual Holiday
Show** (p. 15)

10 THURSDAY · 4 PM & 6:30 PM

**Art & Sip: Winter Solstice Paper
Garland** (p. 11)

10 THURSDAY · 7 PM

Film: BIFF Short Films II (p. 9)

11 FRIDAY · 2:30 PM

**Friday Afternoon Concert:
Boulder Philharmonic Woodwind
Quartet** (p. 16)

LONGMONT MUSEUM PRESENTS

LEVELUP LONGMONT ESPORTS TOURNAMENT & FESTIVAL

Saturday, Sept. 19, 11 am–5 pm; free

Rise to the challenge! Join us for a free, all-day event where all ages are invited to celebrate friendly competition, creativity and community. Enjoy food trucks, vendor booths, video and tabletop games, outdoor activities, a chill-out zone, a racing simulator and prizes. The festival's featured event takes place live in the Museum's Stewart Auditorium: a Street Fighter 6 tournament for pre-registered players ages 13 and up.



LevelUp Longmont is presented by the Library and the Friends of the Longmont Library in partnership with the Longmont Museum, NextLight and Longmont Public Media.

WORK IN PROGRESS DANCE PERFORMANCE POTEMKIN VILLAGE

Sunday, Oct. 4, 2:30 pm; free, reservations recommended

Inspired by the idea of “Potemkin villages”—facades built to hide uncomfortable truths—this piece by Denver-based dancer and choreographer Elle Hong explores identity, perception and transformation through the lens of trans identity and experience. Through movement, reflection and connection, dancers create a shifting world that invites us to consider what is real, what is hidden, and how we find our places within it.

Made possible with the support of the National Performance Network's Creation Fund, Potemkin Village performance will premiere Nov. 5-7, 2026 at Denver's RedLine Contemporary Art Center.



THE LIBRARY @ THE MUSEUM “BANNED TOGETHER” (2025, NR)

Sunday, Oct. 11, 2:30 pm; free, reservations recommended

Join us as we kick off Banned Books Week 2026 with a special screening of “Banned Together.” The film follows three students and their adult allies as they fight to reinstate 97 books suddenly pulled from their school libraries. As they evolve from local to national activists—meeting with bestselling authors, politicians, Constitutional experts and more—the film reveals the dark forces behind the accelerating wave of book bans in the U.S. According to data provided by the American Library Association, 4,235 books were challenged in 2025 (the second highest number ever documented) with 40% of those representing the lived experiences of LGBTQIA+ people and people of color.

THE LIBRARY @ THE MUSEUM MONSTERS, MYTHS & ALIEN INVASION SCENARIOS

Sunday, Oct. 25, 2:30 pm; free, reservations recommended

Astrobiologist and space philosopher Dr. Graham Lau explores how myths, monsters and science fiction have shaped our fears of alien life. Are extraterrestrials really something to fear, or could a meeting with alien life expand our understanding of ourselves and the cosmos?



CU BOULDER LIBRARIANS & ARCHIVISTS LONGMONT HOME MOVIE DAY: WORKSHOP & SCREENING

Sunday, Nov. 15, 2:30 pm; free, reservations recommended

Do you have old home movies rotting away in your closet, attic or basement? Not sure what to do with those ancient VHS or Beta tapes, Super 8 films, or even 16mm? You're in luck!

1 pm PRESERVATION WORKSHOP

Learn how to identify, store and digitize home movies, photographs, slides, audio recordings and digital media. Expert librarians and archivists from CU Boulder will share practical guidance for caring for your personal archives and ensuring they can be enjoyed for generations to come.

2:30 pm LONGMONT HOME MOVIES SCREENING

Experience a unique screening featuring home movies contributed by Longmont-area residents alongside archival footage documenting Colorado history from the collections of the University Libraries and the Longmont Museum.

The University Libraries will provide free digitization for the first 30 families to submit a video tape, home movie film or audio recording to the Longmont Museum front desk by Friday, Oct. 16. Limit one item per family. Your home film or video may be included in our Home Movie Day screening!



Longmont All Star Jazz Band



THE 11TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY SHOW

Featuring the Longmont All Star Jazz Band, Sphere Ensemble & Paloma Rose

Saturday, Dec. 5, 3 pm & 7 pm

Reserved Seating: \$35, \$30 Members

The Longmont Museum's holiday tradition returns for its 11th year! Join us for classic songs of the season from some of the finest musicians in the region, including friends old and new. Cash bar with signature holiday drink.



Paloma Rose



Sphere Ensemble

FRIDAY AFTERNOON CONCERT SERIES

\$12 general admission, \$8 members

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

MARIACHI LAS DAHLIAS

Friday, Oct. 9, 2:30 pm

Colorado's premier all-female mariachi ensemble, Las Dahlias, is dedicated to celebrating Mexican and Latinx heritage. Blending rich tradition with vibrant energy, they bring the spirit of mariachi to life while championing female representation in the arts.

LAPOMPE

Friday, Nov. 13, 2:30 pm

For nearly a decade, LAPOMPE has been entertaining and delighting audiences with their eclectic combination of gypsy swing, blues and soulful originals. Drawing from the music of Django Reinhardt and the "hot club" style of early 20th century jazz, their music is a fresh collection of classics and original compositions. They call it "mountain swing"—the kind of music that fits as well in a log cabin as it does in a speakeasy or on the big stage.



BOULDER PHILHARMONIC: WINTER WIND'ERLAND

Friday, Dec. 11, 2:30 pm

Celebrate the season with the rich, colorful sound of one of the orchestra world's most distinctive ensembles. Featuring flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon and horn, Boulder Phil's Woodwind Quintet fills the hall with festive favorites, playful charm and the warmth of live music shared together.



HISTORIC LONGMONT

Explore historic Longmont with walking tours and talks with Longmont Museum Curator of History Elizabeth Beaudoin.

MURDER, HAUNTS & INTRIGUE: NIGHTTIME HISTORIC WALKING TOUR

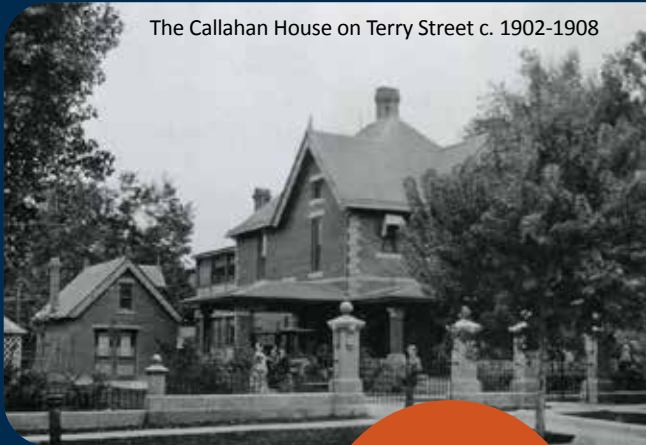
Saturday, Oct. 10, 7 pm; \$20
Monday, Oct 19, 7 pm; \$20
Wednesday, Oct. 21, 7 pm; \$20
Tuesday, Oct. 27, 7 pm; \$20
Wednesday, Oct. 28, 7 pm; \$20

Join Longmont Museum Curator of History Elizabeth Beaudoin and Paranormal Investigator Catlyn Keenan for a special Halloween nighttime walking tour of downtown Longmont where we will explore the intriguing and spooky events in Longmont's past.

TALK WITH THE CURATOR: THE LEGACY OF THE CALLAHAN HOUSE

Friday, Oct. 23, 2:30 pm, Classroom C;
free, reservations recommended

Learn about one of Longmont's most iconic historic homes and valued community gathering places. Members of the Callahan House Advisory Board will join Longmont Museum Curator of History Elizabeth Beaudoin to present a newly produced film about the Callahan House and discuss its beautiful architecture and gardens, the legacy of the Callahan family, their connection to J.C. Penney, and the ways the home continues to serve the community today.



The Callahan House on Terry Street c. 1902-1908

**Don't miss the
free Lanyon Park
Historic Walking
Tour! Details on
the back cover**

**These Historic programs sell
out! Register early.**



Follow along on the Museum's Facebook or Instagram pages every Thursday for the rest of the year as we celebrate the triple anniversary of Longmont turning 155, Colorado turning 150, and America turning 250. We are sharing stories and photos on specific monthly themes tied to the history of the city we call home. Learn more about the historic anniversaries at longmontcolorado.gov/CO150.

LONGMONT MUSEUM DISCOVERY DAYS

Ages 2-6 with an adult
\$2.50 per person members,
\$2.75 per person non-members
(Fees are collected for all people ages 2 and up)

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 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.



FALL THEMES:

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| Sept. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 | Ocean Animals |
| Sept. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 | Celebrate Colorado |
| Sept. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 | Forest Animals |
| Sept. 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 | Trains & Railroads |
| Sept. 29, 30, Oct. 1, 2, 3 | Robots |
| Oct. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 | Rainbows |
| Oct. 13, 14, 15, 16 | Unicorns & Dragons |
| Oct. 17 | Museum Gallery
Re-Opening Day! |
| Oct. 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 | Puppets |
| Oct. 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 | Halloween |
| Nov. 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 | Airplanes & Things That Fly |
| Nov. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 | Construction |
| Nov. 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 | Fall Harvest |
| Nov. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 | No Discovery Days:
Thanksgiving Break |
| Dec. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 | Outer Space |
| Dec. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 | Ornaments & Decorations |

DISCOVERY DAYS BIRTHDAY PARTIES

Saturday afternoons; 3 - 4:45 pm; \$275
Designed for children ages 2-6 and their adult caregivers

Your party will begin at 3 pm with a private one-hour crafting session featuring the Discovery Days theme of the week. At 4 pm, your party will move to the room down the hall to enjoy snacks and present time. Reserve your party at longmontmuseum.org; availability is very limited!

"DreamLab" children's gallery is not available as an add-on at this time for parties. We welcome you to share your thoughts about gallery-based birthday parties with us to help define future opportunities.



DISCOVERY DAYS MUSIC & MOVEMENT

with Ms. Ragen
Tuesdays; Classroom C
Sept. 1-Dec. 8
9:15 am, 10:45 am, 1 pm; 45 min-1 hour per session



DISCOVERY DAYS ART

with Ms. Leigh & Henry
Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays;
Classroom AB
Sept. 2-Dec. 12
9:15 am, 10:45 am, 1 pm; 1 hour 15 minutes per session



DISCOVERY DAYS BIG KID DAYS

For children up to age 11 on late start or no school days in the SVVSD. Regular fees apply.
Late Start: First Wednesdays, Sept. 2, Nov. 4 and Dec. 2, 9:15 am and 10:45 am sessions
No School: Friday, Oct. 16, all sessions

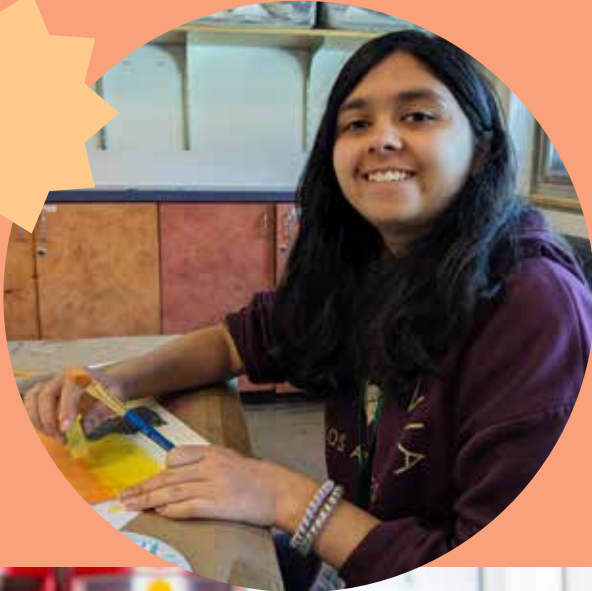
SPECIAL ORNAMENTS & KEEPSAKES BIG-KIDS DAY:

Dec. 12 (Saturday) all sessions! Make holiday treasures that will bring cheer for years to come; crafts suitable for all ages.

TEEN CRAFT & CREATE CLUB

Tuesdays, Sept. 1–Dec. 8, 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 Tuesday for craft activities, 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.



THE STUDIO SERIES

Tuesdays, 9:30–11:30 am, \$130 per 3-class series
Instructor: Julie Benoit

Build on what you have learned each week in The Studio Series! Each three-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

MIXED MEDIA COLLAGE

Sept. 8, 15 & 22
Instructor: Julie Benoit

Create a collection of collages connected through theme, color and composition. Explore collage techniques while developing a series of small-scale works using paper and other scraps that reflect your personal style. Perfect for beginners and experienced artists alike who want to experiment with working in multiples.



SERIES 2

VISIBLE MENDING

Oct. 6, 13, 20
Instructor: Julie Benoit

Learn creative visible mending techniques as you explore patching, sashiko-inspired stitching, decorative embroidery and more and transform worn textiles into beautiful, functional pieces. Perfect for beginners or anyone looking to build confidence and inspiration for mending at home.



SERIES 3

HOLIDAY GIFT MAKING

Nov. 3, 10, 17
Instructor: Julie Benoit

Holiday Gift Making returns by popular demand! In this festive series, students will create handmade gifts and décor, including carved stamps for creating gift wrap and cards, felted soap, hand-painted ornaments and more. A joyful, creative way to craft unique holiday gifts for friends and family.

LEAVE YOUR MARK ON LONGMONT’S HISTORY

Imagine shaping the future of Longmont’s cultural legacy with a single decision. A planned gift to the Longmont Museum isn’t just a gesture of generosity—it’s an investment in the stories, creativity and shared history that define our community.

We were recently touched by a generous gift from the local nonprofit Grey Havens Philosophy. As the organization prepared to close following the retirement and passing of its founder, Kelly Cowling, the board chose to honor her legacy by supporting the Longmont Museum. For years, Grey Havens Philosophy partnered with the Museum to



inspire curiosity, critical thinking and meaningful conversation among young people. Their gift helps carry forward Kelly’s passion for learning, connection and lifelong exploration.

Just like the Grey Havens Philosophy board, you have the power to make a lasting impact. A planned gift—whether through a bequest, beneficiary designation, trust or another way to give—ensures that your values live on through a vibrant and accessible Longmont Museum. We would be honored to help you explore the options that align with your goals and legacy.

If you have any questions or would like to let us know the Longmont Museum is already in your estate plans, please reach out to Fund Development Manager Meaghan Peters at meaghan.peters@longmontcolorado.gov or 303-774-4508. We are so grateful for your generosity.



Grey Havens founder Kelly Cowling at a Museum summer camp in 2016

BECOME A MUSEUM MEMBER

Become a member and enjoy exhibitions for free!

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 and above: Giving Club

Buy or renew your membership now
before prices increase in January!

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
- Admission to Members-Only events

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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Starting Oct. 17, the Museum will resume regular hours as we reopen the galleries! Until then, the Museum is open during programs.

REGULAR HOURS

Monday-Saturday, 9 am–5 pm
Sunday, 1–5 pm
Additional hours most
Thursday evenings, 5–9 pm

ADMISSION

\$12 adults, \$8 youth,
children under age 2 free,
Museum members free
Only \$1 with a qualifying EBT or SNAP card
Second Saturday of each month is free day!

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.





400 Quail Road
Longmont, CO 80501



THE MUSEUM IN THE PARK

Join us in Longmont's Lanyon Park (1900 Collyer St.)
for these special fall outreach programs.



DISCOVERY DAYS MUSIC & MOVEMENT

**Mondays, Aug. 31 and Sept. 28,
10:45 am**

Ages 2-6 with an adult; free

Drop in for these special free outdoor Discovery Days Music & Movement sessions with Miss Ragen! We will meet near the shelter next to the playground to make music, move our bodies and enjoy the fresh air in Lanyon Park.

LANYON PARK HISTORIC WALKING TOUR

**Wednesday, Sept. 23, 5 pm;
free, no registration needed**

Learn about Longmont's early years, the Oligarchy Ditch, mid-century modern architecture, and the city's expansion post-WWII in this free walking tour with Curator of History Elizabeth Beaudoin.