

Behind the Cover

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A Day in the Life of a Victorian Woman

Step back in time **Tuesday, March 3, 7 p.m.** to the turn of the 20th century for an intimate glimpse of women's lives. The Molly Brown House will be detailing all aspects of women's lives—from marriage to the home and garments of the day like the ever-popular corset.



Tech it Out! Technology Fair

Demo Spheros, Ozobots, Bloxels and more at the library's Tech It Out Technology Fair **Saturday, March 7, 12:30-4 p.m.** The library will showcase its coolest technologies on the lower level in the Art Gallery. Try your hand at creating a pixel video game, drive robots around the library and visit booths from local businesses such as Silicon STEM. The Technology Fair is open to all ages. Children under age 8 must attend with an adult.



SPARK! Arts Cultural Programming for People with Memory Loss

SPARK! Arts is a free program offered by the Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art (BMoCA) for people experiencing mild memory loss, early stage Alzheimer's or a related dementia, and their family, friends, and guests. Artist Don Coen grew up on a farm in Eastern Colorado. His large portraits of migrant farm workers are painted with striking color and scale. Join us for this session on **Wednesday, March 11, 2-3:30 p.m.** as we view Coen's gallery of portraits, discuss ideas of the portrait and finally create our own portraits using a wide variety of art materials. *Registration is required for participant and caregiver. Call the library at 303-795-3961 to register.*



Artist Don Coen with one of his Migrant Series portraits.

Jeannette Rankin: America's Conscience



This first-person program on **Friday, March 13, 2 p.m.** will take the audience back to 1920 when the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote had just been added to the Constitution. Jeannette Rankin, portrayed by Mary Jane Bradbury, will share her journey from grass roots suffragist to becoming the first woman elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. Scholar and historic interpreter Bradbury draws on over 25 years as an educator, actress and author to bring history to life. She is a Chautauqua speaker for Humanities Montana and the Colorado Humanities.

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Music Concert: Close N' Counter

Enjoy the easy listening melodies of this local guitar duo consisting of Gordon Close and Richard Blanchard **Saturday, March 14, 2 p.m.**

Women of Denver History with Active Minds

The city of Denver was shaped by the efforts of many great people. Join Active Minds **Monday, March 16, 2 p.m.** as we focus on the women of Denver and their contributions to the city and the state. We will cover some familiar names as well as some lesser known figures as we trace the impact of these women and their place in history.

Crafts at the Library: Here Comes the Sun

Join us for a different featured craft the third Saturday of each month. Get ready for spring **Saturday, March 21, 2-4 p.m.** by making suncatchers and light throwers to brighten your day. The library will provide supplies. These programs are for adults only. *Registration is required. Call the library at 303-795-3961 to register.*



Movie Matinee: *Harriet*

See the extraordinary tale of Harriet Tubman's escape from slavery and transformation into one of America's greatest heroes on **Saturday, March 28, 2–4 p.m.** Tubman's courage, ingenuity and tenacity freed hundreds of slaves and changed the course of history. Enjoy popcorn and lemonade at the movie. PG-13.



Colorado's Natural Resources: A Partnership with Red Rocks Community College

Join us **Tuesday, March 31, 6–7:30 p.m.** as we partner with students from Red Rocks Community College Park Ranger Interpretation program. Aspiring Park Rangers will present programs on a variety of environmental and natural resource topics. This evening's topics include: Forest Bathing and People of the Platte River Valley.



New! Littleton Museum E-Newsletter



The Littleton Museum has launched a new e-newsletter. To see the first issue click this link: [Littleton Museum E-Newsletter](#). Sign up by clicking on the blue "Join Our Email List" button. Each quarter the museum will send you their newsletter so you can keep informed about upcoming museum exhibits and events. The e-newsletter will include fun facts about Littleton history and ways you can help support the museum as a volunteer. If you have questions, call the museum at 303-795-3950.

Book Groups at Bemis

We have a variety of Book Groups that meet throughout the month. Choose a group that suits your interests and join us for some stimulating discussions.

◆ Senior Book Club

First Monday of each month at 2 p.m.

Mar. 2: *Evening Class*
by Maeve Binchy

A group of working-class Dubliners decide to improve themselves by taking an evening class in Italian at the local school. Each has a particular reason for this farfetched idea—and most of them have to do with love.



◆ Wednesday Evening Book Group

Third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Mar. 18: *The Readers of Broken Wheel Recommend*
by Katarina Bivald

28-year-old Sara from Sweden and 65-year-old Amy from Broken Wheel, Iowa have exchanged books, letters and thoughts on literature and life for years when Sara decides to accept her unknown friend's invitation to visit. When she arrives, however, she finds that Amy's funeral has just ended. Luckily, the townspeople are happy to look after their bewildered tourist—even if they don't understand her peculiar need for books. Marooned in a farm town that's almost beyond repair, Sara starts a bookstore in honor of her friend's memory.

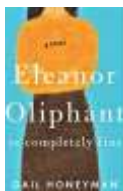


◆ Books at Buck

Fourth Thursday of each month at 1 p.m.
at the Douglas H. Buck Recreation Ctr.,
2004 W. Powers Ave, Littleton, CO

Mar. 26: *Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine*
by Gail Honeyman

Eleanor Oliphant struggles with appropriate social skills and tends to say exactly what she's thinking. She leads a carefully timetabled life of avoiding social interactions. But everything changes when she meets Raymond, the bumbling and deeply unhygienic IT guy from her office. When they save Sammy, an elderly gentleman who has fallen on the sidewalk, the three become friends who rescue one another from the lives of isolation they each have been living.



◆ Books & Beer Discussion Group

Fourth Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at
Jackass Hill Brewery, 2409 W. Main St.,
Littleton, CO 80120

Mar. 26: *Lives in Ruins: Archaeologists & the Seductive Lure of Human Rubble*
by Marilyn Johnson

Who chooses to work in ruins? What's the allure of sifting through layers of dirt under a hot sun? Why do archaeologists care so passionately about what's dead and buried and why should we?



Technology Classes

Bemis offers *free* computer and Internet classes. To learn about or register for an upcoming class and/or group use of our computer lab, call the library at 303-795-3961.



Classes and open computer lab are held from 9:30–11 a.m. unless otherwise noted.

◆ Mon., Mar. 2: iPhone Tips & Tricks*

Want to get the most out of your Apple device? If you already have the basics figured out, find out how to customize certain settings and make your iPhone work for you. We'll cover Spotlight Search, Siri, using the Control Center and more. *Registration required.*

Prerequisites: iPhone Basics class (or equivalent knowledge of Apple devices) and iPhone with at least iOS 12 installed (contact Bemis if you have questions about what iOS software you have).

◆ One-on-One Tech Help*

30-minute sessions by appointment only

Mar. 4, 11 & 25: 9:30–11 a.m. & 1–3 p.m.*

Mar. 16 & 18: 9:30–11 a.m. *only**

Sign up for a 30-minute individualized tech appointment with a librarian to get assistance with anything from Smartphones and Tablets to signing up for an email address.

Registration required.

◆ Mon., Mar. 9: Storing Photos with Google*

Never misplace a photo file again when you learn how to use Google Photos. We cover how to upload files from a computer, how to organize files in albums and how to download photos. *Registration required.*

Prerequisites: Computer basics (familiarity with keyboard and mouse), and a Gmail account. Call the library if you need assistance setting up a Gmail account.

◆ *Wed., Mar. 18: Cell Phone Photography, 6–7:30 p.m.

Learn how to capture moments and memories with just your smartphone. We'll cover tips and tricks for capturing the best image you can, as well as several free photo editing apps to use after you've taken your picture.

Registration required.

Prerequisites: Smartphone.

◆ Mon., Mar. 23: Facebook for Smartphones*

Facebook is a great way to stay in touch with friends and family. We'll go over how to use the Facebook app on your smartphone or tablet including how to react and comment on your friend's posts and how to create your own. *Registration required.*

Prerequisites: Smartphone and a Facebook account (bring your Facebook password to class).

◆ Mon., Mar. 30: Writing a Resume with Word*

Learn how to use Microsoft Word's formatting tools to create a resume. We will go over special formatting, such as horizontal line breaks, inserting symbols and changing the margins. We also will learn how to save documents as a PDF. *Registration required.*

Prerequisites: Computer basics (familiarity with keyboard and mouse) and Microsoft Word basics (has used the program before).

◆ Open Computer Lab: 9:30–11 a.m.

Every Thursday morning. No registration required.

* *These programs require a reservation. Please call 303-795-3961.*

The TEEN Deck

For more information, call the library at 303-795-3961 and ask for the Teen Deck or send an email to libem@littletongov.org.

◆ **Board Games @ Bemis!**



2nd Thursday of every month, 5:30–8:30 p.m.

Mar. 12: Enjoy food, family, friends and fun with our big collection of board games or bring your own to play. Families, adults and kids of all ages are

welcome to drop in to play for a while, or stay for the whole evening. Pizza and snacks will be served. *No registration required. Open to all ages.*

◆ **Teen Advisory Group (TAG)**

4th Thursday of every month, 5–7 p.m.

Mar. 26: Enjoy snacks and video games. Give us your feedback and suggestions to help make the library a better place. Active TAG members are invited to an exclusive Laser Tag event in the fall. *No registration required.*

Fan Club: Anime & Manga

Join us in a celebration of our favorite comics and animated shows from Japan on **Thursday, March 5, 5–7 p.m.** Snacks will include Pocky and other sweet and spicy treats! Pizza will be served. *Space is limited and registration is required. To register, call the library at 303-795-3961.*



Pro Photography Workshop

Learn how to take an awesome photo from a professional photographer on **Thursday, March 19, 5–6:30 p.m.** Talk about composition and technique with Alex Embry of Rising Smoke Photography and practice with a professional lighting and backdrop setup. *Space is limited and registration is required. To register, call the library at 303-795-3961.*



Children's Programs



McTeggart Irish Dancers

See members of the McTeggart Irish Dance Academy in colorful costumes perform a variety of foot-tapping, high-energy routines accompanied by rousing traditional Irish music on **Sunday, March 15, 3–3:45 p.m.** A great way for families with kids of all ages to “kick” off St. Patrick’s Day celebrations!



Animal Olympics – A Visit from the Downtown Aquarium

Meet a variety of non-fish animal ambassadors from the Downtown Aquarium on **Tuesday, March 24, 2–2:45 p.m.** Learn about their unique adaptations in this fun and educational animal show. For families with children ages 3 years and older.



Movie Matinee – Playmobil: The Movie



In this animated action adventure on **Thursday, March 26, 3–4:30 p.m.**, a top-secret organization has caused citizens from different lands to vanish into thin air. Against unthinkable odds, an unlikely trio go on a fantastic journey across stunning new worlds as they gather clues for their rescue mission. Snacks will be provided. Children under the age of 8 must attend with an adult. Rated PG. Length: 99 minutes. *Reservations required. Call 303-795-3961 and ask for the Children’s Room beginning March 12 to sign up.*

Gem Finding for Kids

Join Captain Vic, the Science Wizard, on **Friday, March 27, 11 a.m.–noon** to learn how gems and minerals are formed over millions of years and discover where many of these specimens can be found in Colorado. After a basic introduction to geology, you’ll be transformed into an official “Rockhound” to get some hands-on practice at “mining” gems and minerals to take home for your own personal rock collection. For children ages 4 and older. *Reservations required. Call 303-795-3961 and ask for the Children’s Room beginning March 12 to sign up.*



Dads and Donuts

Calling all Dads, grandpas and uncles! Bring your little ones in for a fun story time with donuts, juice and coffee treats on **Saturday, March 28, 10–10:30 a.m.** For ages 2–6 with caregivers.



Ongoing Programs

No regular story times the week of March 23.

- ◆ **All Together Now Story Time: All Ages.**
Monday at 9:30 or 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.
Thirty minutes of stories, songs and activities. For kids of all ages, but children under age 3 *must* attend with an adult.
- ◆ **Story Box: Ages infant-36 months.**
Tuesday at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 9:30 a.m.
Thirty minutes of stories and songs for children and a caring adult to introduce the joys of rhythm, rhyme and reading.
- ◆ **Preschool Story Time: Ages 3 and older.**
Thursday & Friday at 10:30 a.m.
Thirty minutes of stories, songs and activities with a *puppet show* on March 5 and 6.
- ◆ **Paws to Read: For Kids in Grades K–5.**
Saturday, March 14, 10 a.m.–noon*
Kids are able to practice reading to a furry friend. Call 303-795-3961 to register for a 20-minute spot. Presented by Denver Pet Partners and The Delta Society.

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Senior Social Club with AWRC

Socialize with your friends and neighbors over coffee and pastries at the library! The Aging Well



Resource Center (AWRC) invites local seniors to our Senior Social Club **Fridays in March, 9:30–11:30 a.m.** Come to knit, try out jigsaw puzzles, engage in lively conversation or just make new connections.

Upcoming Events

Enjoy these events coming to the library next month:

- ♦ **Senior Resource Fair**
Friday, April 3, 9 a.m.–noon
 - ♦ **Retirement Planning Workshops*:
Building Retirement Savings***
Saturday, April 4, 9:30–11 a.m.
How to Access Retirement Savings*
Saturday, April 11, 9:30–11 a.m.
 - ♦ **Keto Diet 101**
Tuesday, April 7, 7 p.m.
 - ♦ **SPARK! Arts***
Wednesday April 8, 2–3:30 p.m.
 - ♦ **Music Concert: Dad Burn It**
Saturday, April 11, 2 p.m.
 - ♦ **Colorado's Natural Resources: A Partnership with Red Rocks Community College**
Tuesdays, April 14 & 28, 6–7:30 p.m.
 - ♦ **Crafts at the Library: Great Green Crafts***
Saturday, April 18, 2–4 p.m.
 - ♦ **Mount Everest with Active Minds**
Monday, April 20, 2 p.m.
 - ♦ **Spaceship Earth**
Tuesday, April 21, 7 p.m.
 - ♦ **Reel Life: Documentary Film Club*
Anthropocene–The Human Epoch**
Friday, April 24, 6–8 p.m.
 - ♦ **Movie Matinee: 1917**
Saturday, April 25, 2–4 p.m. (Rated R)
- *These programs require a reservation. Please call 303-795-3961.*

Schedule of Library Events

- Mar. Art Exhibits** Mountainside Art Guild Art Show, March 1–30
- Sunday, Mar. 1** A Magical Read Across America Presentation by Inspector Magic, For families with kids of all ages, 3–3:45 p.m.
- Monday, Mar. 2** All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
*iPhone Tips & Tricks, 9:30–11 a.m.
Senior Book Club, 2 p.m.
- Tuesday, Mar. 3** Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
A Day in the Life of a Victorian Woman, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, Mar. 4** *One-on-One Tech Help, By Appointment: 9:30–11 a.m. & 1–3 p.m.
Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
All Together Now Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
International Conversation Circle, Noon–1:30 p.m. on the lower level
- Thursday, Mar. 5** Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.
Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
*Teen Fan Club: Anime & Manga, 5–7 p.m.
- Friday, Mar. 6** Senior Social Club with AWRC, 9:30–11:30 a.m.
Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
- Saturday, Mar. 7** Tech it Out! Technology Fair 12:30–4 p.m.
- Monday, Mar. 9** All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
*Storing Photos with Google, 9:30–11 a.m.
- Tuesday, Mar. 10** Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, Mar. 11** *One-on-One Tech Help, By Appointment: 9:30–11 a.m. & 1–3 p.m.
Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
All Together Now Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
International Conversation Circle, Noon–1:30 p.m. on the lower level
*SPARK! Arts, 2–3:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Mar. 12** Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.
Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
Board Games @ Bemis! 5:30–8:30 p.m.
- Friday, Mar. 13** Senior Social Club with AWRC, 9:30–11:30 a.m.
Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
Jeannette Rankin: America's Conscience, 2 p.m.
- Saturday, Mar. 14** *Paws to Read, For grades K–5, 10 a.m.–noon
Music Concert: Close N' Counter, 2 p.m.
- Sunday, Mar. 15** McTeggart Irish Dancers, For families with kids of all ages, 3–3:45 p.m.
- Monday, Mar. 16** All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
*One-on-One Tech Help, By Appointment: 9:30–11 a.m. only
AWRC Grab, Gab & Go, 1:30–2 p.m.
Women of Denver History with Active Minds, 2 p.m.
- Tuesday, Mar. 17** Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, Mar. 18** *One-on-One Tech Help, By Appointment: 9:30–11 a.m. only
Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
All Together Now Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
International Conversation Circle, Noon–1:30 p.m. on the lower level
*Cell Phone Photography, 6–7:30 p.m.
Wed. Evening Book Group, 7 p.m.
- Thursday, Mar. 19** Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.
Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
*Teen Pro Photography Workshop, 5–6:30 p.m.
- Friday, Mar. 20** Senior Social Club with AWRC, 9:30–11:30 a.m.
Story Box, 9:30 a.m.
Preschool Story Time, 10:30 a.m.
- Saturday, Mar. 21** *Crafts at the Library: Here Comes the Sun, 2–4 p.m.
- Monday, Mar. 23** *Facebook for Smartphones, 9:30–11 a.m.
- Tuesday, Mar. 24** Animal Olympics—A Visit from the Downtown Aquarium, For families with kids ages 3 and up, 2–2:45 p.m.
- Wednesday, Mar. 25** *One-on-One Tech Help, By Appointment: 9:30–11 a.m. & 1–3 p.m.
International Conversation Circle, Noon–1:30 p.m. on the lower level
- Thursday, Mar. 26** Open Computer Lab, 9:30–11 a.m.
Books at Buck Book Group, 1 p.m.
*Movie Matinee: *Playmobil: The Movie*, PG, Kids under age 8 must attend with an adult, 3–4:30 p.m.
Teen Advisory Group, 5–7 p.m.
Books & Beer Book Group, 6 p.m.
- Friday, Mar. 27** Senior Social Club with AWRC, 9:30–11:30 a.m.
*Gem Finding for Kids, For kids ages 4 and up, 11 a.m.–noon
- Saturday, Mar. 28** Dads & Donuts, For kids ages 2–6 with caregivers, 10–10:30 a.m.
Movie Matinee: *Harriet*, PG-13, 2–4 p.m.
- Monday, Mar. 30** All Together Now Story Time, 9:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
*Writing a Resume with Word, 9:30–11 a.m.
- Tuesday, Mar. 31** Story Box, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
Colorado's Natural Resources: A Partnership with Red Rocks Community College, 6–7:30 p.m.
- *These programs require a reservation. Please call 303-795-3961.*