



March 5, 2024

Broomfield Arts and History Updates

A division of the Library, Arts, History and CSU Extension Department

Manager's Update

March is upon us, and so is the kickoff to spring programming. The Arts and History Division has spent February catching up on planning timelines, as well as continued operational and administrative tasks to complete as we head deeper into 2024. Major conversations are taking place behind the scenes to both finalize preparations for 2024 programming, as well as looking ahead to 2025. March and April bring with them the City and County's budget season, prompting projections and forecasting for all departments.

In the midst of planning, the team is still finalizing a critical update of the Auditorium rental program procedures and guidelines, as well as moving forward on the Auditorium equipment renovation project. This month, both the new rental program is slated to roll out and the consultants for the renovation will be working closely with staff, meaning that the Auditorium is central to the minds of the team.

This year's residency is also upon us, with final preparations in process to welcome artists from France to Broomfield to present "Right in the Eye", a unique cinematic and musical experience that will charm and enchant. The artists will offer workshops to students, families and seniors during their visit before the performances on Saturday, March 9 and Sunday, March 10!



One final update is that invitations went out to SCFD GOS organizations this week to invite them to participate in the second annual Educator's Summit event, scheduled for June 5, 2024. Last year's Educator's Summit provided resources and information on educational programs from the Arts and History team and museums, and this year is expanding to include resources from the Library, Arts, History and CSU Extension Department. The invitation to SCFD GOS organizations will provide them with an opportunity for quick pitches on their educational programs to teachers, and time to network, connect and brainstorm ideas on how to work together both with educators and each other. This approach came from thoughtful questions from the Arts, History and Cultural Council on how to support organizations beyond just SCFD funding and for the Arts and History team to increase connection across school sites and cultural organizations.

March is the month for implementing work that was planned in the previous year, while also beginning preparations for next year. We'll see you at "Right in the Eye", and in the meantime - enjoy the unseasonably warm weather!

Megan Gilby, Arts & History Manager

Behind the Scenes

Arts and History Image Mark: With the support of the City and County of Broomfield Communications Department, the Arts and History division has changed their image mark design from the Creative Broomfield design to our new Arts and History design. This change was made to better reflect the entire division and is consistent with the Library, Arts, History and CSU Extension department name.

Old Creative Broomfield Image Mark	New Broomfield Arts and History Image Mark
	

Auditorium Exterior Fencing: The Broomfield Library, Arts, History and CSU Extension department has installed temporary fencing around the southern perimeter of the Auditorium building. This measure has been taken to provide our facilities staff with the necessary space to conduct a thorough cleaning of the building's exterior and implement additional safety and security measures, including signage and equipment. For safety purposes, moving forward the loading dock will not be accessible to the public. Only staff, performers, and renting organizations and their staff will have access to that space. The pavilion will be open again to the public later this spring. We apologize for the inconvenience! For any questions please contact Kathryn Lynip, Library, Arts, History and CSU Extension director.

Piloting Production Partnership for Summer Concert Series: The Arts and History team is actively exploring ways to increase staff productivity within the current budget. For 2024, a partnership with Swallow Hill Music is exploring how local organizations can support the concert series through artistic production support - mainly leveraging their networks and expertise to present artists that meet the goals and objectives of the program.

Arts and History Division Restructure and Open Positions: While the team continues to work with the Human Resources department on completing the restructure of the division, two positions are ready for recruitment: the History and Museums Curator and Auditorium Technicians. The Curator position became vacant in late 2023, and the position has been updated and aligned within the new team structure and thorough HR review of updated job descriptions. The Auditorium Technician position will recruit from internal and external applicants looking for more consistent working hours and an updating scheduling philosophy as part of the Auditorium Rental Program update.

Programs and Event Updates

Upcoming Programs:

[Educators Summit registration open](#)

Educators are invited to attend the 2024 Broomfield Educator Summit at inventHQ (6 Garden Center)! Teachers grades K - 12 (with preference to Broomfield teachers) are welcome to attend this special

session from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. on June 5. Participants will receive a \$250 stipend, plus a catered lunch, as well as materials and resources to use in their classrooms. Content will be focused on STEAM, humanities, and providing feedback on student needs. Hands-on STEAM activities will be incorporated as part of the day. Local non-profit cultural organizations will also attend and share resources. Please refer questions to depotmuseum@broomfield.org.

*Due to limited space, please do not register more than 3 participants from one school. We hope to have participants from numerous schools and grade levels in Broomfield. Filling out this form does not guarantee participation. Registration starts March 6, 2024 and ends on May 1, 2024. Expect confirmation of attendance by May 7, 2024.

[Creative Images in Early Cinema Interactive Workshop for Families with Alcoléa & Cie](#)

Eisenhower Room at the Broomfield Library
Saturday, March 9, 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

If you love film, visual effects, and music, don't miss out on this year's Artist in Residency! Alcoléa & Cie is bringing their passion for cinema and music all the way from France to Broomfield, Colorado. Immerse yourself in the world of early cinema's visual effects through the Creative Images workshops. Explore cinematic special effects and visual tricks with acclaimed composer and educator, Jean-Francois Alcoléa. Throughout this workshop, you will discover how the graphic of Méliès is used nowadays, as a legacy and a reference as well, by contemporary artists, in music and cinema.

[Alcoléa & Cie, Right in the Eye Live Movie Concert](#)

Broomfield Auditorium
Saturday, March 9, 7 p.m.
Sunday, March 10, 2 p.m.

The City and County of Broomfield Arts and History division would like to invite YOU to join us for the unforgettable "Right in the Eye" Live Movie Concert with Alcoléa & Cie. Alcoléa & Cie is bringing their passion for cinema and music all the way from France to Broomfield, Colorado. On stage, during the screening of twelve short silent films by Georges Méliès, the Alcoléa and Cie Ensemble trio of musicians will play over fifty different instruments, including rare, unique, and hand-built ones. Acclaimed French composer and musician Jean-François Alcoléa has written the original scores, which unfolds in perfect symbiosis with the creative genius of Méliès. Poetic, playful, and filled with surprise and delight, Right in the Eye is a great show for children, adults, and everyone in between who loves the sweet madness of early cinema and exciting contemporary music.

All of these events are funded by the City and County of Broomfield Arts and History division and there is no cost to participate.

[Women's History Month at the Depot \(In partnership with the Friends of Broomfield History\)](#)

Broomfield Depot Museum
Saturday, March 9, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

[Colorado Symphony's Mini Musica presents "The Ugly Duckling"](#)

Broomfield Auditorium
March 19, 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

[NEW Auditorium Open House](#)

Broomfield Auditorium, 3 Community Park Road

Tuesday, March 26, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

No cost to participate, no registration required, lunch will be provided

You are invited to come to the inaugural Broomfield Auditorium Open House event. Explore the inner workings of the facility and discover its vital role as a community performance space. Meet with the dedicated Arts and History staff, who will provide insights into the venue's operations, including details on the new and updated rental policy and procedures, as well as key reservation dates for the 2025 calendar. Plus, enjoy a complimentary lunch as you mingle and learn more about what the Auditorium has to offer.



Previous Programs:

Valentines at the Broomfield Depot Museum: The Valentines at the Depot event was once again a very successful program. This annual event invites guests to learn about the history of Valentine's day while creating their own valentine's cards using a traditional fountain ink pen. This year's event saw active participation from 32 attendees who braved the snow and visited the Depot Museum, where they enthusiastically crafted their own personalized Valentine's cards throughout the day.

Art in Public Places Updates

With the completion of the Community Art Plan and a prioritization of new and existing projects by the Arts, History and Cultural Council, staff are working closely with consultants from NINE dot ARTS to cost each project and begin a project timeline. Internal work over the next few months will include finalizing the AIPP Implementation Plan (including guidelines and maintenance plans), and looking through 2024 and 2025 from a budget and project implementation perspective. The team is appreciative of the support and guidance from the Arts, History and Cultural Council and the dedication and enthusiasm of the NINE dot ARTS team to bring a new perspective to Art in Public Places.

Museums and Collections Updates

The Crawford Pump House and Out House: The history team deaccessioned the Crawford Pump House and will be sending it to a new home soon. In other outbuilding news, the Town of Superior added the Crawford Out House to their historic site in



January. See the photo below of the outhouse in its new temporary home in Superior.

Racism and Discrimination at the Lafayette Swimming Pool Exhibit coming in June! The Broomfield Depot Museum will host this award-winning temporary exhibit starting June 1. This exhibit examines the events in Lafayette during the 1930s, when the first Lafayette Swimming Pool was built and then shuttered. The exhibit, which features extensive research and photographs, highlights the brave efforts of Latina activist Rose Lueras, who fought for civil rights and justice in her community. The Broomfield Arts & History team has added stories and history from the Broomfield Chicano/a and Latinx community.

Broomfield Auditorium and Rental Program updates

Lighting and Auditorium renovation RFP: The Arts and History team selected Theatre Projects to consult the City and County of Broomfield on the Auditorium Lighting and Technical Production project. Their qualifications align perfectly with the goals and objectives of this project.

March rentals: There are eight rentals in the month of March. Public events include the Library's One Book Jr., Rocky Mountain Brassworks' Myths, Legends, and Tales concert, Colorado Chamber Player's Bach Birthday Celebration, and Colorado Symphony Mini Musica's "The Ugly Duckling" storytime.

Broomfield Out Loud Updates

Phase 1 of the Broomfield Out Loud project ended on February 29. The Broomfield Arts and History team will still happily record oral histories but no stories after February 29 will be considered to move on to phase 2 of the Broomfield Out Loud project. A jury panel will select 10 stories for phase 2 of the Broomfield Out Loud project throughout March.

Oral History Update:

By the end of February 2024, we will have recorded 65 oral history interviews with Broomfield residents or individuals with stories about Broomfield. 50 of these have been fully transcribed through AI software and then 'scrubbed' by volunteers or staff.

Arts and History B in the Loop Newsletter

[February Arts and History B in the Loop Newsletter](#)

Sent to	Open Rate	Click Rate
4162	52.7%	2.9%

Grant Updates

Grant Summary:

The Arts & History team officially wrapped up their 2023 Artist in Residency program with LITVAKdance by submitting the grant narrative and budget review to the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA). This project reached 911 people in the fall of 2023 and provided engaging experiences around “Our Man-Made Waterways” through Treatment Plant tours, a culminating dance performance, and other educational programs.

The Arts, History and Cultural Council reviewed and funded 4 Arts, Culture and Science Grants with the total award of \$5,000. The recipients are T2 Dance Company, Bal Swan Children's Center, Sohap Ensemble and Holy Family High School.

Arts & History Division

- Megan Gilby, Arts and History Manager
- Cheryl German, Arts and History Administrative Analyst
- David Allison, History Coordinator
- Serr Her, Arts Programming Coordinator
- Mathew Kitchen, Auditorium Lead Tech
- Kathryn Lynip, Library, Arts, History and CSU Extension Director