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The Newcomers: Finding Refuge, Friendship, and Hope in an American Classroom, with Author Helen Thorpe



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ACTIVE MINDS

Active Minds (activeminds.com) expands lives and minds by providing outstanding educational programs across Denver.

Nobel Prize

Saturday, Dec. 9, 1-2 p.m.

@ **Central Library, Floor 7, Training Room**

Swedish chemist Alfred Nobel, the inventor of dynamite, established the Nobel Prize in his will in 1895. For over a century the prize has stood for extraordinary accomplishment in a variety of fields throughout the world. We'll trace the history of the Nobel Prize, highlighting notable laureates, notable omissions and a controversy here and there. We will also look at recent and possible future winners and the political impact the prize can have on the world.

Dinosaurs!

Thursday, Dec. 14, 6:45 p.m. @ **Sam Gary**

Learn about new discoveries that will change our thinking about Dinosaurs, one of the most fascinating creatures ever to inhabit our planet. From the beginnings of the Dinosaur era to the mass extinctions that eliminated their presence, we'll look at the types, habits and history of these amazing creatures. We'll also look at the new technologies used to study these prehistoric giants and what has been learned about their existence and demise that has never been known before.

Argentina

Thursday, Dec. 21, 3 p.m.

@ **Ross-University Hills**

Argentina can fairly be described as "up and coming"...again. Once one of the wealthiest countries in the world, Argentina suffered economic disruption and political instability after the Great Depression that lasted into the early 21st century. Recently, however, the economy is growing and Argentina is on a path toward international integration under the leadership of President Mauricio Macri. We'll review Argentina's history, culture, current status and future prospects.

Saudi Arabia

Thursday, Dec. 21, 6:45 p.m. @ **Sam Gary**

With over 20 percent of the world's proven oil reserves, the importance of Saudi Arabia to the United States (and the world) has been clear for some time. Join us as we tell the story of Saudi Arabia. We will cover Saudi history, the recent transition in generational power of the Saudi Royal family and the complicated role played by Wahhabi Islam and Sunni Islam in the country and the region.

AUTHOR VISITS AND WRITING

Write On! With Jana Clark

Saturday, Dec. 2, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

@ **Central Library, Floor 1, Burnham Hoyt Book Club Room**

Be led through a series of thinking and writing exercises designed to hone your craft. Topic: Your family is full of characters. Previous attendance is not required.

NaNoWriMo Open Mic

Saturday, Dec. 2, 2-4 p.m. @ **Athmar**

Come and share some of your writing and/or listen to what others have written during National Novel Writing Month. We'll have coffee, cocoa and snacks.

Hard Times Writing Workshop with Lighthouse Writers Workshop

Tuesdays, Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26, 3-5 p.m.

@ **Central Library, Floor 4,
Rockwell Room**

Poverty, addiction, homelessness and other hard situations shape who we are and the stories we tell. Learn to put those experiences into words. Sharing is optional, and a seasoned instructor will guide you through prompts and edits to hone your craft. No experience required; writing materials provided.

Denver and Chicana Art: A Sense of Place

Friday, Dec. 8, 3 p.m. @ **Byers**
Author Melina Vizcaino-Alemán will discuss the work of Chicana artist Carlota D.R. Espinoza, as related in her new book, *Gender and Place in Chicana/o Literature*. She will discuss the place of Chicana/o art across the greater Mexican American Southwest, including Espinoza's work in the Santa Fe Arts District. Held at the historic Byers Branch Library, where Espinoza's *Pasado, Presente, Futuro* mural reminds us why Denver matters in discussions of Chicana/o art. Enjoy a special appearance by the artist and a Q&A with author and artist.

Colorado Women: A History with Author Gail Beaton

Saturday, Dec. 9, 2:30 p.m. @ **Park Hill**
Author Gail Beaton will discuss and sign her fascinating book *Colorado Women: A History*, the first full-length chronicle of the lives, roles and contributions of women in Colorado from prehistory through the modern day, addressing the everyday lives of all women, placing them in historical context. Books available for sale and signing.

The Newcomers: Finding Refuge, Friendship, and Hope in an American Classroom, with Author Helen Thorpe

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 6:30 p.m. @ **Park Hill**
In *The Newcomers: Finding Refuge, Friendship, and Hope in an American Classroom*, readers learn about the families of the students, and the remarkable, harrowing journeys that have brought them to South High School in Denver: war, resettlements overseas, the process of seeking asylum, how badly the students and their families want to "be American." Together, these stories create an urgent portrait of the real America, and a reminder that American wars overseas inevitably send refugees to our shores. Books available for sale and signing.

Wild Irish Roots: A Seasonal Guidebook of Herbs, Ritual and Connection with Author Tonja Reichley

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 6:30 p.m. @ **Park Hill**
The time is now, to connect with our Irish roots and the ancient wisdom within us, to receive the guidance needed to traverse through these challenging and opportunistic times, to be guided by our teachers: the herbs, the Earth, the moon and the elements based on the ancient Irish calendar. Experience a Winter Solstice ritual and explore your wild roots. Books available for sale and signing.

Holiday Open House

Saturday, Dec. 9, 1-3 p.m.
@ **Schlessman Family**
Escape the holiday hubbub. Join our staff for live music by guitarist James Cline, festive refreshments, crafts and good fellowship.

Winter Festival

Saturday, Dec. 9, 5:30 p.m.
@ **Green Valley Ranch**
Join us for live music, cookie decorating, glitter tattoos, crafts, games and a hot chocolate bar. Light refreshments will be served.

Annual Holiday Open House

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 4-6 p.m. @ **Bear Valley**
Enjoy holiday refreshments and make a craft while you mingle with your neighbors.

Fourth Annual Open House

Saturday, Dec. 16, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
@ **Ross-Broadway**
Celebrate the season with food, music, and a chance to mingle with neighbors inside our cozy library.

Chamber Music Concert and Holiday Open House

Saturday, Dec. 16, 1-4 p.m. @ **Decker**
Get swept away by a wide range of classical works performed by amateur musicians from the Colorado Chamber Music Society. Light, festive refreshments will be provided by local caterer Monica Cadillac beginning at 1 p.m. and the music performance will begin at 2 p.m.

Holiday Craft Extravaganza

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2-3:30 p.m.
@ **Eugene Field**
Join us as we make holiday-themed crafts—great for your home or as a gift.

Winter Open House

Saturday, Dec. 23, 1 p.m. @ **Smiley**
Spend the afternoon sipping on hot cider and enjoying cookies while listening to the beautiful harp music of Star Edwards. There will be a variety of crafts and activities for kids and adults.

Celebrate Kwanzaa

Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2 p.m. @ **Blair-Caldwell**
Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2 p.m.
@ **Ford-Warren**
Thursday, Dec. 28, 2 p.m.
@ **Green Valley Ranch**
Friday, Dec. 29, 2 p.m. @ **Pauline Robinson**
Saturday, Dec. 30, 2 p.m. @ **Gonzales**
Kwanzaa is a holiday celebration that honors the African first fruits harvest tradition. Take part in a festive cross-cultural experience highlighting the principles of Kwanzaa accompanied by music and dance. Light refreshments served.

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CELEBRATIONS

Holiday Jazz and Open House

Saturday, Dec. 2, 11-1 p.m. @ **Eugene Field**
Celebrate the season with a jazz trio and yummy treats.

SPELLS & Holiday Open House

Saturday, Dec. 9, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
@ **Ross-Cherry Creek**
Kick off the weekend with wild party tunes from SPELLS at 10:30 a.m., and stay for delicious snacks and crafts for the whole family.



CHILDREN

Weekly STEM Camp and Slime Club

Every Tuesday, 4 p.m. @ **Virginia Village**
Have fun doing a new STEM activity with us every Tuesday afternoon. Ideal for ages 8-12.

Baby Play and Explore

Thursdays, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. @ **Athmar**
Unstructured play and social time for babies and their caregivers. Enjoy books, music and a variety of developmentally appropriate toys in our warm and inviting play space. Ideal for ages 0-18 months.

Sensational Saturdays

Saturdays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
@ **Central, Children's Library**
A self-paced family activity every Saturday. Ideal for ages 0-12 and caregivers. No unaccompanied children or adults. For more information call 720-865-1306.

Yoga Storytime

Saturday, Dec. 2, 10 a.m.
@ **Ross-Broadway**
Yoga instructor Miss Brit will lead children and their caregivers through yoga poses that pair with stories. Bring the whole family and yoga mats or towels.

Saturday Storytime

Saturday, Dec. 2, 10:30 a.m.
@ **Pauline Robinson**
Stories, songs and fun. Ideal for ages 3-5 and a caregiver.

Travel Tic Tac Toe

Saturday, Dec. 2, 11 a.m. @ **Bear Valley**
Saturday, Dec. 16, 2 p.m. @ **Athmar**
Create a Tic Tac Toe board using an Altoid tin. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult helper.

Children's Concert with Pink Hawks

Saturday, Dec. 2, 11 a.m.
@ **Central, Children's Library**
We are turning up the volume in the Children's Library with a series of local music concerts. Pink Hawks is an Afrobeat / Chicano hip-hop orchestra, playing original and future-traditional music. Ideal for ages 0-12.

Tinker Lab

Saturday, Dec. 2, 1-4 p.m. @ **Gonzales**
Use saws, hot glue and more to build your own creations. Stay for ten minutes or the whole three hours. Ideal for ages 8 and up.

Invisible Crayon Paintings

Saturday, Dec. 2, 2 p.m. @ **Hampden**
Create a beautiful painting using watercolors and special crayons. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult helper.

Cookie Decorating and Holiday Card Making

Saturday, Dec. 2, 2 p.m. @ **Decker**
Enjoy the South Pearl Street Holiday Market, then stop by Decker Branch Library for cookie decorating and holiday card making. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult helper.

Canvas Painting

Wednesday, Dec. 6, 4:30 p.m.
@ **Woodbury**
Express your creativity on canvas. Ideal for ages 3-12 with an adult helper.

Stained Glass Trees

Thursday, Dec. 7, 4 p.m. @ **Virginia Village**
Tuesday, Dec. 19, 4 p.m. @ **Montbello**
Design a colorful painting using tissue paper and watercolors. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult helper.

Parent/Tot Movement with Colorado Ballet

Friday, Dec. 8, 10:30 a.m.
@ **Ross-University Hills**
Tuesday, Dec. 12, 10:30 a.m. @ **Byers**
Instead of Toddler Storytime, we're dancing with the Colorado Ballet. This class is designed for the young child who loves to move and dance with music. Emphasis is placed on both fine and gross motor skill development, coordination and balance in a safe nurturing environment that encourages parent involvement. Ideal for ages 1.5-3 with a caregiver.

Sing Along, Move Along with Swallow Hill Music

Saturday, Dec. 9, 10 a.m.
@ **Ross-Broadway**
Interactive musical class featuring dance, creative movement, song, percussion instruments and more. Ideal for ages 0-5.

A Christmas Smooch: A Play with Merry Andrew Afoot

Saturday, Dec. 9, 10:30 a.m. @ **Bear Valley**
Rodolfo must coax his dog to kiss him (yuck) three (YUCK!) times! (YUCK!!!!!!) This delightful story, designed to charm all ages, unfolds live in front of you. If you love dogs, ants or the Christmas Chicken, you'll love Merry-Andrew Afoot. Ideal for all ages.

Moving Horses with the Denver Art Museum

Sunday, Dec. 10, 2 p.m.
@ **Central, Children's Library**
Make and decorate your own paper horse with joints that can be moved and positioned. This project is inspired by Eadweard Muybridge's famous photographs of horses running. Ideal for ages 4 and up.



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Tuesday, Dec. 26, 2 p.m. @ **Blair-Caldwell**

Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2 p.m. @ **Ford-Warren**

Thursday, Dec. 28, 2 p.m. @ **Green Valley Ranch**

Friday, Dec. 29, 2 p.m. @ **Pauline Robinson**

Saturday, Dec. 30, 2 p.m. @ **Gonzales**

Gingerbread House

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 4:30 p.m.

@ **Ford-Warren**

Make and decorate your own gingerbread house using graham crackers and frosting. Ideal for ages 4 and up with an adult helper. While supplies last.

Clay Sculpting

Wednesday, Dec. 13, 4:30 p.m.

@ **Woodbury**

Make a unique creation to take home using air dry clay. Ideal for ages 3 and up.

Clothespin Dolls/Ornaments with the Museum of Miniatures, Dolls and Toys

Friday, Dec. 15, 3:30 p.m. @ **Byers**

Get ready for the holidays with these clothespin dolls that can easily be hung as ornaments. In partnership with the Denver Museum of Miniatures, Dolls and Toys. Ideal for ages 6-18.

Metallic Masks

Friday, Dec. 15, 4 p.m. @ **Smiley**

Monday, Dec. 18, 4 p.m. @ **Hampden**

Use metallic paint, washers, bolts and aluminum to create an amazing mask. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult helper.

Glitter Light Switch Cover

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2 p.m.

@ **Schlessman Family**

Light up your room with a glittery light switch cover. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult helper.

Shrinky Key Chains

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2 p.m. @ **Byers**

Design a keychain with shrinky plastic. If you can draw it, we can shrink it. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult helper.

Magic and Comedy Show with Ann Lincoln

Saturday, Dec. 16, 10 a.m.

@ **Ross-Broadway**

Celebrate the season with a magic and comedy show. Ideal for ages 4-10.

Hot Air Balloon Picture

Saturday, Dec. 16, 11 a.m. @ **Bear Valley**

Create a three-dimensional picture of a hot air balloon. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult helper.

Show and Tell Band

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2 p.m. @ **Sam Gary**

The Denver Concert Band's Show and Tell Band creates a fun, hands-on musical experience for kids. Join us to learn how many different instruments are played and how they sound. Ideal for ages 4 and up.

Sparkle Dish

Tuesday, Dec. 19, 4:30 p.m.

@ **Ford-Warren**

Create a clay sparkle dish. Perfect as a gift for you or a friend. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult helper.

Pet Blankets

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 4:30 p.m.

@ **Woodbury**

We will make pet blankets that will be donated to an animal shelter. Ideal for ages 5 and up.

Gumdrop Designs

Friday, Dec. 22, 2 p.m. @ **Ross-Barnum**

Come be a gumdrop engineer. Ideal for ages 3-8 with an adult helper.

T-Shirt Design with UV Light

Friday, Dec. 22, 1-3 p.m. @ **Gonzales**

Customize a T-shirt for yourself or a friend. Choose a photo, invert its colors using Lumi (a free photo negative app), then watch it appear on your shirt with UV light from the sun. Ideal for ages 8 and up. Limited to first 20 participants.

Loco-Motion: The Science & Circus Arts Show

Wednesday, Dec. 27, 3 p.m. @ **Park Hill**

National Juggling Champion and movement artist Peter Davison presents juggling, unicycling, balancing, acrobatics and more, while teaching the science behind the artistry. Peter mixes circus skills with dance and physical theater in a unique presentation that captivates all ages. Human and machine locomotion, Newton's Laws of Motion, center of gravity, gyroscopic action, centrifugal and centripetal forces, friction and other physical phenomena are revealed. Ideal for ages 5 and up.

CD Mosaic Flower Pots

Wednesday, Dec. 27, 4:30 p.m.

@ **Woodbury**

Use old CDs to decorate a flower pot. Ideal for ages 5 and up.

Noon Year's Eve Party

Saturday, Dec. 30, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. @ **Athmar**

Ring in the new year at noon. Celebrate with snacks, noise makers, confetti blasters and games. We'll also enjoy live music from the local band, Skeleton Dolls.

Noon Year's Eve Party

Saturday, Dec. 30, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. @ **Byers**

Ring in the new year at noon. Celebrate with snacks and sparkling cider, noise makers, confetti blasters, a photo booth and games.

Children's Concert with PINK HAWKS

Saturday, Dec. 2, 11 a.m.



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Noon Years Eve

Saturday, Dec. 30, 11:30 a.m. @ **Barnum**

Ring in the new year at noon with snacks, bubbles, games, new year crafts and a balloon drop. Ideal for ages 1-4 with an adult helper.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Keeping it Real: More Race Talk for the Holidays

Wednesday, Dec. 6, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

@ **Ross-Cherry Creek**

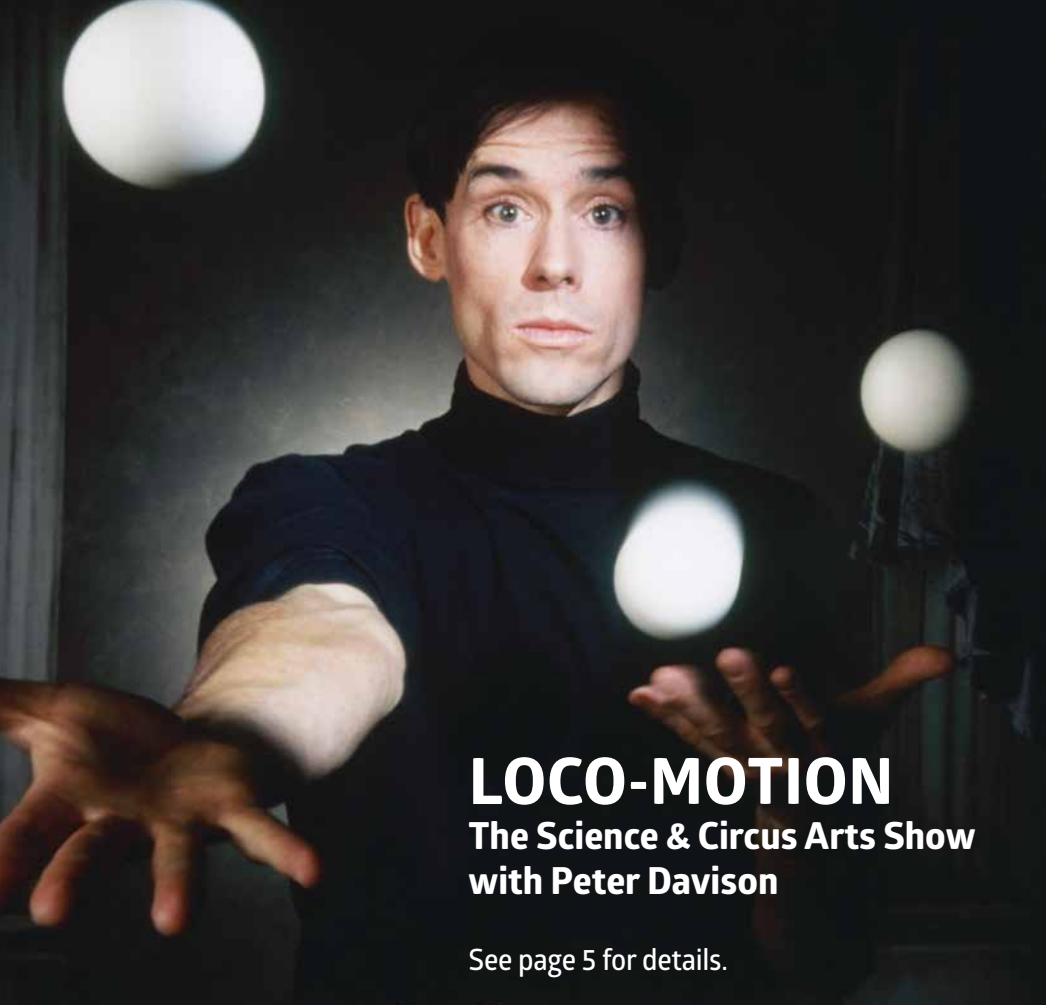
Skilled facilitator Dr. Gregory Diggs is back with more tactics for uncomfortable conversations and will touch on strategies for dealing with relatives.

Coffee Connections

Wednesday, Dec. 27, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

@ **Central Library, Floor 4, Lounge**

Library customers experiencing homelessness and customers interested in social issues are invited to join library staff for coffee, snacks and conversation on topics related to social inclusion. Let's discuss what we have in common.



LOCO-MOTION

The Science & Circus Arts Show with Peter Davison

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Tumbler Pottery Painting with Ceramics in the City

Tuesday, Dec. 5, 5 p.m. @ **Woodbury**
Decorate a tumbler that will be glazed, fired and ready for pickup in 5-7 days. Space is limited to the first 10 adult participants.

Hand Lettering - Holiday Cards

Wednesday, Dec. 6, 6 p.m. @ **Smiley**
Hand lettering is the art of drawing letterforms to illustrate a quote, word, or concept. Join illustrator Annie Herzig to learn the basics of drawing letters and creating simple layouts, then head home with a hand-lettered holiday card for a loved one.

Embroidered Cards

Thursday, Dec. 7, 1 p.m. @ **Smiley**
Create a colorful, one-of-a-kind embroidered greeting card.

Sewing Lounge

Thursdays, Dec. 7 & 14, 12 p.m.
@ **Bear Valley**
Need a sewing machine for a special project? Grab your supplies and head over to use one of ours. Staff will be on hand to answer questions.

Aromatherapy Potions

Thursday, Dec. 7, 4 p.m. @ **Montbello**
Discover the enchanting world of herbs and aromatherapy. Learn about 10 essential oils to inspire the mind and heal the body. Create a custom spritzer plus a sugar scrub filled with botanicals to pamper your skin.

Famous Place Pendants

Thursday, Dec. 7, 5:30 p.m.
@ **Pauline Robinson**
A Favorite Place Pendant will bring your dream location closer to home. We provide dominoes, recycled maps and atlases, Mod Podge and sparkle, you pick the place.

Embossed Copper Greeting Cards

Thursday, Dec. 7, 5 p.m. @ **Montbello**
Design your own embossed copper art piece, or use one of our templates. We'll explore the full range of the medium, including creating a patina and polishing to create a finished and beautiful greeting card.

Wishing for Washi

Saturday, Dec. 9, 2 p.m. @ **Virginia Village**
Wednesday, Dec. 13, 6 p.m.
@ **Green Valley Ranch**
Saturday, Dec. 16, 2 p.m. @ **Hampden**
Explore our extensive collection of Japanese-inspired decorative tape and create custom cards, bookmarks or scrapbook additions.

COOKING

What Do I Do with Leftover Food?

Saturday, Dec. 2, 2:30 p.m. @ **Park Hill**
We will cover various methods to reduce in-home food waste, including simple shopping guides, meal preparation maps, ingredient up-cycling and more. You will be empowered to use your creativity and food intuition to make the most of food budget, improve efficiency in the kitchen and honor the energy expended for food production.

Food Lover's Book Club: Coffee

Wednesday, Dec. 13, 6 p.m.
@ **Ross-Cherry Creek**
If your day doesn't start until after your first cup of coffee, this is the book club for you. Join Amanda M. Faison, the former food editor of *5280* Magazine, and Elle Taylor, local barista and owner of Amethyst Coffee Co., for a discussion that dives deep into our favorite beverage. Check out this month's book, *The World Atlas of Coffee: From Beans to Brewing*, written by 2007 World Barista Champion James Hoffmann. Bonus: Samples.

DIY

Knitting Club

Mondays, 6-7:30 p.m.
@ **Schlessman Family**
Lessons, movies, charity work, and, of course, knitting.

Ford-Warren Crafters

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 5-7 p.m. @ **Ford-Warren**
Bring a knitting, quilting, crocheting, cross stitch or other project of your choice. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Mini Painted Flower Pots

Saturday, Dec. 2, 2 p.m. @ **Bear Valley**
Brighten your winter and enjoy an afternoon of guided painting on small terracotta pots. Decorative or functional as indoor planters.

Hard Times No-Sew Fleece Scarf

Tuesday, Dec. 5, 1-2:30 p.m.
@ **Central Library, Floor 4, Rockwell Room**
Make your very own warm fleece scarf. All supplies are provided, including embellishments, to create and personalize your new scarf.

Raw Wool Tassels with The Craftsman & Apprentice

Saturday, Dec. 9, 2 p.m. @ **Bear Valley**
Learn about the history of the age-old world craft tradition while you create large and small tassels to adorn your walls, bags and home.

Sit 'n' Knit

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 12:30-2:30 p.m.
@ **Bear Valley**

Experienced knitters can share their knowledge while beginners get tips from skilled cohorts. Fiber host: Charlotte Updike.

Knitting Circle

Thursdays, Dec. 14 & 28, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
@ **Sam Gary**

Bring your knitting or crochet project and join other crafters in conversation around the Sam Gary fireplace.

Crafting with a Cause

Thursday, Dec. 14, 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ **Byers**
Learn how to knit or crochet a scarf to donate to a local homeless shelter. You can also make a no-sew pet blanket to donate to your local animal shelter. All materials provided. We'll be collecting any hats and scarves to donate through December 21.

Coloring for Grown Ups

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2:30 p.m. @ **Park Hill**
Come for a nostalgic hour of coloring, in or outside the lines. Use our supplies to unplug and color your way to serenity.

Broke Holiday

Tuesday, Dec. 19, 5 p.m. @ **Woodbury**
Let's make cool holiday-themed decorations that are easy on the eyes and light on the wallet. We'll also enjoy music and hot cocoa.

Cloth Banners with The Craftsman & Apprentice

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 6-7 p.m.
@ **Ross-Cherry Creek**

Design, cut and assemble your own pin-worthy fabric banner using all sorts of upcycled fabric scraps. This is a fun and simple no-sew DIY project, perfect for decorating or gifting.

Stamped Washer Necklaces

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 6 p.m.

@ **Green Valley Ranch**

Bring your basic metal crafting skills and indent your intentions onto a personalized necklace.

EXHIBITS

Keep a Light in Your Window: "Daddy" Bruce Randolph Exhibit

Exhibit on display Dec. 4-29
@ **Blair-Caldwell**

Daddy Bruce, Sr. and Jr., gained the reputation of social philanthropists and humanitarians and were honored with a Proclamation by Governor John Hickenlooper. The exhibit highlights original paintings, prints, documents and news articles about these legendary individuals. A repaired, once lost, bronze sculpture designed by Edward Dwight will be unveiled and the film trailer, *Keep a Light in Your Window*, will run during the exhibit.

Hampden Art Show

Exhibit: Dec.7-Jan. 11,
Opening Reception: Saturday Dec. 9,
2:30-4:30 p.m. @ **Hampden**
View artwork by Hampden Branch Library staff and community members. Artwork will be offered for sale—perfect for those last-minute holiday gifts.

FILM

Jimi Hendrix (1973) R

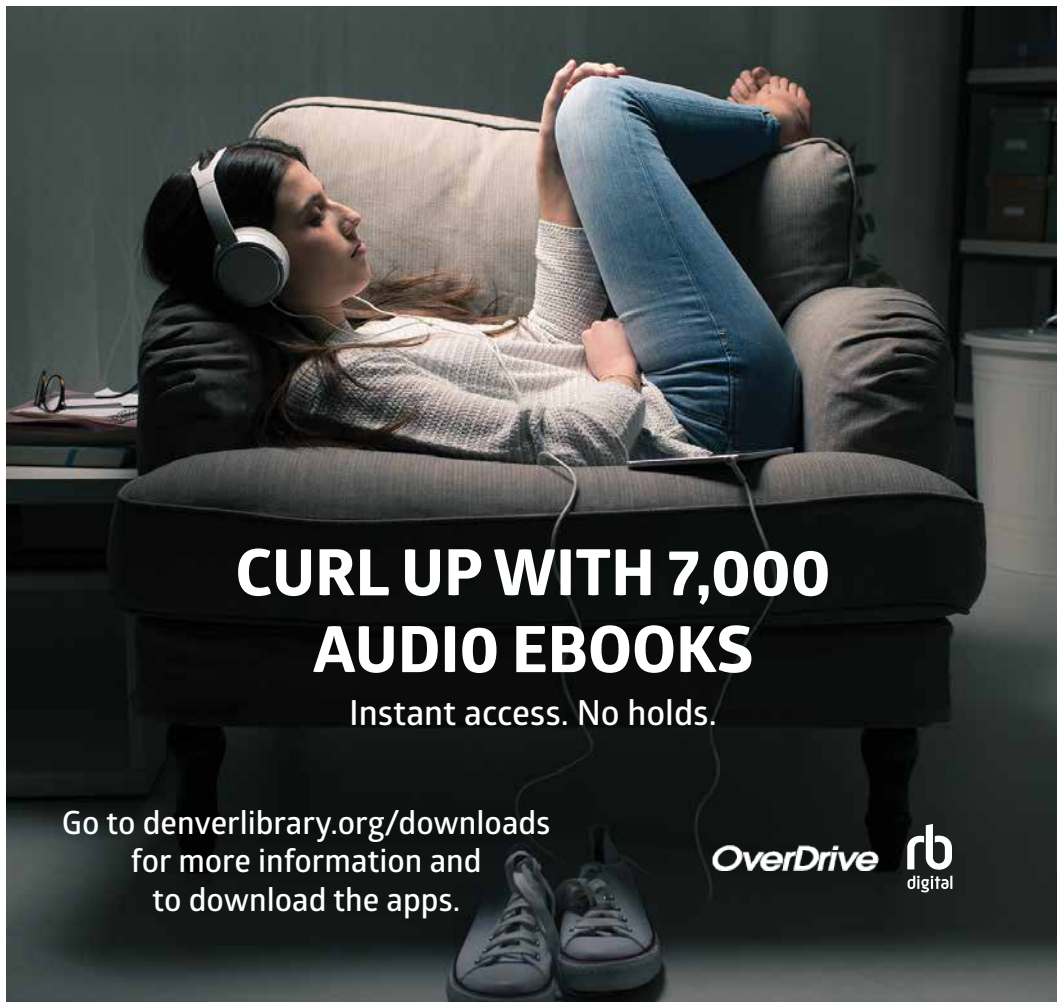
Sunday, Dec. 3, 1:30-4 p.m.

@ **Central Library, Conference Center**
Recalling Jimi Hendrix's greatest guitar solos for *Rolling Stone Magazine* in 2011, Greg Tate wrote: "The electric guitar is an instrument whose history can be divided up into two eras: before and after Jimi Hendrix." This documentary, made three years after Hendrix's death, highlights his brilliance with live performances and interviews with musicians who knew him best.

Pocketful of Miracles (1961) Technicolor

Sunday, Dec. 10, 1:30-4 p.m.


@ **Central Library, Conference Center**
Schmaltzy, funny and endearing, director Frank Capra's remake of his own film *Lady for a Day* (1933) would be his last. Newcomer Ann-Margret plays opposite Bette Davis, Glenn Ford and Hope Lange. Capra's singular praise went to Peter Falk for his comedic performance which earned Falk an Oscar nod for Best Supporting Actor while Edith Head and Walter Plunkett were jointly nominated for costume and color design.



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GENEALOGY

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W.I.S.E. Wales. Ireland. Scotland. England Family History Society

Saturday, Dec. 2, 1:30 p.m. @ **Central Library, Floor 7, Training Room**

Jill Maxwell presents History of the Dance-With Bells On. Morris Dancing has a long tradition dating back to at least the 1400s. Come learn about this obscure, but widely practiced dance form.

Colorado Genealogical Society- Beginning Genealogy

Saturday, Dec. 9, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

@ **Central Library, Floor 5, Gates Meeting Room**

Learn to think genealogically through exploration of census using *Ancestry.com*, pedigree charts and family group sheets and other major record groups. Individual assistance following class.

MORE FUN STUFF

Beer and Buttons

Friday, Dec. 1, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

@ **ReCreative Denver, 765 Santa Fe Dr, 80204**

Stop by ReCreative Denver, the new non-profit in the Santa Fe Arts District, on First Friday and visit Byers Branch Library table to create bottle-opening buttons.

Vintage Gaming #TBT

Thursday, Dec. 7, 5:30-7:30 p.m. @ **Byers**

Come relive your youth with Super Mario, The Legend of Zelda, Tecmo Bowl, Ms. Pacman, Galaga and others. If your childhood was more recent, we've got Goldeneye or the original Super Smash Brothers on the N64, or various Gamecube and Sega Genesis games. Ideal for ages 18 and up.

Mini Comic Con 2

Saturday, Dec. 9, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

@ **Sam Gary**

Celebrate all aspects of fandom at Mini Comic Con 2! There will be comics, games, cosplay, face painting and more. Come dressed as your favorite character and enter our costume contest to win prizes. Visit Artist's Alley, featuring over 30 comic book artists.

Your Income Taxes: What You Need to Know NOW

Saturday, Dec. 9, 2 p.m.

@ **Ross-University Hills**

You probably think of April as tax season, but as the year winds down, what should you be doing now to prepare for and minimize your 2017 tax bill? Certified Financial Planner and tax expert Susan O'Grady shares her year-end tax strategies, common mistakes, 2017 tax law changes and more.

Christmas Tea with Charles Dickens

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2 p.m.

@ **Virginia Village**

Chautauqua scholar and actor David Skipper brings dramatic life to the great Charles Dickens as he was in 1844, a year after the publication of *A Christmas Carol in Prose*. Mr. Dickens will read excerpts from his beloved novel. He also loves to engage his guests in holiday parlour games, so bring your festive yuletide imagination.

Toys and Books for Kids

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2-4 pm.

@ **Blair-Caldwell**

The Greater Park Hill Sertoma Club sponsors an annual toy and book giveaway each year to honor the founding member, Omar D. Blair. Kids will be able to take a picture with Santa, tour the museum and pick out a new or gently used gift. Light refreshments served. Ideal for ages 5-10. Adults must be accompanied by a child.

Solstice with Sol Tribe Tattoo and Body Piercing

Thursday, Dec. 21 @ 6:30-7:30 p.m.

@ **Sol Tribe 56 Broadway, 80203**

Explore South Broadway and one of the small businesses at the heart of its community. Celebrate the winter solstice with owner Alicia Cardenas, and learn how a modern studio operates to provide ancient body adornment and brings creatives together.

MAKE YOUR OWN GREETING CARDS

Hand lettering
Embroidered
Embossed copper

See page 6 for each program's details.

Mommy Meetup Group (for Daddies, too!)

Friday, Dec. 29, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

@ Virginia Village

Meet and greet other moms and dads in the neighborhood. We will provide toys and books for your little ones.

MUSIC

Ukulele Class with Swallow Hill

Thursday, Dec. 7, 14, and 21, 6-7 p.m.

@ Ford-Warren

The ukulele is small, easy to carry, easy on the fingers and simple to start with. You will learn a couple chords and simple, singable songs. Ukuleles and instruction provided by Swallow Hill Music. Join this three part series.

La Pompe Jazz Band

Saturday, Dec. 9, 12 p.m. @ Montbello

Enjoy a performance by Denver-based gypsy jazz band La Pompe Jazz.

Red Hot Rockabilly with Dixie Leadfoot & the Chrome Struts

Saturday, Dec. 9, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

@ Central Library, Floor 1, Movies & Music

Elvis, Wanda Jackson and Roy Orbison are just a few of the invited guests to this rockin' music party. Light refreshments served.

Lowry Community Singers

Monday, Dec. 18, 6:15 p.m.

@ Schlessman Family

The Lowry Community Singers is about tapping into the joyful part of ourselves that is the essence of singing in a group. We are inclusive, diverse and memory friendly. *Sponsored by a grant from the Lowry Foundation.*

Holiday Music with Yi-Ting

Thursday, Dec. 21, 5-6 p.m.

@ Ford-Warren

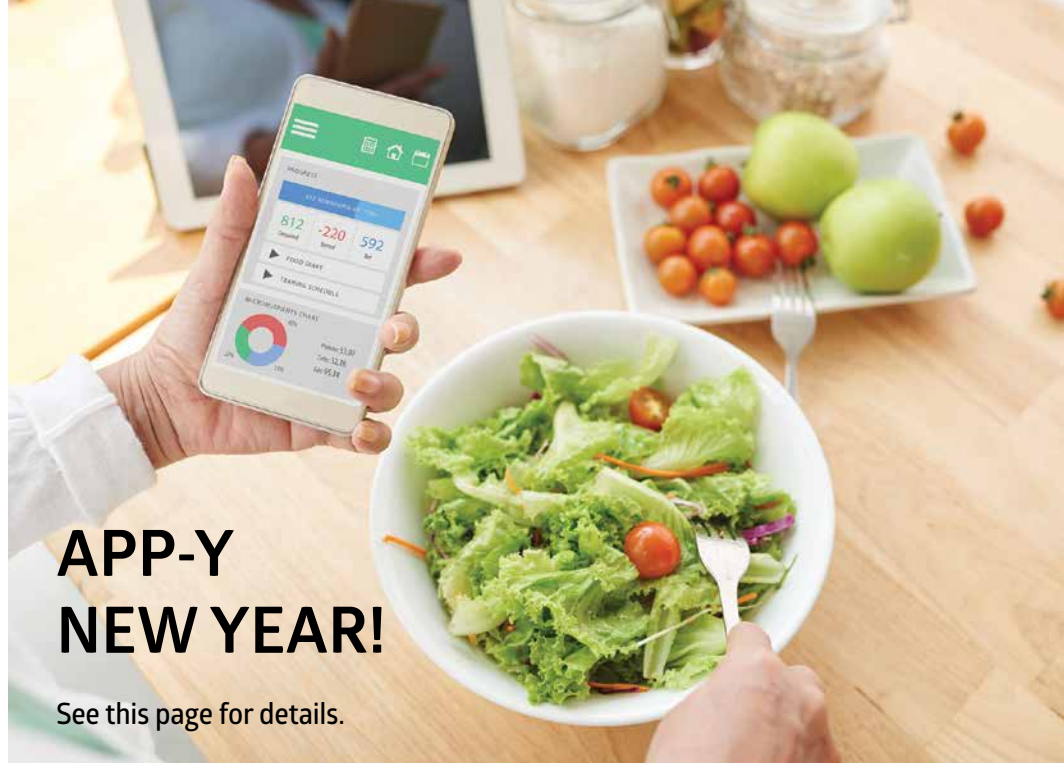
Come and sing along to some of your favorite holiday tunes with a local musician.

Harpist Star Edwards

Friday, Dec. 22, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

@ Ross-Cherry Creek

Take a break from the hustle and bustle with lovely harp music.



APP-Y NEW YEAR!

See this page for details.

NORTH OF 50

Designed for those 50+ and their friends and family in order to stay healthy, informed, connected and happy.

Memory Cafe

Water Color painting with The Craftsman and Apprentice, Tuesday Dec. 5, 1:30 p.m.
@ Ford-Warren

Songs of the Season, Tuesday, Dec. 12, 1:30 p.m. **@ Schlessman Family**

Wednesday, Dec. 13, 1 p.m. **@ Bear Valley**

Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1:30 p.m.
@ Ross-University Hills

Memory Cafe is a social and educational group for people experiencing memory loss and their families and caregivers. It is a safe place to socialize, relax and learn without the fear of stigma. Each cafe has a program followed by socializing so that people can connect with others with shared experiences. We do not provide formal care or supervision.

App-y New Year!

Saturday, Dec. 16, 2 p.m.

@ Ross-University Hills

Thinking about your New Year's resolution? There's an app for that! Whether you want to exercise more, eat better, or something else entirely, we'll share smartphone apps, websites and other tools to help you get started and stay on track.

Songbirds Holiday Sing-Along

Friday, Dec. 22, 11 a.m. **@ Gonzales**

A sing-along to promote wellbeing and happiness for those with memory loss. Come sing, relax and socialize. Caretakers and family welcome.

Flash Memoir Writing by Decade (Holidays)

Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2 p.m.

@ Eugene Field

You have a story to tell. Immerse yourself in the ambiance of the holidays and see what memories emerge. Write a short scene from your life and enjoy some holiday food.

TECHNOLOGY

Technology Classes

@ Central Library

Looking for computer or gadget help? The Community Technology Center offers free technology classes on everything from computer basics to building your own website. Visit denverlibrary.org/ctc for the class schedule and more information.

Tech Help Appointments

@ Athmar, Bear Valley, Byers, Central Library, Decker, Ford-Warren, Gonzales, Green Valley Ranch, Hadley, Hampden, Pauline Robinson, Ross-Barnum, Ross-Broadway, Ross-University Hills, Valdez-Perry

Get personalized technology assistance and instruction from one of our experts on your own device or a public computer. Call your branch for available times and to schedule your appointment.

ideaLAB Open Lab

Mondays & Tuesdays, 3-8 p.m.,
Wednesdays & Fridays 3-6 p.m.,
Thursdays 1-6 p.m., Saturdays &
Sundays 1-5 p.m. @ **Central Library,
Floor 4, SM Energy ideaLAB**
Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 4-7:30 p.m.,
Thursdays & Fridays, 1-5:30 p.m.,
Saturdays 1-4:30 p.m.

@ Hampden ideaLAB

Work on your own projects and explore the tools in the ideaLAB: record yourself in the studio, edit in Photoshop, design a 3D model and print it, repair something or make something new. All ages; no unaccompanied children under 10.

Drop In Tech Help

Tuesdays 4-6 pm @ **Woodbury**
Wednesdays, 12-1 p.m.

@ Schlessman Family

Need help navigating the internet, email or social networks like Facebook? Have questions about your phone or tablet? Want to know how to access eBooks on any device? Drop by to get your questions answered and learn how to use tech more effectively.

Technology Classes

Tuesdays, Dec. 5, 12, 19, 10:30 a.m.

@ Ross-University Hills

Learn computer basics and other skills, like how to create a resume, set up an email account, search the internet and more. Check the events calendar for specifics at denverlibrary.org/events.

Facebook: Business Pages

Wednesday, Dec. 6, 4-6 p.m. @ **Central**

Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom, Community Technology Center

Facebook offers business users a wealth of information that can be used to reach your target audience. Learn how to access and plan for social network success.

eBooks Made Easy

Thursday, Dec. 7, 3 p.m.

@ Ross-University Hills

Join this hands-on session to get started reading eBooks, listening to digital audiobooks and streaming videos on your smartphone, tablet or laptop with your library card. Already using eBooks? Bring your device and your questions!

Microsoft Excel: Graphs and Pivot Tables

Thursday, Dec. 14, 6 p.m. @ **Ross-University Hills**

Looking to advance your career by boosting your data reporting skills? Make your Excel workbook pop by using pivot tables and graphs to represent your data visually. Basic Excel skills required.

Google Drive Basics

Friday, Dec. 15, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

@ Central Library, Floor 4, Large Classroom, Community Technology Center

Learn how to save files online, create your own documents using Google's word processor, and learn about Drive's collaborative sharing features. Must have email address to attend this class.

TEENS

Eazy Gaming

Saturday, Dec. 2, 2-4 p.m. &
Wednesdays, Dec. 6 & 13, 3-4:30 p.m.

@ Byers

Play great video games on a Wii and PS4. Ideal for ages 6-18.

Teen STEAM

Tuesdays, Dec. 5 & 12, 4-5:30 @ **Byers**

Learn to cook something new with the chefs from Sticky Fingers Cooking, and use colorful L.E.D.s to paint with light in a digital photography workshop. Ideal for ages 12-18.

WELLNESS

More recreational opportunities?
denvergov.org/recreation.

Meditative Yoga for Every Body - Six Session Series

Fridays, Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22, 1:30 p.m.

@ Schlessman Family

Uniting body, breath and mind can help improve life regardless of age or fitness level. Each session will involve, safe, simple, supported yogic sequences followed by a different meditation practice each week. Participants are encouraged to bring a mat, towel and water and wear loose, comfortable clothing.

Walk With a Doc

Saturday, Dec. 2, 8 a.m.

@ Crestmoor Park, tennis courts (Monaco and Cedar Ave.)

Learn about important health topics, then walk and get fit, side-by-side with doctors, nurses and your friends. Free blood pressure checks, giveaways and refreshments. For more information, visit denver.walkwithadoc.org.

Herbal Remedies for Winter Health

Saturday, Dec. 2, 2-3:30 p.m.

@ Central Library, Floor 1, Burnham Hoyt Book Club Room

Learn about herbs and how to prepare them to improve your health during the cold and flu season.

Ask the Doc: Common Childhood Ailments

Tuesday, Dec. 5, 6:30 p.m. @ **Park Hill**

This presentation gives a rapid, broad overview of many of the common ailments faced in the infant and pediatric population, including fever, colds and viruses, ear infections, urinary tract infections and pneumonia. Q&A and discussion will follow. Presented by Jason Zamkoff, MD; Children's Hospital Colorado.

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
10:15 a.m. All Ages Eugene Field	10:15 a.m. All Ages Eugene Field	10:15 a.m. Toddlers Decker	10:15 a.m. All Ages Decker	10:15 a.m. All Ages Eugene Field	9:30 a.m. All Ages Field
Toddler Sam Gary	Preschool Sam Gary	10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	Babies Sam Gary	10:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m. All Ages Ross-Cherry Creek	10:30 a.m. All Ages Byers	All Ages Gonzales Ross-Broadway	All Ages Gonzales Park Hill Virginia Village	10:30 a.m.	All Ages Byers
All Ages/ Bilingual Ford-Warren	Babies Green Valley Ranch Smiley	Toddlers Bear Valley Central/Children's Ford-Warren Woodbury	Babies Ross-Broadway Ross-Cherry Creek	All Ages Gonzales Montbello Woodbury	
Babies Central/Children's Ross-University Hills Woodbury	Toddlers Central/Children's Schlessman Family Virginia Village	Preschool Pauline Robinson	Toddlers Hampden	All Ages/Bilingual Ford-Warren	
Preschool Bear Valley Green Valley Ranch	11:15 a.m.	11:15 a.m.	Preschool Central/Children's Schlessman Family Smiley	Babies Bear Valley Central/Children's Hampden Schlessman Family	
11:15 a.m.	All Ages/Bilingual Valdez-Perry	Babies Decker	11:15 a.m.	Toddlers Green Valley Ranch Park Hill Ross-Cherry Creek Smiley Ross-University Hills	
Babies Eugene Field Ford-Warren Sam Gary	Babies Eugene Field	Toddlers Woodbury	Babies Decker Park Hill	11:15 a.m.	
11:30 a.m.	Toddlers Sam Gary	7 p.m.	11:30 a.m.	Babies Eugene Field Park Hill	
All Ages University Hills	11:30 a.m.	All Ages Sam Gary	Babies Ross-Cherry Creek Virginia Village	Preschool Sam Gary	
7 p.m.	All Ages/Bilingual Ross-Barnum		5 p.m.	11:30 a.m.	
All Ages Gonzales	2 p.m.		All Ages/Bilingual Ross-Barnum	All Ages/Bilingual Athmar	
	Babies Smiley				
	4 p.m.				
	All Ages Spanish Gonzales				
	6:30 p.m.				
	All Ages/Bilingual Ford-Warren				

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675 Santa Fe Dr. 80204

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33 E. Bayaud Ave. 80209

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100 Poplar St. 80220

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4501 W. 46th Ave. 80212

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4690 Vine St. 80216

Virginia Village | 720.865.0940
1500 S. Dahlia St. 80222

Westwood | 720.865.0215
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