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## Letter from the President

By Merritt Pullam

Hello Mayfair. I hope everyone is well and enjoying the beautiful spring weather we have been having lately. I see many trees and flowers blooming and it's a great time of year to take walks through our neighborhood. I hope all the hard work you have put in to your yards and gardens will pay off soon.

Mayfair Neighbors, Inc. unfortunately had to cancel the spring Easter Egg Hunt due to a snowstorm. We also had to postpone and reschedule the Shred-A-Thon due to bad

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### SAVE THE DATE

**Neighborhood Yard Sale** - June 11

**Bike Parade** - July 4

**Dog Daze** - Aug. 6

**Concert in the Park**  
Aug. 20

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## Concert in Mayfair Park Aug. 20

Plans are set for this year's Mayfair Neighbors Concert in the Park on Saturday, Aug. 20, at 6 p.m., and it promises to be fantastic!

Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, family and neighbors for a wonderful end-of-summer celebration of music, food and friendship. Last year's event drew nearly 500 people, so arrive early for a good spot on the lawn and a chance to chat with old friends and new.

Food trucks will arrive at 5 p.m. and the Denver Municipal Band will be back to provide danceable tunes from their spirited and upbeat playlist starting at 6 p.m. The event will wrap by 8 p.m.

Some folks bring a picnic dinner, but

when you see this year's lineup of food trucks, you may decide to sample their tasty offerings, instead.

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We are also planning on a shaved ice vendor – a refreshing treat on a hot, summer evening.

The concert is another of the annual events brought to you by Mayfair Neighbors, Inc. and is by far our most popular. As always, the concert is free and open to all.

We hope you'll join us as we say "so long" to Summer 2016!

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weather. By the time this publication is out, we will hopefully have held the rescheduled Shred-A-Thon and helped you and your neighbors rid yourselves of many unwanted documents. Our Shred-A-Thon is one of the annual events that Mayfair Neighbors, Inc. hosts to help connect our wonderful community members.

On April 23, 2016, the City of Denver coordinated the Greater Colfax Cleanup. Neddra Niblet and her staff at Denver Solid Waste Management did a fantastic job this year of coordinating the event. Many neighborhood organizations along Colfax joined forces with other city volunteers to help rid the Fax of everything from recyclable materials, cigarette butts, food and candy wrappers, to anything else you can think of that someone may have discarded along Colfax.

Our very own Mayfair neighbors Barry Buck, Jean Bolling, Jan Tucker and her husband, Jessica Linart and her daughter Mara, Destiny and Drew Walker, and myself joined forces with some volunteers from outside of the neighborhood. Our team was responsible for the stretch between Monaco and Holly. Other neighborhoods such as Historic Montclair, East Montclair, Greater Park Hill, Mayfair Colfax BID, and Hale all participated. It was a great community-building event.

It was surprising to see the amount of trash on the street. You don't notice how much is there when you drive by in your car. It was great to have such a high-level of participation and everyone involved really dug in and worked hard. As we were picking up the debris, people who were nearby frequenting the local businesses or simply walking along Colfax stopped to tell us how much they appreciated all we were doing. Many of them also joined in and helped with the cleanup.

I look forward to potentially bringing an event like this to our neighborhood. The East Montclair Neighborhood hosts multiple cleanup events in their neighborhood throughout the year. If anyone is interested in joining and helping, please reach out to us at [MayfairNeighbors@gmail.com](mailto:MayfairNeighbors@gmail.com).

As a reminder, for anyone interested in joining the Mayfair Neighbors, Inc. board, please join us at our monthly meetings. They are held the first Monday of each month (with the exception of major holidays) and we meet at the East Montclair Community Center, located at 6740 E. Colfax Ave., at the corner of Colfax and Newport. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. and last for approximately an hour and a half. Hope to see you there!

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# Easter: Not a week from heaven for church neighbors

By: Todd Parker, MNI Board Member

Early this year, World Mission Church leaders met with Denver's appointed mediator, Steve Charbonneau, city officials and Mayfair neighborhood representatives over a long-running dispute between the church, its members and the church's neighbors.

World Mission Church sits on the corner of Eighth and Holly. Neighbors have complained about church-goers double parking outside the church, dumping trash on their lawns, parking in front of their driveways and more. Some have accused the church of allowing members to live there, which is against zoning.

The objective of mediation between the groups was twofold: (1) agree on a list of actions the church will take to resolve neighborhood complaints, and (2) determine how the church will be held accountable for its actions, and what the repercussions will be if they don't. In general, the church committed to the following:

- To provide contact information for three individuals at the church who will respond quickly to any concerns for problems around the church;
- Designate three parking attendants who have a specific list of responsibilities;
- Post signs at all exits reminding members and visitors to act in ways that are respectful to neighbors;
- Investigate nearby parking the church could rent;
- Try to hold multi-church events at a different, larger location;
- Provide additional training for children attendants and possibly add attendants.

The city of Denver committed to increase parking violation enforcement. All parties agreed to allow a designated drop-off area in front of the church on Holly Street to discourage church patrons from double parking



*World Mission Church congregants parked illegally in the bus stop on Ninth, between Holly and Ivanhoe.*



*Visitors to the church parked illegally.*



*Visitors to the church parked on the sidewalk.*

to let people out. Things seemed to be going in a positive direction until the perfect storm arrived...literally.

For Easter weekend, the church planned several multi-church events at the Eighth and Holly location. The crowds were huge. Some estimates ran as high as 1,500 people packed in the church. Roads were jammed with cars for five to six blocks from the church in all directions. That's when the snowstorm hit. Church members' cars got stuck, car and bus traffic was blocked and Holly Street was a mess of drivers in the middle of the road trying to drop off and pick up passengers.

Since Easter, things have not gotten better for direct neighbors of the church, many would say worse. Large crowds come to the church nearly every night. Cars are parked illegally, blocking driveways and sidewalks. Church members exit late at night waking up neighbors and leaving litter in the road and in neighbors' yards.

People are seen coming and going with suitcases, making people question if they are staying overnight.

What can be done? The church has given lip service to the action plan they agreed too. Crowds continue to grow with little or no supervision from church leadership. Most church members do not live in Mayfair and this physical disassociation seems to be exacerbated by their exclusory attitude. Many neighbors think the city is not doing enough. Short of the church leaving or getting shut down; however, real change must come from church leadership and membership. Love (respect) thy neighbor is not just a verse from the Bible...it's a basic virtue of urban life.

# Mayfair's Annual Garage Sale is Saturday, June 11

By Anna Delphia, MNI Board Member

It is finally spring. The flowers and trees are in bloom. The smell of grass is in the air and it's time for the Mayfair Neighbors Annual Garage Sale on Saturday, June 11, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Whether you have been waiting all year to sell items that are gathering dust in your home or are looking for something that you've been wanting but didn't want to pay retail, there is no better time to find what you are looking for.

Mayfair Neighbors will promote Mayfair's garage sale on Nextdoor, the Mayfair Neighbors Facebook page and our website at [www.mayfairdenver.org](http://www.mayfairdenver.org). We will send out a reminder email to our members prior to the yard sale promoting the event. We also will canvass the neighborhood with yard sale signs a week in advance of the June 11 date. They will be placed on corners throughout Mayfair. For those of you interested in getting a yard sale sign for your yard please send us an email at [mayfairneighbors@gmail.com](mailto:mayfairneighbors@gmail.com). Please include your name, phone number and address. We have a limited number of signs, so first come first served. The earlier you sign up, the better chance a sign will be



available for you to use. A week prior to our sale, you will be contacted about where you can pick up your sign.

If you are a current member of Mayfair Neighbors, you can borrow the sign for free and we will pick the sign up from you by the end of the week following the yard sale, or you can return it to where you picked up the sign. We will notify you where you can pick up the sign once we receive your email, phone and address information.

If you want to join Mayfair Neighbors, the annual fee is \$15. If you purchase an annual membership prior to receiving the sign, or on the day you pick up the sign, you will have the same benefits as the members listed above. If you want a sign and prefer not to join, we will take a deposit of \$15 at the time you pick up the sign. If you return the sign within a week, you will receive your \$15 deposit back.

Here are some tips to help you have a killer yard sale:

## Promote, promote, promote

Promote your yard sale on Craigslist, Facebook, Nextdoor, Instagram and Twitter. Post pictures of some of your larger items a week in advance. Several items may sell before the yard sale. Make sure signs are placed around your neighborhood.

## Place large items in front of your yard sale

You have about three seconds as a car drives by to make a good first impression. Either they will stop or they will keep on driving. By placing all of your large items out front, you are telling the driver/shopper that you have awesome stuff and lots of it.

## Have plenty of dollar bills and spare change

Keep plenty of small bills on hand so you can give change on the spot. You do not want them leaving to get money because it could mean a loss of the sale.

## Have a free pile

Place a large well-marked "free pile" right out front. The lure of something free will get almost any driver to stop. Free stuff is just enough temptation to get the

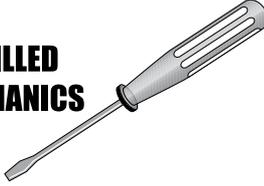
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shopper out of their car. Also, people usually feel bad stopping and just taking something for free. They will typically find something to buy once they get out of their car and look around.

### Join forces

To have a really successful yard sale you need to have lots of stuff. That might mean pooling items from several neighbors into one sale. The more stuff you have sitting out, the better your chances that people will pull over and shop.

### Price to sell

Having a yard sale is the last-ditch effort to make some cash on stuff you are probably going to donate. If it doesn't sell, you will get nothing for it, so price it low. A quarter is better than getting nothing when donating it to Goodwill. If you want to make big bucks off your stuff and sell it for what it's worth, list it on eBay or Craigslist. Yard sales are for getting rid of the small stuff.

### Put prices on everything

If you want your stuff to sell, put a price tag on it! Most people won't ask how much something is. They will just set it back down and move on. It takes extra time and energy to price everything, but it is worth it.

### Keep your space organized

Organization is key when hosting a yard sale. As people shop corral similar items closer together. Move shelves closer to the front of the yard as you run out of items. Keep your area clean and tidy.

### Use bags to contain sets

Plastic bags are a garage sale host's best friend. Ziploc bags are a great way to keep items with multiple pieces together. For extra-large items, you can purchase extra-large Ikea bags or Ziploc bags or you can use reusable grocery sacks that are clearly labeled with a black Sharpie. All large bagged items typically sell faster.

### Display like items together

The harder you try to keep like items together, the more you will sell. Have an area for bags, kids' stuff, kitchen stuff, home decor, books, furniture, clothes and shoes.

### Clearly label items

Use masking tape and a Sharpie to label the contents of bags and baskets.

Mayfair's neighborhood garage sale is a fun way to meet new and old neighbors. Whether you are going to have a yard sale or are interested in shopping the sales, we hope you take advantage of Mayfair neighborhood's annual garage sale.

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# Mayfair neighborhood 4th of July Parade

By Shawna Olsen, MNI Board Member

Although Spring is just peeking its head out, it is already time to plan for our Mayfair 4th of July Parade. Last year was another great success and we are hoping more families will join us this year. Please mark your calendars for Monday, July 4, at 8:30 a.m. to start the festivities. Have your kids decorate their bike, trike, scooter or wagon at home and then come ride around Mayfair Park to the cheers of all the Parade watchers. Even if you don't have a bike to decorate, come celebrate with your neighbors. Afterward, join us for some refreshments, games, face-painting and, of course, playing on our great playground.



The 2015 Fourth of July Bike Parade makes its way around Mayfair Park.

## Get involved

As with all great events, it takes volunteers to help make it a success. If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Cathie Wilson at 303-297-

3629 or [cathie\\_wilson@hotmail.com](mailto:cathie_wilson@hotmail.com), or Dawn Gillard at 303-320-0474 or [murphy1300@gmail.com](mailto:murphy1300@gmail.com). We are always looking for families of young children to continue to keep this tradition going in the future!

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## Copper Door attracts attention of lifestyle blog

By Todd Parker, MNI Board Member

Discovering unique finds in your own neighborhood is fun and rewarding. Sharing unique finds with others is the passion of Reeanna Lynn and Alyson Marie, two Mayfair residents who founded a blog named Eloquence Denver. What's a blog? A blog (or weblog) is a regularly updated Web page that conveys the thoughts of the author. It's like an online journal.

In the case of Eloquence Denver, an online blog was a natural way for Reeanna and Alyson to represent the things they love about their city. Reeanna has a background in journalism and Alyson has a background in photography. The pair strives to capture the charm of local businesses and events and share their inspirations with readers. Visitors to [www.eloquencedenver.com](http://www.eloquencedenver.com) will be treated to stylish descriptions of fashion, finds and happenings in Denver along with striking photographs that visually transport you to the scene.

Here's what the blog had to say about local Mayfair coffee hang out, The Copper Door:

"Alyson and I have always been advocates for businesses with unique charm – and even bigger advocates for a good cup of coffee.

As we are both new moms, we often find ourselves searching out places we can go to still feel like an adult even when bringing our little ones along.

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*Art Gym Denver helps Mayfair neighbors get creative.*

## Art Gym Denver redefines how art gets done

*By Jean Bolling, MNI Board Member*

Tucked around the corner off of Colfax Avenue and Leyden Street, you may have seen the beautiful remodel of an old building on the East side of the street. You may have also seen the name, Art Gym, and wondered what it might be. Art Gym Denver is a gem for both the Mayfair neighborhood and all of the surrounding areas. Opened seven months ago, the Art Gym is the labor of love of a husband and wife team from Park Hill, who

founded this new concept for all artists and creative-minded folks in the Denver area. The founders prefer to keep their names out of print, solely to keep the focus on the Art Gym and the art being created there.

Art Gym Denver evokes the concept of a gym, where you typically go to access a wide array of equipment to keep yourself in physical shape. The Art Gym is similar in that it provides the tools artists need to stay in creative shape. Many of the tools needed to create art are very expensive, so Art Gym Denver provides those tools to



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It is for this reason we were so happy to come across Mayfair’s coffee shop, Copper Door. With in-store roasted coffee, a welcoming staff and characteristic shabby chic décor – complete with a small children’s play area – we couldn’t have asked for a better place to indulge in our morning espresso.

It is also located across the street from Mayfair Park, so if you do happen to have impatient little ones, you can get your coffee (along with some hot chocolate for the babes) and enjoy it outside where everyone will be happy.

Copper Door is a neighborhood delight that deserves a visit, because coffee is always a good idea.”

Reeanna and Alyson hope to one day expand their blog to other cities. As Reeanna describes, “We want more than anything to use Eloquence as a way to represent the fashion, finds and happenings of cities in an artistic and eloquent light.” For now, we get to selfishly enjoy Eloquence’s focus on Mayfair, a neighborhood Reeanna and Alyson are happy to call home.

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the community for a very reasonable fee. It also provides the space to foster community and build professional and personal relationships.

I met with Michael Keen, program director at the Art Gym and an artist himself. Keen shared that the building itself was originally built in the early 1950s as a Safeway grocery store. Over the years it has been a car dealership and utilities maintenance garage. The Art Gym Café and Gallery are open to the public. The remainder of the space is reserved for members. The building was redesigned by architect Mark Hoskins, whose goal with the founders was to return the building to its warehouse beginnings but with a modernized approach.

**Exhibit rotation**

The building is a combination of functional space and beautiful surroundings. The gallery, which is open to the public, is the first space you see. The Emerging Print show is the current exhibit of area university artists. The goal for the Gallery is quite aggressive: to rotate exhibitions every three weeks. In this way more artists will get their work seen and the more frequent rotation helps build the stature of the gallery as well.

The Café features the work of Art Gym’s culinary

arts department. The culinary department provides a variety of sweet and savory snacks. The day I was there, the café was selling peppered goat cheese and Asian plum popovers (I took one home – amazing!). The café features products from local companies. The coffee comes from Mayfair’s own Copper Door Coffee Roasters and Method Roasters. Teas come from Tealulia. Lucilles Artisans and Confections provides the snacks that vary every day.

Next to the Café, the commissary kitchen is visible through a glass wall. It houses Art Gym’s culinary arts space and is a fully licensed facility. Currently, Baba & Pop’s Handmade Pierogi, WongWayVeg and Dead Dog Chocolate (a bean to bar company) operate from this facility.

After touring the public areas, Keen moved our tour to the membership side, which Keen described as “their maker’s space.” The first room is 3,000 square feet (the entire building is 17,000 square feet) and is dedicated to the print arts. The print arts, I learned, include: lithography and processing room, etching and plate creation room, Intaglio and presses, and Planographic.

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Shelby is impressed. “To see someone who started with zero knowledge and is now achieving her goals, it’s incredible. I may have helped along the way, but if she hadn’t made the first step to come in, none of this would have been possible.”

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As we moved through this space, he shared that each space has its own processing room with state-of-the-art equipment.

There's also a silk screen area, which has a separate processing room with the tools of the trade, and a general work space, where someone could be writing a book, working on graphic art on their laptop or designing on paper. Messier projects are relegated to the sculpture studio. This space is in the southeast portion of the building and has garage style doors that can be opened to let out dust or allow artists to work on the gravel area just outside the room.

Members can use the Movement Space for yoga, ballet, hip hop, Greek, Qoya and more. It features full mirrors that can be opened or closed, a sprung dance floor to absorb shock, and a Bose sound system for superior sound. The room is kept at 40 percent humidity to ensure the specially designed floor remains springy and fresh.

The Metalsmith and Lapidary area is for jewelry makers and those who need to cut and polish stone. This space is where light manufacturing occurs, including use of power tools, soldering and use of explosive gases that individual artists could not have at home due to rental agreements or insurance costs. Here at the Art Gym, they can have access to \$30,000 worth of tools for \$3/hour.

There is a Polish and Grind Studio that is sound-proof for the comfort of the other members. It contains a variety of tools of the trade. A shop steward, who is an educator at Arapahoe Community College and has 40 years of jewelry-making experience, maintains the equipment so it stays in great working condition for the members.

Upstairs is the mezzanine. The area did not exist in the original space and was specially designed to be an open, beautiful, creative area that fosters community among members. It has everything someone would want for a home studio. There's a preparatory area with an Epson full color printer, among other items. The open space contains drawing tables that are free for members' use. Members can rent powerful computers for \$2 to \$6 per hour that are loaded with Adobe Creative Suite.

### Accessible and approachable art

A goal at the Art Gym is to make everything very accessible and approachable by charging low hourly rates for an extensive array of tools, equipment, computers with necessary software and the space needed to conduct art or business.

The mezzanine also includes the management team's kiosks, a painting and drawing studio and a resource library, that is stocked with donated books and supplies that members can check out. "There are some out of print books here that are amazing and all available to the member," said Keen. Right around the corner from the Resource Library is an upper lounge designed to foster community among members.

As we completed our tour, I asked Keen about his background. He's been an artist for years but has also been a business builder. He and the management team look to systems and sustainable methods to grow the Art Gym and be successful for the people choosing to be members there. They also have the opportunity to be boundary pushers and adapt as necessary to the needs of the community. They continue to pay a lot of attention to how their members use the space.

The Art Gym is a great addition to our neighborhood and the surrounding area. Take the time to walk into the Art Gym and view the current gallery. Try something from the café or, better yet, purchase a bag of their in-house made pierogi (I chose green chile) to take home and enjoy. You won't be disappointed!

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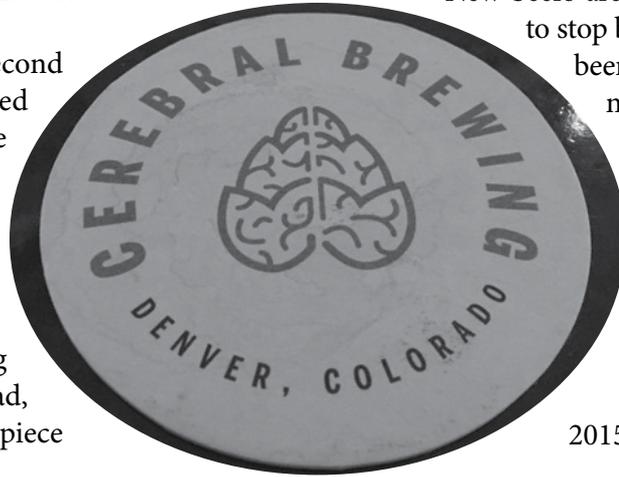
By Chris Ringwood, MNI Board Member

In early May, I made my second trip to Cerebral Brewing, located at the corner of Colfax Avenue and Monroe Street (across from Sprouts). Strolling up at 9:15 p.m. on a Tuesday night, I expected to be one of a small handful of people quietly sipping beers and closing down for the night. Instead, I was greeted by a seven-piece bluegrass band (Meadow Mountain) and about 30 to 40 other people enjoying the music, beer and camaraderie.

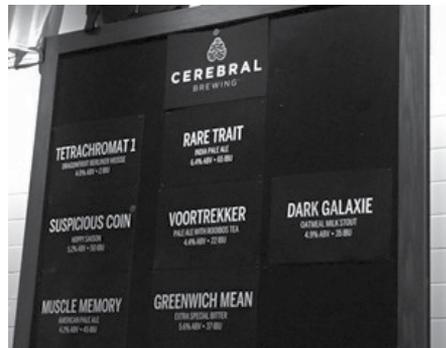
The place was hopping (pun intended). As I sit at the bar, I am approached by a large bearded, jean jacket-vested, fully tattooed man who asked if he could help me. Ryan, the bartender, is an incredibly friendly and happy guy. We chatted for a while about beer, Denver growth and overcrowding, Portland, etc...

Ryan explained that Cerebral has four constant beers on tap and a revolving rotation of brewmaster creations. Of the constants, Rare Trait is a floral IPA with not too much bitterness. Muscle Memory is a classic pale ale – like Coors or Bud but with a little extra flavor. Known Entity is a dry brown ale, and Dark Galaxie is a dark delicious oatmeal stout. The stout is fantastic if, like me, you enjoy the sweet burnt taste of dark beers. I tend to shy away from IPAs, but tried one anyway (market research) and was pleasantly surprised at the lack of bite and bitterness.

The rotational brews included Tetrachromat 1 (Berliner weisse), Suspicious Coin (Saison/farmhouse ale), Greenwich Mean (bitter) and Voortrekker (pale ale – somewhere in between an IPA and a regular pale ale).



*The brewery itself is somewhat sparsely, but tactfully, decorated with fun chemistry equipment, books and several biology-class skeletons.*



*Meadow Mountain, a bluegrass band, entertains the crowd at Cerebral Brewing.*

New beers are released on Fridays, so be sure to stop by on the weekend to try the new beers before they run out. A pint set me back \$6, which is a bit steep; however, it seems as if it's the common trend around town. They also sell \$10 'Crawlers,' which are 32-ounce cans of Cerebral that they can locally in store – a much better bargain, but you can't open it in store.

Cerebral opened in November 2015 in the open, airy, industrial building that is adjacent to Humble Pie and the new Chow Urban Grill. The brewery itself is somewhat sparsely, but tactfully, decorated with fun chemistry equipment, books and several biology-class skeletons. A

large wall is lined with encyclopedia articles and a garage door opens to the outdoor patio space. The staff mentioned that they haven't received many complaints from the residential neighbors on Monroe Street, perhaps because they close down by 10 p.m. Parking was a little difficult on the crowded street (there are about eight spaces for the three establishments, which fill up quickly).

I struck up a few fun conversations with strangers and enjoyed listening to the bluegrass while sampling several tasty beer types and utilizing the free Wi-Fi. With a new events manager, they may be adding additional activities/themed events like Bluegrass Thursdays, which I think would be good to create more buzz. Even without, Cerebral is a

great place to visit that's less than five minutes away!

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# Popular ceramic and art studio moves to Mayfair

By Todd Parker, MNI Board Member

Who isn't amazed when they see pottery come out of the kiln. Seeing the burst of color and smooth texture you can't believe it's the same piece you put in. Now Mayfair residents can experience the fun and creativity of pottery, glass art and painting right in our backyard at Ceramics in the City. Co-owners Sharon Scholl and Stephanie Magennis – a mother/daughter team – have moved their popular studio to Colfax, between Forest and Glencoe, and you'll find it a welcome addition to the Mayfair activity scene.

Pottery painting is a major focus of Ceramics in the City. One entire wall is lined with shelves of naked pottery...plates, bowls, mugs, frames and more. You design and decorate your pottery with the studio's huge selection of paints, stamps and stencils. Your design can be totally your own or you can get inspiration from the studio's idea books.

"Painting is therapeutic and relaxing," says Scholl, "our friendly staff will teach you how to use the materials



*Ceramics in the City owners Sharon Scholl (left) and Stephanie Magennis offer a wide variety of pottery and glassware to decorate at their Colfax location.*

*The ceramics studio has three kilns.*



and provide creative encouragement if needed." Pottery prices range from \$10 to \$65.

Glass fusing is another big activity at Ceramics in the City. Choose a blank piece of "base" glass then decorate it with layers of colored glass. The result is a unique mosaic of glass that can take many shapes, including bowls, candle votives and jewelry. Current glass fusing favorites are colorful garden stakes for adults and night lights for kids. Prices range from \$12 to \$52 for glass fusing pieces.

Other fun projects include adult coloring books and canvas painting. The "coloring books" are actually ceramic plates or other pottery printed with intricate designs. Customers can then meticulously paint the designs to be kiln fired into decorative art. Traditional canvas painting is also available for those who want to really test their artistic abilities. Magennis is always designing new activities. "I love to see people have fun," she said.

Kids' birthday parties are always big at Ceramics in the City. Party goes 6 and up can participate in all activities at the studio. The party comes complete with all of the art supplies needed for the kiddos' own creations, plus balloons.

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# Denver Public Schools SchoolChoice – Part II

By Sara Visser, MNI Board Member



In the last issue of the Mayfair Mirror, (Denver Public Schools SchoolChoice – a primer) we dove into the basics of the Denver Public Schools' (DPS) SchoolChoice Initiative – we discussed what it is, why it was established and provided some definitions to help guide you. We also offered some good “first steps” when beginning this sometimes overwhelming and oh-so-important process.

If you missed the article or would like to refresh your memory, check it out on the MNI website – [mayfairdenver.org](http://mayfairdenver.org). Part I of the article is on pages 8-10 in the Spring 2016 issue of The Mirror.

## A quick review

Round 1 of SchoolChoice for the 2016-17 school year is complete and Round 2 is currently underway. If

your student choiced into one of their top picks during Round 1, congratulations! You are all set for the fall.

If your student is waitlisted for their top choice(s), they still have a spot at the local, neighborhood boundary school. However, if

your student choiced into and was accepted at another school during Round 1 of SchoolChoice, their position at the local school is no longer guaranteed. The choice school becomes the “home school” where the student has an assured spot. If, at a later date, the student wants to return to their boundary school, the student must complete a SchoolChoice form to be eligible.

Much of this information is available online at [dpsk12.org](http://dpsk12.org). If you're not finding what you're looking for online, I have found that voice messages left at DPS are usually promptly and cheerfully returned. Don't hesitate to reach out to them at 720-423-3493 or call individual schools directly – each has a website easily found with a simple online search.

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“Kids are so surprised when they see their pottery after it has been fired...they can't believe they made it,” Scholl said. You can also bring your own cake, snacks and refreshments.

After retiring from a 35-year career at Hewlett Packard, Scholl helped a friend open a ceramics studio in Longmont. Sharon enjoyed the experience so much she later approached her daughter Magennis about opening a studio in Denver. Comfortably employed in commercial lighting design, Magennis was tentative about a new venture, but her mother was persuasive. The new studio opened in 2003 in Denver's Uptown neighborhood and the pair never looked back.

Scholl is responsible for accounting and inventory and Magennis spearheads operations and design. Both women interact with customers and insure a professional, comfortable atmosphere. Manager Megan Hervey and five other employees round out the incredible team at Ceramics in the City.

Ceramics in the City is located at 5214 E. Colfax Ave., next to Liberty Tax Services. Phone: 303-200-0461. Ceramics in the City is open seven days a week, Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; and Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. [www.ceramicsinthecity.com](http://www.ceramicsinthecity.com). Check out their extensive selection of kids' summer classes.

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## School Choice Round 2

We talked a bit about Round 2 in Part I, but it is worth repeating here, with more detail.

Newcomers to Denver, read this! If you moved to Denver from outside the DPS boundary after Feb. 1, 2016, do not participate in Round 2. DPS wants you to call 720-423-3493 or email [schoolchoice@dpsk12.org](mailto:schoolchoice@dpsk12.org) right away to discuss your options regarding the “New to Denver” SchoolChoice process.

### Round 2 is for families who:

- Missed Round 1 and would like to change their student’s school for the 2016-17 school year.
- Have changed their mind about their preferred schools since submitting a Round 1 form.
- Are current Denver residents but will be new to DPS.

### Round 2 is not for families who:

- Are happy with their student’s school placement following Round 1. You do not need to participate in Round 2. Get ready for the school year.
- Have a student who was wait-listed at a school in Round 1. DPS asks that you do not submit a Round 2 form to the same school, as your student already has a spot on the school’s list.

Download Round 2 forms for Early Childhood Education (ECE), Kindergarten and Grades 1-12 at [schoolchoice.dpsk12.org/how-to-enroll-in-a-school/schoolchoice-forms/](http://schoolchoice.dpsk12.org/how-to-enroll-in-a-school/schoolchoice-forms/)

For the best possible outcome on Round 2, DPS says:

- Current DPS students must submit a Round 2 SchoolChoice form directly to each requested school(s) now through Aug. 31, 2016.
- Forms received by mail, fax or email will not be processed.
- Current Denver residents who are new to DPS for 2016-17 must submit a Round 2 SchoolChoice form and the DPS pre-enrollment form, student’s birth certificate and proof of residence. All documents should be submitted to the requested school(s).
- A separate SchoolChoice form must be submitted to each school requested. There is no limit to the number of schools to which a Round 2 form is submitted, unlike Round 1, where the limit is five.
- Round 2 SchoolChoice forms are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no lottery involved and no priorities are given. If the school has available space for the 2016-17 school year at the time you submit your form, your student will be approved and enrolled for next year. If a wait-list exists, your student will be added to the list in date and time order.
- Round 2 notification is immediate. The school to which you submit your form can inform you if there is space available or if your student will be placed on a wait-list. Letters are not sent from our office.
- If you are accepted to a school in Round 2, your Round 1 school assignment is relinquished. Wait-list positions are not affected.

If you’re beginning your SchoolChoice adventure this fall in preparation for the 2017-18 school year (or beyond), make sure you know the appropriate deadlines. Avoid the pit-in-your-stomach-feeling when you realize the Round 1 deadline is Friday and you’ve only seen one of the three schools you’re interested in. Stay on top of it and stay sane. Check in regularly with the DPS or individual school websites or call schools directly.

Before touring, you’ll first want to prioritize which schools best fit your needs (we talked about this at length in Part I) and then check the school website for tour and open house schedules.

The ‘Great School Enrollment Guide’ is a wonderful place to start reviewing schools. Download it at <http://>

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schoolchoice.dpsk12.org/enrollment-guide/ in English or Spanish or check with your local school for a hard copy.

**School tours and open houses**

School tours are usually held at least weekly and generally begin in early autumn – after the frenzy of the new school year has calmed a bit. Most schools hold at least one Open House before the Round 1 deadline, which is usually in late January. I suggest you also attend a PTA meeting, if possible, to get a feel for the school community.

Paula Aven Gladych, PTA President at Palmer Elementary, mother of a 3rd grader and also editor of The Mirror, has led dozens of tours and probably fielded every question a prospective family can think of. Here's her Top 10 List of Questions to ask during your tour(s) - you may have your own to add:

- What is your average class size? If it is larger than average, do you have paraprofessionals in the classroom to help keep order?
- How does the school deal with children who need extra help or require more challenging work?
- What is the curriculum and how is it delivered?
- What role does technology play at your school?
- In this world of high stakes testing, how is your school rising to the challenge?

- What services are offered at the school? Do you have a speech therapist, occupational therapist, nurse, literacy specialists, autism room etc...?
- Does this school offer before and after school care? Who runs it?
- What types of enrichment programs are offered during and after school?
- How involved is the PTA and what types of events do they hold?
- What makes your school different and special from the rest?

When reviewing the answers, compare them with your top priorities and look for those schools that match most closely. Ask yourself, "What is most important for my student and my family? Does this school seem to meet or exceed my expectations?"

Remember, the most highly "rated" school may look good on paper, but ask yourself, "will it actually be the best option for my student and family day-to-day?" A relative "sleeper" school may work beautifully for your student, so I strongly encourage you to consider schools of all types.

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According to Aven Gladych, “Once you’ve choiced into a school and are there a year you are there until you want to change or until it is time to move up (to middle or high school). When you change schools the process starts all over again.”

However, you must apply each year for preschool and kindergarten, even if your child is currently attending a Denver Public Schools ECE program.

### Early Childhood Education - Preschool

To find a great ECE program for your child, start by visiting [dpp.org](http://dpp.org) and [earlyeducation.dpsk12.org/about-preschool-2](http://earlyeducation.dpsk12.org/about-preschool-2) for loads of resources. Remember that if you have a 4-year-old, you may qualify for tuition support, so you should absolutely complete an application for the Denver Preschool Program (found on the website). According to the DPP website, “Since voters approved the Denver Preschool Program in 2006 and renewed in 2014, DPP has invested over \$67,000 million in tuition support and nearly \$10 million in quality improvement into the community.”

### Advanced Kindergarten/Gifted & Talented application and testing dates

If you and/or your pediatrician suspect your child may qualify for Advanced Kindergarten and/or Gifted and Talented (G & T) programming, this will affect

which schools you consider for SchoolChoice, as only some schools offer these programs. What is “giftedness” you ask? Check Part I of our story or [gt.dpsk12.org](http://gt.dpsk12.org) for general descriptions.

DPS accepts applications for and then schedules testing for students to be formally designated to these programs in the autumn prior to the applicable school year (for example, testing for the fall 2017/2018 year will be completed in the winter of 2016).

As of this writing, application and testing dates for Advanced Kindergarten and Gifted & Talented are not final. DPS says firm dates will be published after the school year ends – in June or July. These deadlines tend to sneak up, so check [gt.dpsk12.org](http://gt.dpsk12.org) or call 720-423-2056 regularly for accurate and up-to-date information.

Submission dates for Advanced Kindergarten and Gifted & Talented programs for the 2017/2018 school year typically begin after the frenzy of the new school year has calmed. Applications will be accepted (tentatively) beginning Oct. 7, 2016. Testing for admission to these programs typically begins mid-November and goes through mid-December, depending up how many applications are received.

Again, make a note on your calendar to check the website ([gt.dpsk12.org](http://gt.dpsk12.org)) as it is constantly being updated.

### Preference?

Some of you may be wondering “if my student choices into ECE, does she have a better chance of choicing in for Kindergarten?” or “Is there any preferential treatment when determining who will choice in?” While I have frequently heard that the process is a random lottery (and it is supposed to be), I have also heard rumblings to the opposite – that certain schools sometimes give favored treatment.

I suppose the truth is somewhere in between, depending on the school. However, it is common practice that if a child has already choiced into a school, siblings are given priority to that school, which makes sense. As for anything beyond that, I have no concrete evidence.

I say, stay positive, go for your top choice(s) with an open mind and heart, ask lots of questions and talk with other families who are in or have gone through the process. With all of the wonderful DPS school options, good things are sure to follow.

If you have suggestions/ideas/comments/questions, join the conversation. Write a Letter to the Editor at [mayfairneighbors@gmail.com](mailto:mayfairneighbors@gmail.com) for possible publication in The Mirror or add a post to the Mayfair Neighbors Facebook page - [facebook.com/MayfairNeighborsInc](https://www.facebook.com/MayfairNeighborsInc).



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# Palmer Elementary's wine tasting and auction huge success

By Jill Eleson, Palmer parent



April 22 marked the Third annual Uncorked! event for Palmer Elementary. Uncorked! A Tasting Event and Fundraiser is a fun evening every year, and this one did not disappoint. Several members of the PTA created this event three years ago as a way to raise important money for our neighborhood elementary school and its success has continued to grow each year.

Through generous contributions, ticket sales, wine wall participation, wine sales and silent auction purchases, more than \$4,000 was raised to fund A/V equipment that will support community-building activities at Palmer. Final dollars raised have not been fully realized yet, since the portion of wine sales Palmer receives will be calculated once all wine orders have been picked up and paid for.

Palmer Elementary PTA partners with Mayfair Liquors each year for the event, which donates 20 percent of all wine sales back to the school. They have provided great vendors each year that bring in all varieties of wines, beer and spirits to delight your palate and inspire you to stock up for the summer patio sipping season. Their participation is greatly appreciated.

Many thanks go to The Seasoned Chef, which donated all the food for the event. They prepared delicious dishes and tasty desserts that complemented the tasting well. Located right here in our neighborhood, they are a great cooking school with fantastic classes for kids and adults.

This year's event was hosted right here in the neighborhood as well. Avenue 8 kindly allowed us to hold the event in their lovely lobby area, just as they did for the Mayfair Wine Tasting event back in September. It is so nice to have businesses in our neighborhood with open doors that are willing to be part of our community events.

Several sponsors, donors and people helped make the event a success and deserve a big thank you from Palmer as well. First, the event planning committee of Jill Laflen, Erin Van Remortel, Jodie Albert and Andrea Atkinson deserves a huge round of applause for coordinating an excellent event that has raised a significant amount of money for Palmer. In addition, thanks goes to Continuum Partners, one of our largest event sponsors, the many generous donors to the silent auction and

wine wall, and the numerous volunteers who assisted in making this event happen.

Besides just tasting, the event included a wine wall ring toss and silent auction. It was fun to see who could ring a bottle of wine to take home and those who put on a good show. The silent auction included baskets with fishing gear and tackle, date night goodies, spa treatments, rainy day kids' fun, artisan cooking, essential oils and more. Wine orders placed at the event for a case or more were entered into a drawing to win four tickets to the Colorado Rockies. Our winner was Fred Van Remortel. Congrats and enjoy the game!

Uncorked! is a fun evening that provides the opportunity to strengthen ties between Palmer parents, staff and the community, all while raising money for a good cause. It is not just for Palmer parents and staff. Anyone in the community is welcome. So look for advertising about it next Spring and grab your tickets to the next Uncorked! event. You don't want to miss it!

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# The city needs to build, maintain Denver's sidewalks

By Eric Banner, a Mayfair Neighbor



Have you ever tried to walk with your young children to Safeway or King Soopers and wondered how to keep everyone safe along the way? I have. And I've been wondering how we ended up with the configuration of sidewalks we do throughout our neighborhood.

**Banner** Mayfair turns out to fall just along the line dividing the part of Denver built out when full size sidewalks were common and when they weren't.

From Holly west there are traditional sidewalks, with a tree lawn between the full width sidewalk and the street. From Holly east most of our sidewalks are just curb extensions, wide enough only for a single person to walk on them at a time and very close to the busy traffic along streets like 13th and 14th. Not only that, but these "sidewalks" have curbs that make it easy and common for cars to pull up on them, blocking pedestrian traffic entirely. And in front of my house on Monaco there's no sidewalk at all, even though the blocks north of us have them, forcing everyone from the mail carrier to the bus riders to walk on the grass.

We're still dealing with the fallout from poor pedestrian

planning decisions made in the '40s, '50s and '60s when developers thought that the rise of cars meant no one needed to walk anywhere. As our city continues to grow, there's just no room to add streets, but there is room to make our city and our neighborhood walkable. The only question is how.

The Americans with Disabilities Act says that sidewalks should be 5 feet wide and separated from the street to ensure that pedestrians are safe, or 6 feet wide if they are adjacent to the curb. Imagine if we had these kinds of sidewalks throughout Mayfair. You could walk with someone you love, holding hands without someone being in the street or on the grass. Our kids could ride their bikes to their friends' houses on the sidewalks without worrying about getting hit by cars.

Right now the City Council is considering changes to find out what could be done to ensure safe, consistent sidewalks throughout the city. Just like our streets and sewers. Right now it's the responsibility of the property owner to maintain (or build) this basic civic infrastructure. One option would be for the city to add a fee to something like our water bill, the same way we pay for storm sewer service, and have the city take over building and maintaining sidewalks. This is what Englewood and Westminster already do. Or we could have a sales tax like Boulder to pay for things like roads and sidewalks.

I recently sat down with Councilwoman Mary Beth Susman, who said the Council is working on it. She said she, too, wants better sidewalks in the neighborhoods that want better sidewalks. She also told me that Councilman Paul Kashmann is leading a working group to find solutions. You can find out more and get involved by visiting: [www.walkdenver.org](http://www.walkdenver.org). And maybe, in the not-too-distant-future you can walk to the grocery store with your children safely separated from traffic.

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# Recreational marijuana regulation

By Councilwoman Mary Beth Susman



**Susman** Much has been made in the press over the last few months about Denver's approach to regulating marijuana. One of the biggest sticking points was over pending applications. When Denver first passed our regulations in 2013 we instituted a two-year moratorium on new recreational pot shops. In order to have a recreational shop you had to have a medical marijuana shop in good standing as of October 2013 and convert this medical shop to a recreational shop.

Many players in the industry believed the moratorium would expire on Jan. 1 of this year and started making preparations to open new recreational marijuana businesses, spending tens of thousands of dollars in the process, with the expectation they would be able to open these new businesses after the moratorium was lifted. In the fall of 2015, the Mayor's Office of Marijuana Policy announced it would seek a two-year extension of this moratorium. Some of us on Council felt that a policy decision such as this should be handled by the legislative branch, as we were the ones who crafted the original laws, and so Council took over the question of whether to extend the moratorium.

On April 25, after Council had met weekly over three months to discuss and debate potential future regulations, we passed new regulations plotting a course for marijuana businesses in Denver. We included provisions that mandate attrition on marijuana grow facilities, require a community outreach plan for pot shops, specify distance requirements for how close a marijuana facility can be to a school, and placed caps on certain, saturated neighborhoods and for the city as a whole. Our updated regulations also allow for all the current pending applications to be processed.

To me, allowing the pending applications to be processed was key. Never before has Denver changed laws for an industry and not allowed a grandfathering option for those who followed the previous law carefully. If we are to be considered a fair city for industry we must apply the standards of fairness to this new industry. To me this meant allowing the pending applications to be processed. In the end there was sufficient support to do just that.

We set other limits on the number and location of new sites that will ratchet down not only the number of facilities, but help with the saturation in some neighborhoods.

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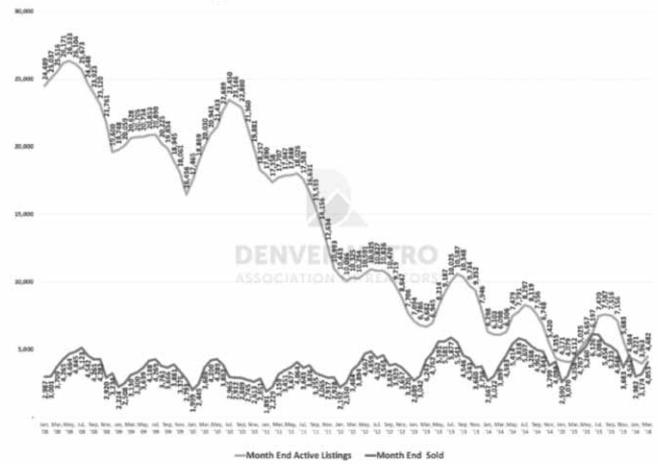
By David Bromberg, a Mayfair Neighbor

In the last issue of The Real Estate Market, I mentioned that our low inventory is the main cause of our escalating home prices. It is said that a picture is worth a thousand words, and our current lack of supply, coupled with our strong demand, is worth thousands of dollars in increased home values.

The chart shows the metro activity for the past eight years. The upper line is the number of monthly active listings and the lower line is the number of monthly sold listings. It is easy to see the annual cycle of increased activity into the summer months followed by decreased activity as we go into the winter. What is startling is the steady decline in active listings year over year. The number of sold homes has increased a bit year over year, which is to be expected because of our steady population increase. We are at a point where we have approximately one month of inventory that indicates a very strong sellers' market (six months of inventory is said to be neutral).

The table below shows 11 years of activity for Mayfair area detached homes to (Sixth Avenue to Colfax Avenue, Colorado Boulevard to Monaco Parkway). Average price is up 10 percent, and days on market is down 14 percent!

Month End Active Listings and Month End Sold Homes



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We had similar increases in 2014 over 2013.

It is too early to forecast how the full year 2016 will shake out but demand is currently strong and interest rates are stable in the 4 percent range. Rent rates have been increasing, which makes homeownership a viable alternative for many. For the period January-April of this year, numbers are up slightly but the days on market are down considerably compared to the same period last year. The fundamentals in Denver point to another strong year. The pundits say our average sales price should go up 7-8 percent this year.

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Year	# Sold	Avg sold \$	Median sold \$	Avg sq ft	Avg price per sq ft \$	Avg days on market (DOM)
2005	262	354,615	301,111	1,392	262	51
2006	230	368,843	320,000	1,397	269	80
2007	190	388,426	325,500	1,444	277	86
2008	171	385,019	335,000	1,418	275	106
2009	152	363,904	317,500	1,506	251	97
2010	145	356,288	318,000	1,487	250	94
2011	166	324,073	299,000	1,432	238	105
2012	204	280,442	246,500	1,436	272	73
2013	281	417,434	380,000	1,477	292	42
2014	196	460,540	428,700	1,448	333	37
2015	182	505,681	474,500	1,445	369	32
2015 vs 2014 Jan-Apr	-7%	10%	11%	0%	11%	-14%
2015	51	522,877	495,000	1,494	369	51
2016	53	525,722	485,000	1,481	378	37

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# Fiesta de Mayo to raise money for A Little Help

Where do neighbors of all ages, art and margaritas meet? At A Little Help's annual Fiesta de Mayo celebration, of course. The organization's fundraiser is at the beautiful Space Gallery in Denver's Santa Fe Arts District on Thursday, May 26, from 6 to 9 p.m.

As guests enjoy a Mexican-themed buffet provided by Appetites Catering and open bar, they can browse the distinctive auction items and enjoy the melodies of live band and DJ sets. This year, A Little Help is excited to have 9News Anchor Gregg Moss as its emcee.

## VIP

Space Gallery's spacious patio will be open and VIP ticket holders will enjoy the balcony bar.

VIP you say? Yes, this year Fuertes Tequila is sponsoring the VIP experience with a tequila tasting



and a special tequila drink. Plus, you get entrance to the event an hour earlier and first glance at the auction items.

If you were our guest last year, you know there was a lively crowd of nearly 200 friends and family that raised more than \$35,000.

With your support, the goal

this year is to raise more than \$50,000.

## Tickets

Please visit [www.alittlehelp.org/](http://www.alittlehelp.org/) and buy your tickets today, or call 720-242-9032 to enjoy a fun evening while making a difference in your community. Tickets are \$75 apiece or \$600 for a 10-pack. VIP tickets are \$100 each, or \$800 for a 10-pack. All proceeds from ticket and auction sales support A Little Help's mission of connecting neighbors across ages to enhance lives and strengthen communities.

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Mark your calendar with these dates for free/reduced admission around town and always check the venue's website or call to confirm dates, times and deals. Dates and times are subject to change.

Unless otherwise indicated, admission to the attractions below is free!

## June

- Thursday, June 2 – Molly Brown Museum, for residents of Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson counties
- Saturday, June 4 – Denver Art Museum
- Sunday, June 5 – Denver Museum of Nature and Science (Space Day)
- Tuesday, June 7 – Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield Farms, Littleton
- Tuesday, June 7 – Target First Tuesdays, Children's Museum of Denver 4-8 p.m.
- Thursday, June 23 – Denver Botanic Gardens, York Street

## July

- Saturday, July 2 – Denver Art Museum
- Tuesday, July 5 – Target First Tuesdays, Children's Museum of Denver 4-8 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 12 – Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield Farms, Littleton
- Tuesday, July 26 – Denver Botanic Gardens

## August

- Monday, Aug. 1, - History Colorado Center (Colorado Day)
- Tuesday, Aug. 2 - Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield Farms, Littleton
- Tuesday, Aug. 2 - Target First Tuesdays, Children's Museum of Denver 4-8 p.m.
- Saturday, Aug. 6 - Denver Art Museum
- Saturday, Aug. 20 – Denver Firefighters Museum

- Aug. 25-28 – National Parks Free Entrance Days (National Park Service Birthday)
- Monday, Aug. 29 – Denver Museum of Nature & Science

## September

- Saturday, Sept. 3 – Denver Art Museum
- Tuesday, Sept. 6 – Target First Tuesdays, Children's Museum of Denver 4-8 p.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 10 – Molly Brown Museum, for residents of Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas, and Jefferson counties
- Sunday, Sept. 11 – Denver Museum of Nature & Science
- Wednesday, Sept. 14 – Denver Botanic Gardens
- Saturday, Sept. 24 – National Parks Free Entrance Days (National Public Lands Day)

\*Free days at many venues are made possible by the Scientific & Cultural Facilities District through a voter-approved special tax to help fund more than 300 scientific and cultural organizations in the Denver metro area. Thanks, Denver voters!

## Ongoing Freebies and Deals:

### Museums

- The Denver Art Museum is free every day for kids 18 and under until spring 2020, due to a grant received in 2015.
- Aurora History Museum is free every day.
- Clyfford Still Museum offers free admission every Friday from 5 to 8 p.m. and free all-day admission the last Friday of every month (through October 2016): June 24, July 29, Aug. 26, Sept. 30 and October 28.
- The Denver Firefighters Museum offers a free day for Seniors 65+ on the second Saturday of each month.
- Denver Museum of Miniatures, Dolls and Toys offers a Community Day on the first Sunday of every month 1-4 p.m.; admission is just \$1.
- Bank of America or Merrill Lynch credit or debit cardholders get free admission at museums across the country on the first weekend of each month, including the Denver Zoo and Denver Art Museum (Sunday only, because DAM already offers free admission to all on the first Saturday of the month). This list changes, so check the "Museums on Us" website at [museums.bankofamerica.com](http://museums.bankofamerica.com) for locations around the country.

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