



Colorado Springs
PIONEERS MUSEUM



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BY THE NUMBERS

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THANK YOU

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THE COLORADO SPRINGS PIONEERS MUSEUM EXISTS TO BUILD A LASTING CONNECTION TO THE PIKES PEAK REGION BY PRESERVING AND SHARING OUR CULTURAL HISTORY.

WE HAVE
YOU TO
THANK

Your support and participation helped us make significant strides in upholding our organization's mission this past year.

YOUR IMPACT AT CSPM



112,383

TOTAL VISITORS FOR THE YEAR
the highest visitation record in our long history

THREE

NEW STORY-RICH EXHIBITS OPENED
AND WE UPDATED OTHERS



INSPIRING MORE THAN



5,100

children through our school groups

COMPLETED



EXTERIOR
RESTORATION
PROJECT



VISITATION

2018

FOUNDED IN 1896, CSPM REACHED OUR HIGHEST VISITATION RECORD IN 2018.
HOW DID THIS HAPPEN?

WE VALUE OUR VISITOR EXPERIENCE AND DEVELOP PROGRAMS THAT CONNECT WITH OUR SURROUNDING COMMUNITY.

FESTIVAL OF
LIGHTS FAMILY
FUN DAY



SANKOFA
CULTURE DAY



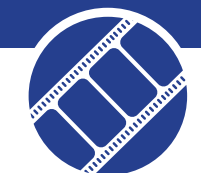
FOOD TRUCK
TUESDAYS



COLORADO
GROWN
FAMILY FUN DAY



501
PROGRAMS



SILENT FILM
SOIREE



DIG DAY



LECTURE SERIES



GIFT OF HISTORY
BREAKFAST

286 EVENTS

WEDDINGS, CORPORATE...and more

We strive to create meaningful experiences

We've been in Colorado Springs for five years intending to visit the Pioneers Museum since we got here and we finally went. This museum shows you things you would never know about its founding, history, buildings, architecture, key people in its layout and development. The building is beautiful. Our tour guide added a lot with his knowledge of the area.

BARBARA M.





EXHIBITS

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WE ARE
COMMUNITY
STORYTELLERS

We help make sense of the past to inform the present and inspire the future.

LEAGUE OF WIVES: VIETNAM POW/MIA ALLIES & ADVOCATES

Exhibits are rotated frequently and the current one on Vietnam POW and MIAs and the service wives and families who never gave up supporting and trying to bring them back is very powerful.

MARTHA B.

A HOME OF ONE'S OWN: THE LIFE OF HELEN HUNT JACKSON

FOR OVER
50 YEARS

Helen Hunt Jackson's original house and furnishings have been on display at CSPM for over fifty years. For 2018, our exhibit team created a fresh interpretation of her life, work, friendships, influences and family with an interactive digital display of documents and photographs.

STORY OF US: THE PIKES PEAK REGION FROM A - Z

This exhibit continues to evolve as we add new themes to tell our community's history. We developed new themes and are on track to install 5 new themes in 2019 including: "S" for Sankofa, "C" for Current/Loo Art, "E" for El Paso County Courthouse and "M" for Murals.

OUR
COMMUNITY

FRANCIS DREXEL SMITH: A LEGACY ON CANVAS

PIKES PEAK COMMUNITY COLLEGE: 50 YEARS

HARRY C.

So brilliant and eclectic. The displays were all interesting and informative. Honestly, I haven't enjoyed a museum so thoroughly in as many years as I can remember.

COLLECTIONS

2018

OUR COLLECTION HELPS US TELL THESE IMPORTANT STORIES. EVERY YEAR, WE ACQUIRE NEW ARTIFACTS AND ARCHIVAL MATERIAL IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THIS HISTORY FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS.

The museum received two separate donations of Air Force materials, including...

A 1960s ERA FLIGHT SUIT

**A KOREAN CONFLICT
RADIO HEADSET**

A WWII FLIGHT HELMET

 **127** collections
donated

Additional items added to the collection are...

**WOODMEN OF THE
WORLD MONUMENT**

THE COUTURE'S DYE KETTLE

POTTERY FROM HIBBARDS

AN ADAMAN BACKPACK

**A COLORADO SPRINGS HIGH
SCHOOL CADET UNIFORM**

**TWO GEORGE BANCROFT
PAINTINGS**

**JALISCO DRESS AND
JALISCO/VERACRUZ DOLLS**

**STAINED GLASS FROM THE
UTE THEATER**

**FURNITURE, FURS, AND
PAPERS FROM FANNIE MAE
DUNCAN**



The Starsmore Center for Local History acquired 90 new collections, including oral histories related to CSPM's *League of Wives: Vietnam's POWs/MIAs Allies & Advocates* exhibit, the Conejos Neighborhood Project, the League of Women Voters, and the El Paso County Courthouse. Other collections include film reels from the Alexander Film Company, materials from the Dorr family, Helen Cogswell Trostell papers and artwork, and numerous scrapbooks, ephemera and photographs. Additionally, the museum continues to grow the Heinicke collection with generous donations from the family.





RESTORATION

2018

ONE OF
OUR MOST
IMPORTANT
OBJECTS IS
OUR HISTORIC
BUILDING

In December 2018, the exterior restoration of the 1903 El Paso County Courthouse was completed. The preservation activities focused on addressing roof leaks, restoring badly deteriorated decorative stonework, cleaning, and rehabilitation of masonry elements, metal repairs, and painting and treatment of doors and windows. This project was made possible by our generous funders including History Colorado - The State Historical Fund, Gates Foundation, Boettcher Foundation, Downtown Partnership, the Ralph Giddings Charitable Trust, City of Colorado Springs Capital Improvement Project funding, and many individual donors.

EXTERIOR RESTORATION PROJECT



\$**1.5M**
PROJECT

PROJECT STARTED IN

2005

70% OF PROJECT FUNDING
FROM GRANTS & GIFTS

FIRST MAJOR EXTERIOR
REHABILITATION SINCE

1970s

With the exterior improvement project completed, the Museum Team is already looking ahead to interior improvements for collection storage and expanded exhibit space.



EDUCATION

2018

WE INSPIRED OVER 5,000 CHILDREN WITH STORIES ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY AND THE PIKES PEAK REGION. OUR PROGRAMS GIVE US AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESERVE AND SHARE OUR CULTURAL HISTORY WITH THE NEXT GENERATION.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS



SCHOOL GROUPS



JUNIOR DOCENTS



FAMILY PROGRAMS



CSPM PROUDLY AWARDED

THREE

SCHOLARSHIPS TO JUNIOR DOCENTS

JOE F.

I enjoyed this field trip very much, and I feel that our students really enjoyed it as well. They came away discussing what they learned, and I believe there are many connections that can be made to what we are learning in the classroom... Field trips like this one foster an interest in the field of history, and I think that's great to do at such a young age.

We do this field trip every year and in my ten years of coming to the museum, you improve the experience each year... thank you.

SUSAN B.

DEBORAH F.

My child truly enjoyed being a Junior Docent this year. She would light up every time I picked her up when she would tell me her experience during her shift. She loves history very much and was happy that she had the opportunity to volunteer this summer.



HONOR ROLL

OF SUPPORT

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117
VOLUNTEERS

x

8,102
HOURS

EQUAL TO
ALMOST

4 FULL
TIME
STAFF

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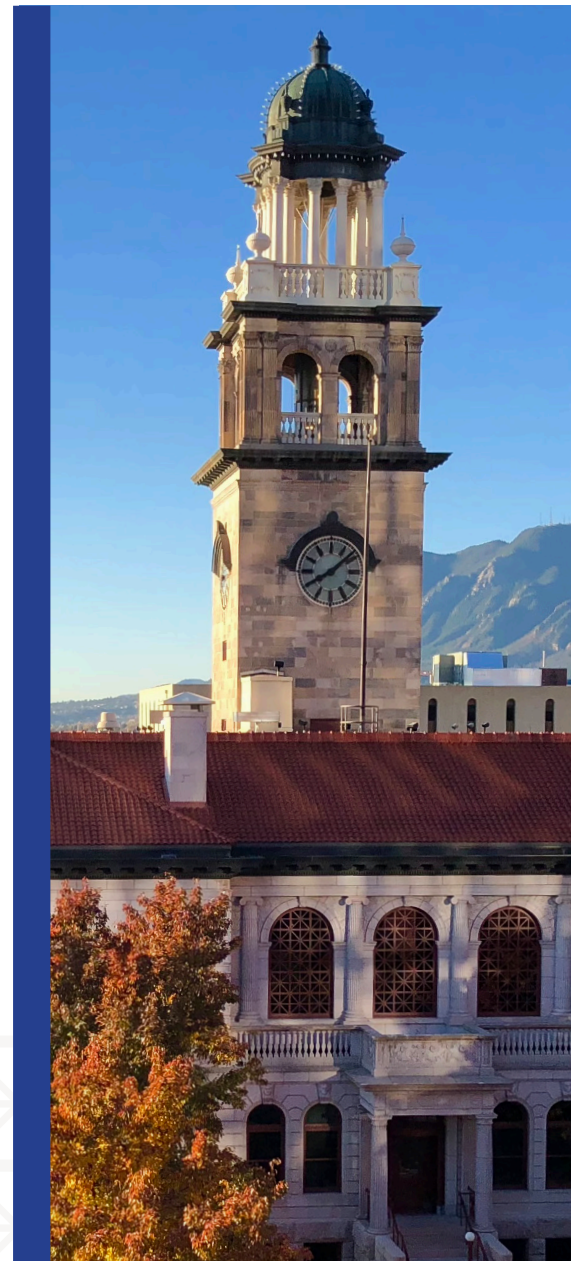
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These sustaining gifts allow CSPM to achieve our ambitious goal to be the source for igniting curiosity and inspiring discovery among all residents and visitors. We want to recognize these individuals for their investment and involvement in producing rich cultural and educational rewards for generations to come.

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