



### Updates, Announcements, and Events from Partner Organizations



#### **NATIONAL WESTERN STOCK SHOW**

- Our complex is now able to go to full capacity and as such, many more events are being booked including concerts, horse shows and expo hall exhibits. Go to National Western Complex webpage for all the information.
- Stock show planning is in full swing, and we just received 3.5 million dollars from the legislature for operations support to help us through the pandemic. The money will be used to bring back employees and bridge the gap between now and our January show.
- Capital campaign fundraising stands at 80 million in pledges to date and we are making many presentations face to face now that we are able to present in person.

#### **NATIONAL WESTERN AUTHORITY**

- **SYEC activation.** The Authority will be operating the Stockyards Event Center by late fall and is focused on events activation for the new building as well as events in the Yards.
- **Hiring.** The Authority will be hiring two new positions: a Facilities Engineer and an Events Operations Manager. Those position descriptions are being developed now. The Facilities Engineer position will be posted in the next 60 days, the timing for the Events Ops Manager will follow that.
- **Pursuing bond projects.** We are partnering with NWCO to request that the future Arena and the future public market be included in the November GO Bond. CSU and WSSA are lending their support to the request.
- The National Western Center Authority Board of Directors has an opening for a resident of Globeville or Elyria-Swansea (GES), to be appointed by Denver Mayor Michael B. Hancock. The new board member will serve as a link to the community, reflecting its

voice in pursuit of the center's mission and guiding principles. The 13-member board of directors oversees the National Western Center's work programming, operating, maintaining and promoting the campus — work that is already well underway. The full board generally meets on the third Thursday of the month at 9 a.m. The new board member would likely join the Community Benefits Committee of the board, which also meets monthly. For more information, contact Liz Adams, or apply at this link: <https://www.denvergov.org/Government/Departments/Mayors-Office/About/Boards-and-Commissions/Boards-and-Commissions-Application>

## **MAYOR'S OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL WESTERN CENTER**

- Please see the construction update for the month of June 2021.

## **COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY**

- Save the date! CSU, Dumb Friends League, and Focus Points will host their annual free Pet Vaccine Clinic on Saturday, October 2 at the Swansea Recreation Center from 9-3 p.m.
- Join us for CSU Spur Service Days. The first Service Day is a South Platte River Clean-up on July 30, followed by a service day in partnership with Extreme Community Makeover on August 27. Register for the events and learn more on the [Spur Events Page](#).
- Hydro – the final CSU Spur building – started vertical construction, [read more here](#).
- New tour times released! Sign up for an upcoming tour of the CSU Spur campus and view construction progress on all three CSU Spur buildings at <https://www.csuspur.org/construction/>
- Save the date to sign the beam for Hydro's topping off during the week of Sept. 6; exact date of topping off TBA
- The Water in the West Symposium 2021 will be hosted November 3 and 4 and will be a hybrid format, offering virtual and in-person.
- So far, at least seven students from the 80216-zip code have enrolled in a CSU System institution and qualify for the CSU Spur Scholarship; a final pool of student applicants for the Fall semester will be selected in August.
- The CSU Spur Outreach group hosted one/and will host another day in the GES communities to enhance understanding and connection.
- The CSU Board of Governors approved an initiative to invest in infrastructure, access, and programming for rural communities. ([Read about this initiative in the Denver Post](#))

## **DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURE AND SCIENCE**

### Opportunities and Events with DMNS

- Visit us at [www.dmns.org](http://www.dmns.org) to learn more about the events below.
  - *DMNS is open*

- Special Exhibitions: *Stonehenge* (closes 9/6) and *Numbers in Nature: A Mirror Maze* (closes 9/19) are now open to the general public.
- Friday Evening Hours: the Museum is open on Friday evenings until 9 p.m.
- SCFD Community Free Days and Free Nights – Next: 8/11 the Museum will be FREE from 5pm-9pm. <https://www.dmns.org/visit/pricing-and-discounts>
- Connect to DMNS events from home:
  - The museum continues to provide free virtual opportunities. Find upcoming virtual events here: [https://www.dmns.org/virtual-offerings/?ref=DMNSHomePage\\_FeaturedGridItem&cta=btn1](https://www.dmns.org/virtual-offerings/?ref=DMNSHomePage_FeaturedGridItem&cta=btn1)
  - Summer Camps are wrapping up. Thanks to Focus Points for sharing camp registration and scholarship information with families! We are looking to build more partnerships for school year break camps. Reach out to [camps@dmns.org](mailto:camps@dmns.org) to learn more.
- We Don't Waste Food Drives
  - For information and dates: <https://www.wedontwaste.org/what-we-do/>
  - To get involved: <https://www.wedontwaste.org/get-involved/volunteer/>.
  - If interested in other levels of collaboration with WDW (eg. setting up a booth) please contact Julia Lennon at [julia@wedontwaste.org](mailto:julia@wedontwaste.org).

## HISTORY COLORADO

- First, we will have a new Executive Director at the Start of September, Dawn DiPrince. The press release for this is at <https://www.historycolorado.org/press-release/2021/07/06/history-colorado-names-dawn-diprince-executive-director#:~:text=The%20Board%20of%20Directors%20of,Director%2C%20following%20a%20national%20search.&text=DiPrince%20will%20assume%20the%20role,13%20years%20at%20History%20Colorado.>
  - Associated with this is the creation of a new post - Chief Preservation Officer for the State Historic Preservation Office. They will have oversight over all compliance and incentives programs that run through our office.
- Second, we have created a new focus for the State Historical Fund General and mini-Grants centered on elevating BIPOC sites and voices in our state. <https://www.historycolorado.org/press-release/2021/06/10/more-3m-preservation-grants-now-available-through-history-colorado-state>