

Free Activities 2018

**Most, if not all, locations
closed on national holidays*

This website provided information on free passes to different museums from different county libraries:

<http://www.thedenverchannel.com/money/debbies-deals/debbies-deals-local-libraries-offer-free-museum-and-attraction-passes>

Denver Zoo

720-337-1400

2300 Steele St, Denver – In Denver’s City Park

Zoo’s main entrance is on 23rd Ave between Colorado & York

www.denverzoo.org

- If you are entering the address into your GPS system, please enter 2900 E 23rd Avenue for “GPS Systems Only”
- Winter Hours (Nov 1-Feb 28): Admission opens at 10am-4pm, grounds close at 5pm
- Summer Hours (Mar 1-Oct 31): Admission opens at 9am-5pm, grounds close at 6 pm
- 2018 FREE DAYS
 - Jan 11, Jan 19, Jan 20, Feb 4, Feb 15, Nov 9, Nov 12
 - ***Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult***

Children’s Museum of Denver

303-433-7444

2121 Children’s Museum Dr, Denver – I-25 & 23rd Ave

www.mychildsmuseum.org

- Programs are appropriate for newborns through age 8 years old
- Hours: Mon-Fri: 9am-4pm (Wednesday open until 7:30 pm), Sat & Sun 10am-5pm
- 2018 FREE DAYS
 - 1st Tuesday of each month, 4pm-8pm: Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3, May 1, Jun 5, Jul 3, Aug 7, Sep 4, Oct 2, Nov 6, Dec 4
 - Seniors are free the 1st Friday of every month!
- Normal Pricing:
 - Children under 1: Free, Age 1: \$11.00, Ages 2 – 59: \$13.00, Seniors (60+): \$11.00, Members: Free, Military discount: \$2 off per person
 - Excludes birthdays, rentals & school groups

Denver Art Museum

720-865-5000

100 West 14th Ave Pkwy, Denver - At the Civic Center Cultural Complex, downtown Denver, between Broadway and Bannock St

www.denverartmuseum.org

- Programs are appropriate for a variety of ages



- General admission is always free to all youth ages 18 and under every day!
- 2018 FREE DAYS
 - 1st Saturday of each month (does not include ticketed exhibitions)
 - Feb 3, Mar 3, Apr 7, May 5, Jun 2, Jul 7, Aug 4, Sep 1, Oct 6, Nov 3, Dec 1
- Hours: Mon- Thurs & Sat-Sun 10am-5pm, Fri 10am-8pm

Denver Museum of Nature and Science

303-370-6000

2001 Colorado Blvd, Denver - In City Park at Colorado and Montview

www.dmns.org

- Programs are appropriate for a variety of ages
- 2018 FREE DAYS
 - Jan 28, Feb 12, Apr 9, Apr 29, Jun 3, Jul 5, Aug 13, Sept 12, Sept 30, Oct 14, Dec 9
 - Free days are for Colorado residents only. Proof required (license, school ID, etc).
 - All military (current, retired, reservist, National Guard) with valid military ID free!
 - Fees apply to IMAX, Planetarium shows, and temporary exhibitions
- Hours: 9am-5pm every day except Christmas/ Kids Discovery Zone: 9am-5pm
- SNAP Access: \$1 admission per person. Just show your EBT card. Valid for up to 10 people

Hammond's Candy Factory

303-333-5588 x110

5735 N. Washington St, Denver, CO

www.hammondscandies.com

- FREE Tours: Mon-Fri, 9am-3pm & Sat, 10am-3pm. Closed on Sundays
- No reservation required for small groups
- To schedule a tour for a group of 10 or more, call 303-333-5588 ext 110

Governor's Mansion

303-866-3682 (CO History Museum)

400 East 8th Ave, Denver, CO

- TOURS ALWAYS FREE (Times and dates below)
- Summer Tours (Guided): Every Tues afternoon from Jun 12th - Aug 14th, 1pm-3pm; tours start every quarter hour and lasts approximately 45 min.
- Sept 22-23 (Doors Open Denver) 10am-4pm, open house style tour
- Holiday Tours (Guided): December 6th – 9th & 13th-16th, 10am-2pm

Denver Botanic Gardens

720-865-3500

1007 York Street, Denver - York St and 10th Ave

www.botanicgardens.org

- Programs are appropriate for a variety of ages
- 2018 FREE DAYS
 - Jan 15, Feb 19, Mar 22, Apr 8, Jun 5, Jul 19, Aug 29, Nov 3
 - Free days are for Colorado residents only. Proof required (license, school ID, etc). They are for regular gardens hours only and do not include ticketed events.
- Summer Hours(May 13-Sept 30) 9am-8 pm, Winter Hours (Sept 25-May 12) 9am-5pm



Denver Botanic Gardens at Chatfield

720-865-3500

8500 W. Deer Creek Canyon Road, Littleton, CO

- Programs are appropriate for a variety of ages
- 2018 FREE DAYS
 - Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3, Jun 5*, Jul 3*, Aug 7*, Nov 6
 - Free days are for Colorado residents only. Proof required (license, school ID, etc). They are for regular gardens hours only and do not include ticketed events.
- *Butterflies at Chatfield will be open during Chatfield Free Days with paid admission for the butterfly house
- Hours: 9am-5pm; last admission is 4:30pm

Dinosaur Ridge

303-697-3466

16831 W. Alameda Pkwy, Morrison, CO

www.dinoridge.org

- Programs appropriate for all ages – Walking may be required
- Always free to view dinosaur fossil sites or to visit the Visitor Center
- FREE
 - Dinosaur Discovery Days – Free outdoor events. Tours by volunteer guides. 10:00am-2:30pm on the second Saturday from May through October. Shuttle bus is \$4.00 per person (ages 3 and under ride free), walk for free.
- Guided Bus Tour Hours:
 - 45 min tour of Dinosaur Ridge is \$8.00 per person (ages 3 and under ride free).
 - Summer Hours: May through Oct, 10 am to 4 pm (bus every 20 min)
 - Winter Hours: Nov through April, 10 am to 3 pm (shuttle every hour)
- Exhibit Hall Hours:
 - Summer Hours: May through October, everyday 9:30 am to 4:30 pm.
 - Winter Hours: Nov through April, everyday 9:30-3:30
 - \$2 per person for exhibit hall only

Colorado Sports Hall of Fame

720-258-3888

Sports Authority Field at Mile High, 1701 Mile High Stadium Cir., Ste 500, Denver - West side of Sports Authority Field at I-25 & Colfax Ave - Enter through Gate #1.

www.coloradosports.org

- Programs are appropriate for a variety of ages. Kids' Zone for children
- FREE: Admission always free (Fee for tours of field)
 - Sept-May: Thur-Sat 10am-3pm (call for hours on home game dates)
 - Jun-Aug: Mon-Sat 10am-3pm
- Museum open special hours on Bronco home games and other special events



Colorado Railroad Museum

303-279-4591

17155 W. 44th Ave, Golden - I-70 west to Hwy 58 west, exit MacIntyre<http://coloradorailroadmuseum.org>

- Programs are appropriate for a variety of ages
- 2018 FREE DAYS: March 8, Apr 12, Oct 11 10am-4pm
 - Free days are for everyone, not just Colorado residents
- Discounted Rates available for Active Military and AAA Members, disabled adults, groups of 20 or more.
- Hours: Everyday 9am-5pm

Colorado Capitol Building

303-866-2604

200 E. Colfax Ave, Denver - Colfax Ave and Broadway

<https://leg.colorado.gov/node/1024591/>

Programs are appropriate for a variety of ages

- FREE: 30-45 minute tours, 30 people max per tour
 - Reservations are required for groups larger than 10
- Hours: Mon-Fri, 10am – 3pm

Denver US Mint Tour

303-405-4761

320 W. Colfax Ave, Denver - Between Delaware and Cherokee Streets

<https://www.usmint.gov/about/mint-tours-facilities/denver/visiting-the-denver-mint>

- FREE: Tours always free. Tickets are available at the Tour Information window located at the Gift Shop entrance on Cherokee St. Window opens at 7am Monday-Thursday and will remain open until all tickets have been distributed. Tickets are for same day tours only no advance tickets available. First-come, first-served basis, limit 5 per person.
- Hours: Mon-Thur, 8am-3:30pm
 - Tour times and availability vary each day
 - Must be there 30 minutes early, late arrivals will not be admitted
 - Adults will need a photo ID
- Prohibited items: Purses, handbags, fanny packs, tote bags, strollers, packages, backpacks, food, drinks, tobacco products and weapons including pocket knives and pepper spray. All necessary medication must be identified.
- Tours are not recommended for children under 7 years of age

Geology Museum at the Colorado School of Mines

303-273-3815

General Research Lab, 1310 Maple St, Golden (13th and Maple St) www.mines.edu/Geology_Museum

- FREE: Admission is always free.
- Hours: Mon-Sat, 9am-4pm & Sun, 1pm-4pm (closed holidays)

National Renewable Energy Lab

303-384-6565

15013 Denver West Pkwy, Golden, CO

<https://www.nrel.gov/about/education-center.html>

- Programs are appropriate for a variety of ages
- Education Center open Mon-Fri, 9am-4pm
- FREE: Variety of Group Programs available, for additional information contact Sarah Barba at 303-275-3023. Reservations required.
- Learn about energy from the sun, wind, biomass and sources of renewable energy.

Free Summer Concerts

(check websites for updated dates and times)

- Arvada Concert Series: McIlvoy Park, 5750 Upham St
www.apexprd.org/put-free-summer-concerts-calendar and
<http://visitarvada.org/events/free-events/>
- Lakewood Belmar Music on the Plaza: 408 S. Teller St
<https://www.belmarcolorado.com/music-on-the-plaza>
- Westminster Concert Series: City Park, 10475 Sheridan Blvd., Westminster
www.ci.westminster.co.us
- Westminster at the Orchard Town Center: 14697 Delaware St., Westminster
www.theorchardtowntcenter.com
- Evergreen Lake: www.evergreenlakepresents.com

Free Summer Movies

(check websites for updated dates and times)

- Arvada Flicks on the Square: Olde Town Square, Arvada,
<http://arvada.org/about/news-events/flicks-in-the-square-2565>
- Westminster Movies in the Park: 10455 Sheridan Blvd., Westminster,
<https://www.cityofwestminster.us/specialevents>
- Southwest Movies at Skyline Rink-Skyline Park corner of 16th and Arapahoe Street
- <http://www.downtowndenver.com/places/skyline-park>
- Monday Movie Madness at Infinity Park - 4599 E. Tennessee Ave, Glendale
<http://www.denver.org/things-to-do/denver-holiday-events/outdoor-summer-movies/>

Every Kid in a Park

<https://everykidinapark.gov/>

- As of September 1, 2015, all fourth grade students have access to their own Every Kid has a park pass.
- Provides free access to national parks, national forests, national wildlife refuges, and more
- Complete an Adventure Diary on the website to receive the pass

Story Times in Jefferson, Gilpin and Clear Creek Counties

Jefferson County Public Libraries

303-235-5275

Locations: Lakewood, Arvada, Wheat Ridge, Golden, Evergreen, Conifer, Columbine, Belmar, Edgewater, Standley Lake



www.jefferson.lib.co.us

- FREE: Classes, story times and other events
 - Dates specific to each library, but most are open 7 days a week
- Hours: Specific to each individual library

Hay Bales and Tall Tales Story Times

720-865-0800

715 South Forest St, Denver, CO

www.fourmilepark.org

- Four Mile Historic Park, Story time and related activity
- Call for times and dates

Gilpin County Public Library – Story Hour

303-582-5777

15131 Highway 119, Black Hawk, CO

www.gilpinlibrary.org

- Hours: Wednesdays from 10:00-11:00am
- No registration required, just drop on in!

Clear Creek County Public Library – Story Hour

www2.youseemore.com/clearcreeklibrary

- Idaho Springs – 219 14th Ave., Idaho Springs, CO, 80452 – 303-567-2020
 - Preschool Story Hour on Tuesdays at 11:00am
- Georgetown – 605 6th St, Georgetown, CO 80444 – 303-569-2620
 - Preschool Play and Stories on Wednesdays at 11am

Kids Eat Free!

Please call ahead to verify the deals as different restrictions or requirements may apply

Websites

- <http://www.milehighonthecheap.com/kids-eat-free/>

Everyday Deals

- Golden Corral – Kids 3 and under eat free. Limit 2 per adult
- Steak ‘n Shake- One kid 12 and under eats free for every \$9 spent.
- Moe’s Original Bar B Que – Kids 10 and under eat free at **Vail and Eagle locations only.**



SUNDAY

- Casey's Bistro & Pub (Denver)
- C.B. & Potts
- Centro Latin Kitchen (Boulder)
- Casey's Bistro and Pub at Stapleton
- Via Baci's (9 and under) \$2.00
- Don Emilio's Mexican Restaurant (Aurora)
- Atlanta Bread (Aurora)
- FATE Brewing Company (Boulder)
- GB Fish & Chips
- Juicy Burgers & Dogs
- Modern Market
- Steak 'N Shake
- Under the Sun Eatery & Taphouse (Boulder)
- Rio Grande in Lone Tree
- Lansdowne Arms Bistro and Pub until 4 pm
- Woody's Denver
- Dickey's BBQ Pit
- Firehouse Subs (Centennial, Lone Tree, Greenwood Village)
- Mooyah (wearing their Little League uniform)
- Randolph's Restaurant
- Uncle Maddio's Pizza Joint
- Big Juicy Bar & Grill (Thornton)
- Taziki's Café (Denver)
- Exchange Tavern (Westminster)

MONDAY

- Beau Jo's (Boulder, Evergreen)
- Brother's Bar & Grill (Denver)
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Café Mexicali (Boulder)
- Cianco's @ Hyland Hills
- Cici's Pizza
- Cinzetti's
- El Jardin (Commerce City)
- Four G's Restaurant
- Gunther Toody's Diner
- 3 Margaritas (Aurora)
- Kobe An (Denver)
- Kokopelli Beer Company
- Larkburger
- Mici's Italian (Denver)
- Modern Market
- Romano's Macaroni Grill
- Reelfish Fish & Chips (Lafayette)
- Taziki's Café (Denver)
- Under the Sun Pizzeria & Taphouse (Boulder)
- Village Inn

TUESDAY

- Atlanta Bread Company
- Beau Jo's (Arvada)
- Black-eyed Pea
- Brewery Bar III (Lone Tree)
- Brothers Bar & Grill (Denver)
- Cinzetti's Italian Market
- CityGrille (Denver)
- Denny's
- Famous Dave's
- Fazoli's
- Fins and noodles Italian & Seafood (Centennial)
- Jay's Grille & Bar
- Lone Star Steakhouse
- 3 Margaritas (Westminster)
- Pasquini's Pizzeria (Denver)
- Perkins Restaurant and Bakery
- Rise Pies (Denver)
- Romano's Macaroni Grill
- Restaurant 4580
- Ruby Tuesday
- Under the Sun Eatery & Taphouse (Boulder)
- Village Inn
- Wild Mountain Smokehouse & Brewery (Nederland)
- Yellowbelly (Denver)
- Zocalo Restaurant & Bar
- Lucha Cantina (Littleton)
- Mighty Joe's Kitchen (Wheat Ridge)
- Wok Hei Fresh Asian (Denver)

WEDNESDAY

- Blue Pan Pizza (Denver)
- Restaurant 4580 (Boulder)
- Under the Sun Eatery & Taphouse (Boulder)
- Wahoo's Fish Tacos (Boulder)
- Zoup (Denver)
- Primo Bistro
- Garbanzo Mediterranean Grill
- The Goods (Denver)
- Applebee's (\$.99 3 to close)
- Buffalo Rose
- Cianco's @ Hyland Hills
- Great Scott's Eatery (Denver)
- HuHot Mongolian Grill
- Lodo's Bar & Grill
- Real de Minas Mexican Restaurant

THURSDAY

- Rise Pies (Denver)
- Wahoo's (12 and under)
- Colorado Brewing Company Draft House (10 and under)

SATURDAY

- Texas Roadhouse
- Buck's BBQ & Grill (Lakewood)
- Mighty Joe's Kitchen (Wheat Ridge)
- Perkins
- Atlanta Bread (Aurora)
- FATE Brewing Company (Boulder)
- Hooters

