

2024

COMMUNITY IMPACT
AN OVERVIEW OF OUR COMMUNITY REACH



Annual Parker Honey Festival | Photo by Joie De V Photography

Our Mission

To enhance local economic vitality and quality of life by offering unique gathering spaces and providing access to a wide variety of high-quality performances, exhibits and educational programs in arts, culture, history and science.



Unique spaces = charming places.

Public art enriches our civic spaces, creates vibrant gathering spaces, and provides free, unique cultural experiences for everyone in the community. Recognizing this impact, we are thrilled with the completion of Parker's first comprehensive **Public Art Master Plan**.

This new plan captures a shared vision for public art in Parker by providing a dynamic roadmap with clear, long-term goals and specific strategies for integrating public art throughout the Town.

Furthermore, our newly formed **Public Art Commission** will help oversee this plan and will serve in an advisory capacity to the Parker Town Council and Cultural Department by making recommendations regarding the acquisition, development, and maintenance of public artwork for the community of Parker.

These commissioners assist with executing the strategies outlined in the Public Art Master Plan, promote the arts, and educate citizens about the Public Art Program.

New art features in 2024:

- 1 Commissioned *Spirit of Change* tree carving
- 2 Purchased Art Encounters sculptures:
 - 2 *Aureus Ruber*
 - 3 *Miss Poppins' Favorite*
 - 4 *Stop Pushing*
- 5 New community murals added
- 6 42 downtown street banners installed in a collaboration with the Downtown Business Improvement District
- 7 Seven temporary sculptures installed (Art Encounters)
- 8 11 new utility cabinet wraps added around town

Meet our Team

Our team's mission is to ensure everyone has access to arts, culture, history, science and educational opportunities!

DEVELOPMENT | PROGRAMMING | OUTREACH | FACILITIES | EVENTS | MARKETING | BOX OFFICE | PRODUCTION | EDUCATION



**CARRIE
GLASSBURN**
CULTURAL DIRECTOR



**DENISE
ZOGLMANN**
DEPUTY CULTURAL DIRECTOR



**KEVIN
NEWTON**
PRODUCTION MANAGER



**BECKY
SILER**
FACILITIES MANAGER



**SARA
CROWE**
DEVELOPMENT MANAGER



**KELLY
FAUSNACHT**
MARKETING MANAGER



**KIRSTIN
FLETCHER**
EDUCATION MANAGER



**BRITNI
MINICHINO-SIKORA**
PROGRAM COORDINATOR



**LAURA NELL
BORDEN**
FRONT OF HOUSE COORDINATOR



**LINDSAY
BAGBY**
SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR



**LESLIE
BONNELL**
MARKETING COORDINATOR



**SUZANNE
VELASQUEZ**
FACILITY SPECIALIST



**SYDNEY
MAHNKEN**
OUTREACH SPECIALIST



**KAMI
COOPER**
EDUCATION SPECIALIST



**JOHN
LADEBAUCHE IV**
GRAPHIC DESIGNER



**RODERICK
BORDEN**
STAGE TECHNICIAN



**DAVID
HOLT**
LIGHTING TECHNICIAN



**MATT
KOENIG**
AUDIO TECHNICIAN

We also employ a number of part-time staff whose expertise is critical in supporting and sustaining our quality programming.

Our Venues

Parker Arts has multiple unique spaces that offer versatility to meet your specific needs, all conveniently located on Mainstreet with access to free parking and walkable from nearby restaurants and shops.



PACE CENTER

The PACE Center provides the perfect, modern setting for your gathering where everyone is inspired to bring their best ideas to life. Ten different spaces provide the ideal versatility you need for a variety of events.

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THE SCHOOLHOUSE

Restored to its original integrity and updated with modern touches, The Schoolhouse is the perfect pairing of yesterday and today. Whether you're planning a small gathering or starting the next chapter with a loved one, this venue offers intimate gathering spaces.

19650 E. MAINSTREET | PARKER



RUTH MEMORIAL CHAPEL

Ruth Memorial Chapel is one of the most endeared Parker Arts venues with its charming clapboard exterior. The interior opens to a cozy chapel featuring warm hardwoods, frosted glass windows and traditional wooden pews. This historic landmark makes the happily-ever-afters remarkably special.

19650 E. MAINSTREET | PARKER



DISCOVERY PARK

With interactive fountains and our Thursday night free concert series in the summer, a vibrant ice trail in the winter, and performances and events throughout the year, Discovery Park is an all-season community gathering place.

20115 E. MAINSTREET | PARKER

Our Impact by the Numbers

Parker Arts is the premier center for arts, culture, events, exhibits and educational programs. Below is an overview of measured data accrued from our programming and events in 2024.



EDUCATION

395

total number of youth enrichment classes/camps

24,196

total attendance of enrichment classes/camps

192

adult classes

1,757

adults served through classes

6,277

students served through school/student matinee performances

72

schools served in the districts of: Arapahoe, Adams, Douglas, El Paso, Elbert, Denver, Kit Carson, Jefferson, Boulder Valley



COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT

12,366

number of people who attended free community events including Discovery Park Summer Concert Series, Parker Honey Festival, Parker Arts Lectures, Art Receptions, Portfolio Day, Shakespeare Festival, and Science Night

201

existing permanent public art installments throughout the Town including sculptures and murals

30

temporary Art Encounters sculptures and utility cabinet wraps exhibited throughout Town



VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY

194

number of adult volunteers

24

number of student volunteers

13,783

number of volunteer hours logged

21

number of volunteer-specific social engagements

38

number of hours volunteers spent together for volunteer-specific social engagements

\$461,601

the monetary savings our volunteers provide



ENGAGEMENT

166

presented shows at the PACE Center, The Schoolhouse and Discovery Park

100,944

number of people who attended ticketed events

57,068

number of people who attended private events (theater/facilities rentals)

96

community groups served at our facilities

40

facility rentals

\$11,439,333

total amount spent in our community*

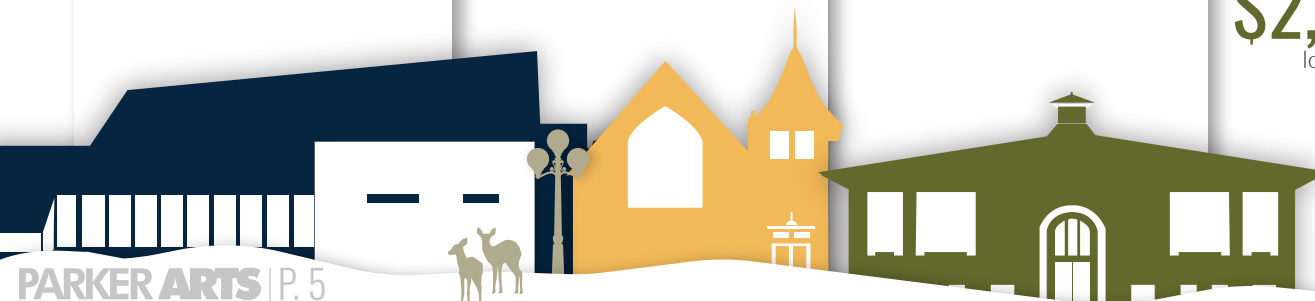
\$2,400,085

local tax revenue*

238

jobs*

*Source: Americans for the Arts Economic Impact Calculator, 2024



Our Partners

The quality of our programming is, in large part, a result of the outstanding and valued organizations with whom we partner. These partnerships help us secure and present the BEST in local talent, offering a season's worth of returning favorites and new faces!



Photo by: Noah Begley

MUSICALS

This year, we presented three successful musicals with our production partners: *School of Rock* and *Nunsense* (Veritas) and *Legally Blonde* (Sasquatch).

We enjoyed partnering for the first time with Veritas on their inaugural show with our 2024 production of *School of Rock*.

RETURNING FAVORITES

Each year, our community eagerly awaits our annual lineup of returning events, including Friday Night Jazz with the **Colorado Jazz Repertory Orchestra**, **Parker Symphony Orchestra**, the *Nutcracker* with **Denver Ballet Theatre**, and **Parker Chorale**. These cherished performances, often sold-out, wouldn't be possible without the incredible talent and passion brought to us through these special partnerships.



Photo by: Andrew Miner



Holding On by Karin Moser

ART & HISTORY

We value our continued partnership with the talented members of the **Parker Artists Guild** (PAG) who bring a diverse range of exhibits to The Schoolhouse throughout the year. This historic venue also hosts the Parker Heritage Center, operated by the **Parker Area Historical Society** (PAHS). The museum offers visitors a chance to explore a collection of artifacts, photographs, and stories that highlight the rich history of Parker.

Our Sponsors

Our sponsors are essential in bringing arts and culture to life in our community. Their generous support enables us to provide enriching performances, educational programs and free experiences that inspire audiences of all ages.



AdventHealth

Parker



Allstate

KAUFMAN FAMILY INSURANCE



Community Banks of Colorado

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Where common sense lives.

CORE

ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

Douglas County Libraries

FOREST of STORIES

DCL.ORG



Kroger

DELIVERY



Lifetime

Home Remodeling



PARKER CHAMBER FOUNDATION

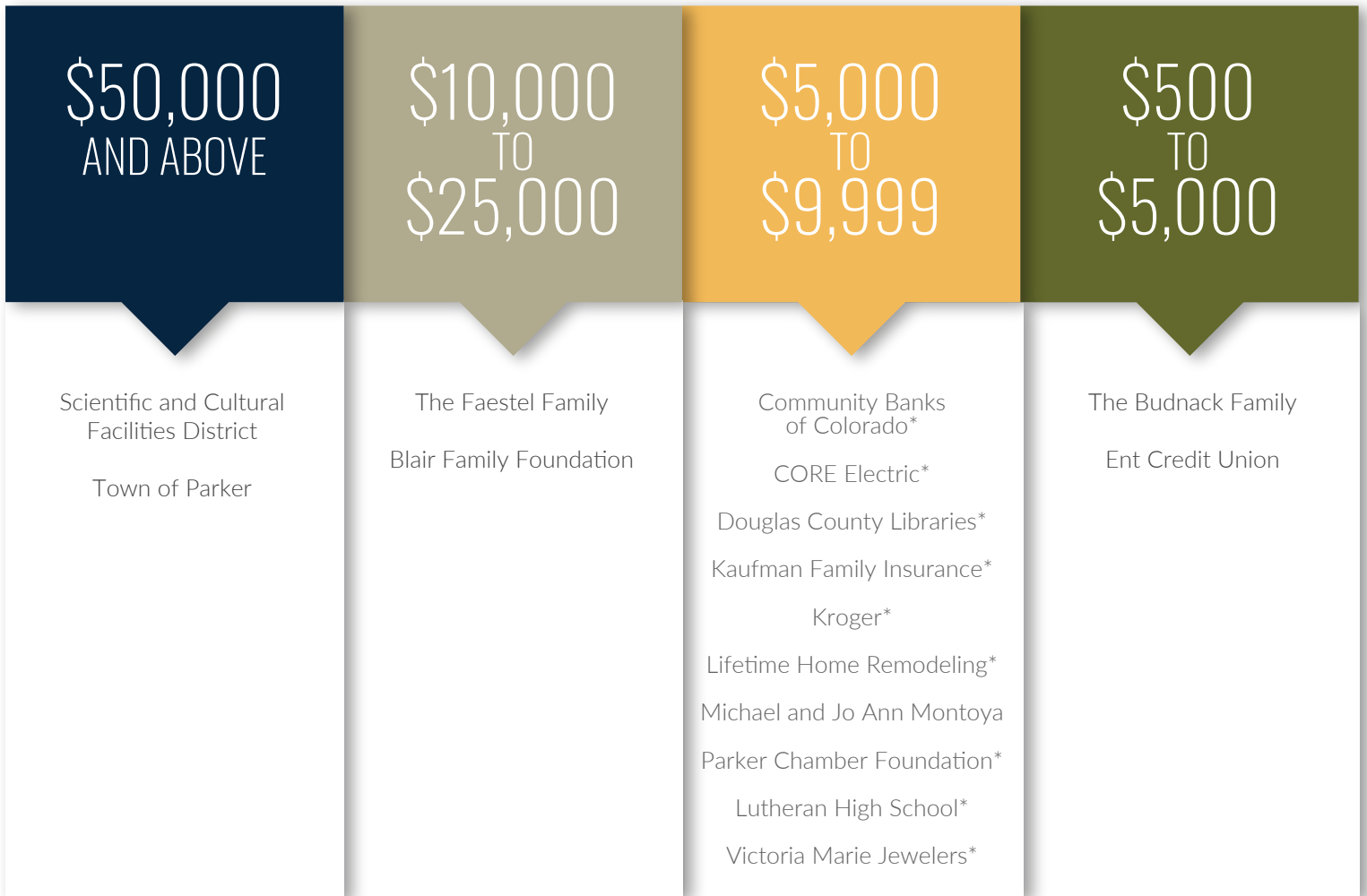


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Lutheran High School
Parker Chamber Foundation
Victoria Marie Jewelers

Our Annual Contributors

Our contributors are grantors, sponsors, businesses and individuals whose generosity helps sustain our programming and outreach initiatives. Their support helps fund programs that add to the vibrancy of our Parker Arts community.



*Denotes 2024 Parker Arts Sponsors

Our Membership Program

Membership offers patrons exclusive benefits, exciting entertainment and world-class cultural events. Parker Arts members get the latest news about upcoming events and shows in advance and have the opportunity to purchase tickets before they're available to the general public at our annual Season Announcement Party.

Listed below are the six different levels of membership available and the number of members within these levels in 2024.



Our Programming

We're committed to offering quality, curated programming and events year-round to maintain a level of excellence within and outside our community. Our vision is to be fundamental to the Town's identity as a vibrant community.

CONCERTS | MUSICALS | FAMILY | OUTREACH | SPECIAL EVENTS | ART | CULTURAL



- 1 In 2024, rCup usage eliminated over 24,000 single use cups and lids.
 - 2 Flamenco Intimo offered a traditional flamenco experience, translating emotion into movement and sound.
 - 3 Student Matinees are provided throughout the season allowing rich integration of performing arts into the classroom curriculum.
 - 4 Family Discovery Series introduces young children to cultural and performing arts in a welcoming family-friendly environment.
 - 5 Adults are encouraged to learn new skills, grow their passions, and enjoy being social with Parker Arts classes.
 - 6 Youth classes and camps take all forms throughout the year, offering creative education/enrichment for all ages, interests and abilities.
 - 7 Science Night offers families a chance to explore hands-on experiments and activities led by dedicated partners promoting science education.
 - 8 The annual Parker Honey Festival highlights the crucial role of bees with a fun-filled day of activities, education, and local honey tastings.
 - 9 The Dia de los Muertos celebration was a partnership with Global Village Academy that included an art reception, cultural performances and crafts.
 - 10 Portfolio Day allows high school student artists an opportunity to have their portfolios reviewed by art industry professionals. Students display their pieces in the Bright Futures Student Exhibit.
 - 11 We host free art receptions, featuring live music and light snacks, offering patrons a chance to view the PACE Gallery exhibit and meet the exhibiting artists in a relaxed, inviting setting.
 - 12 Our fall fundraiser Flapjacks and Flannels was a fun day of food, fellowship, music, and crafting, raising over \$7,000 to support free community programming.
 - 13 Parker Arts partners with Aging Resources for the Companion Program, pairing aging adults with a companion to attend performances at the PACE Center.
 - 14 Our Outreach program is designed to bring engagement and culture to aging adults living in assisted living, memory care, or senior low-income housing. The activities range from arts and crafts to guest speakers and live music - all in an effort to help build meaningful relationships with the residents.
 - 15 The Long Run performed exclusively for members in the fall of 2024, offering a special concert experience that brought members together for a night of great music and community.
 - 16 Parker Arts' free summer concerts at Discovery Park offer a vibrant mix of live music in a picturesque outdoor setting. These family-friendly events feature a variety of musical genres, creating a lively atmosphere for all ages to enjoy.
 - 17 Last year, we updated our PACE Mainstage audio system with state-of-the-art equipment including a new speaker system, audio infrastructure and audio control consoles.
- IN THE NEWS:
- 18 Parker Arts Stage Technician Roderick Borden was recognized by the Denver Gazette as the "Unsung Hero of the Day" for his dedication, experience and exceptional efforts in helping our programming run smoothly.
 - 19 Parker Arts Production Manager Kevin Newton was one of four professionals interviewed and featured in the book, *Aiming Artists: Talent Management for Arts Leaders*.
 - 20 Brandon Bill received a Henry Award for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Musical Tier 2 for his magnificent performance in *Murder for Two*, presented in our 2024/2025 season.

ENRICHMENT | FUNDRAISERS | COMEDY | MEMBERSHIP | FREE EVENTS | LECTURES

Our Commissions & Town Council

At Parker Arts, we're especially grateful for the support of the Cultural and Scientific Commission and Public Art Commission! These groups help bring arts, culture, education, and more to Parker—both at our facilities and around town! Additionally, we appreciate our councilmembers who make policy decisions for the Town of Parker and approve its budget.

Cultural & Scientific Commission

SERVED IN 2024

Bethany Wood, Ph.D.
Cultural and Scientific Commission Chair,
History Committee Chair
Strategic Planning Committee

Terri Tilliss
Cultural and Scientific Commission Vice Chair
Parker Arts Lecture Series Committee Chair

Tabitha LaRose Burroughs
Science Committee
Honey Festival Committee

Annie Day
Honey Festival Committee Chair
History Committee

Christine Kennedy
Art in Public Places Committee
Parker Arts Lecture Series Committee
Strategic Planning Committee

Phil Kramer
Art in Public Places Committee Chair

Katie Milazzo
Art in Public Places Committee
Parker Arts Lecture Series Committee
Strategic Planning Committee

Michael Montoya
Art in Public Places Committee
History Committee
Strategic Planning Committee

Diana Norton
Art in Public Places Committee

Tom O'Malley
Honey Festival Committee
Strategic Planning Committee

Allen Rosen
Science Committee
Strategic Planning Committee

Robert Sánchez
Science Committee Chair
Parker Arts Lecture Series Committee
Strategic Planning Committee

Public Art Commission

CURRENTLY SERVING

Christine Kennedy
Chair

Philip Kramer

Michael Montoya

Diana Norton

Cindie Perry

Dave Reiter

Mark Steinhauser

Hima C. Yerraguntla

Parker Town Council

CURRENTLY SERVING

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Mayor

Anne Barrington

John Diak

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Brandi Wilks