



*Arts are the soul of a thriving community*

**Community Cultural Events: October 2023**

*Happy Arts Month! Please see below for upcoming cultural events presented by Bee Vradsenburg Foundation grantees. These organizations have been vetted by BVF for community impact and artistic merit – we believe in what they are doing and we hope you'll enjoy.*

Now through 10/15, times vary – UCCS Theatreworks: [Steel Magnolias](#)

Now through 12/08, times vary – Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center: [Bemis School of Art fall session](#)

Now through 12/12 – UCCS Gallery of Contemporary Art: [caesura by Martha Russo](#)

10/03, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. – Rocky Mountain Women's Film: [Festival in the Community: For the Record & The Best Chef in the World](#)

10/03, 5:30-7 p.m. – UCCS Heller Center for Arts & Humanities: [Refugees Then, Refugees Now](#)

10/03, 6 p.m. – Green Box Arts: [Creede Repertory Theater: The City Dog and the Prairie Dog](#)

10/03-17, 5:30 p.m. – Manitou Art Center: [Creating Ceramics Drinkware](#)

10/04, 6 p.m. – Rocky Mountain Women's Film: [Festival in the Community: Dear Thirteen](#)

10/05, 7 p.m. – UCCS Heller Center for Arts & Humanities: [Halloween Outdoor Movie Night](#)

10/06, 5-8 p.m. – Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center: [First Friday Art Party](#)

10/06, 5-8 p.m. – Cottonwood Center for the Arts: [First Friday reception: Ghosts by Aaron Graves](#)

10/06, 5-8 p.m. – Cottonwood Center for the Arts: [Art Classport Night](#)

10/06, 5-8 p.m. – Manitou Art Center: [First Friday reception: Local Indigenous artists](#)

10/06, 5-8 p.m. – Downtown Ventures: [First Friday Downtown](#)

10/06, 5:30 p.m. – Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center: [Looking and Listening to Learn: A conversation between artists about Monument Creek](#)

10/06, 7 p.m. – Colorado Springs Conservatory: [Jazz Nite](#)

10/06-07, times vary – Colorado Springs Philharmonic: [Marvel vs DC](#)

10/07, 1 p.m. – Manitou Art Center: [Intro to Intaglio Printmaking](#)

10/07, 1-7 p.m. – Concrete Couch: [Concrete Coyote Grand Opening](#)

10/07, 2:30-4 p.m. – Rocky Mountain Women's Film: [Festival in the Community: When My Sleeping Dragon Woke](#)

10/09, 6 p.m. – Colorado Springs Chinese Cultural Institute: [Mid-Autumn Festival Hot Pot Dinner](#)

10/11, 12 p.m. – Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum: [Lunch and Learn: Connecting to Local Arts, Past and Present](#)

10/11, 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Rocky Mountain Women's Film: [Festival in the Community: Aitamaako'tamisska Natosi: Before the Sun](#)

10/12, 6-7:30 p.m. – Rocky Mountain Women's Film: [Festival in the Community: Shorts Program](#)

10/12, 7 p.m. – UCCS Heller Center for Arts & Humanities: [Salon Series: Ghost Cameras, invisible inks and forgotten texts: the next generation of multispectral imaging to recover lost documents with Helen Davies](#)

10/12-29, times vary – Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center Theatre: [Misery](#)

10/13, 5 p.m. – Manitou Art Center: [Textiles Class: Blue Hands Club](#)

10/14, all day – Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center: [Museum Free Day](#)

10/14, 2-3 p.m. – Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum: [Lecture Series: Gay Pride and Resistance in Colorado Springs](#)

10/14-15, times vary – Chamber Orchestra of the Springs: [Celestial Dialogues](#)

10/16, 6 p.m. – Manitou Art Center: [Art in Meditation with the work of local Indigenous artists](#)

10/19, 7 p.m. – UCCS Heller Center for Arts & Humanities: [Indigenous Fellow Philip Deloria: Notes from the Charging Elk Sketchbook, 1940: A Dialogue on Art and Epistemology](#)

10/20, all day – Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center: [Museum Free Day](#)

10/20, 6 p.m. – Colorado Springs Conservatory: [Student Recital](#)

10/20, 7:30 pm. – Colorado Vocal Arts Ensemble: [Gateways: Opening Doors to the Choral Art](#)

10/20-22, times vary – Rocky Mountain Women's Film: [Rocky Mountain Women's Film Festival](#)

10/21, 2-5 p.m. – Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum: [Family Fall Crawl at Evergreen Cemetery](#)

10/21, follows evening mainstage performance – Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center Theatre: [Songs in the Key of J. with J. Chang-Tablada](#)

10/21-22, times vary – Colorado Springs Philharmonic: [Mozart and Prokofiev](#)

10/26-29, times vary – UCCS Lyda Hill Institute: [Arts & Resiliency Gathering](#)  
*Select Arts & Resiliency Gathering events (more online):*

10/26, 12-1:30 p.m. – [Self-Honoring Poetry Workshop with Ashley Cornelius](#)

10/26, 7:30 p.m. – [Reflections with Stephanie Winters & Chris Rosser](#)

10/27, 10-11:30 a.m. – [Caring for Caregivers Poetry Workshop with Ashley Cornelius](#)

10/27, 7:30 p.m. – [EnterPlay: An Immersive, Contemplative Concert](#)

10/28, 4-5:30 p.m. – [Revolutionary Joy Workshop with Ashley Cornelius](#)

10/28, 7:30 p.m. – [\(A\) Way Out of My Body with David Dorfman Dance](#)

10/29, 10-11:30 a.m. – [Sound Bath & Meditative Poetry with Katie Down & Ashley Cornelius](#)

10/26, 6-8 p.m. – UCCS Heller Center for Arts & Humanities: [Halloween Pumpkin Carving Night](#)

10/27, 2-4 p.m. – Pikes Peak Poet Laureate with Lighthouse Writers: [Queer Creatives Retreat Craft Seminar: Writing Queer Joy in Poetry with Ashley Cornelius](#)

10/28, 9 a.m. – Manitou Art Center: [Textiles Class: Indigo Vats with Melanie Audet](#)

10/28, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. – Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center: [In Conversation: Rosa Barba & Ann Reynolds](#)

10/28, 7 p.m. – Colorado Springs Chorale with Chamber Orchestra of the Springs: [Brahms Requiem](#)

10/28-11/19, times vary – Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center Theatre: [Ballooney](#)

11/01, 7:30 p.m. – Ent Center for the Arts: [Ent Center Cabaret: Tiffany Mills Dance Company](#)

11/01-02, 4-8 p.m. – Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center: [Dia de Muertos Celebration](#)

11/02-12, times vary – Butterfly Effect Theatre at Millibo Art Theatre: [The Belle of Amherst](#)