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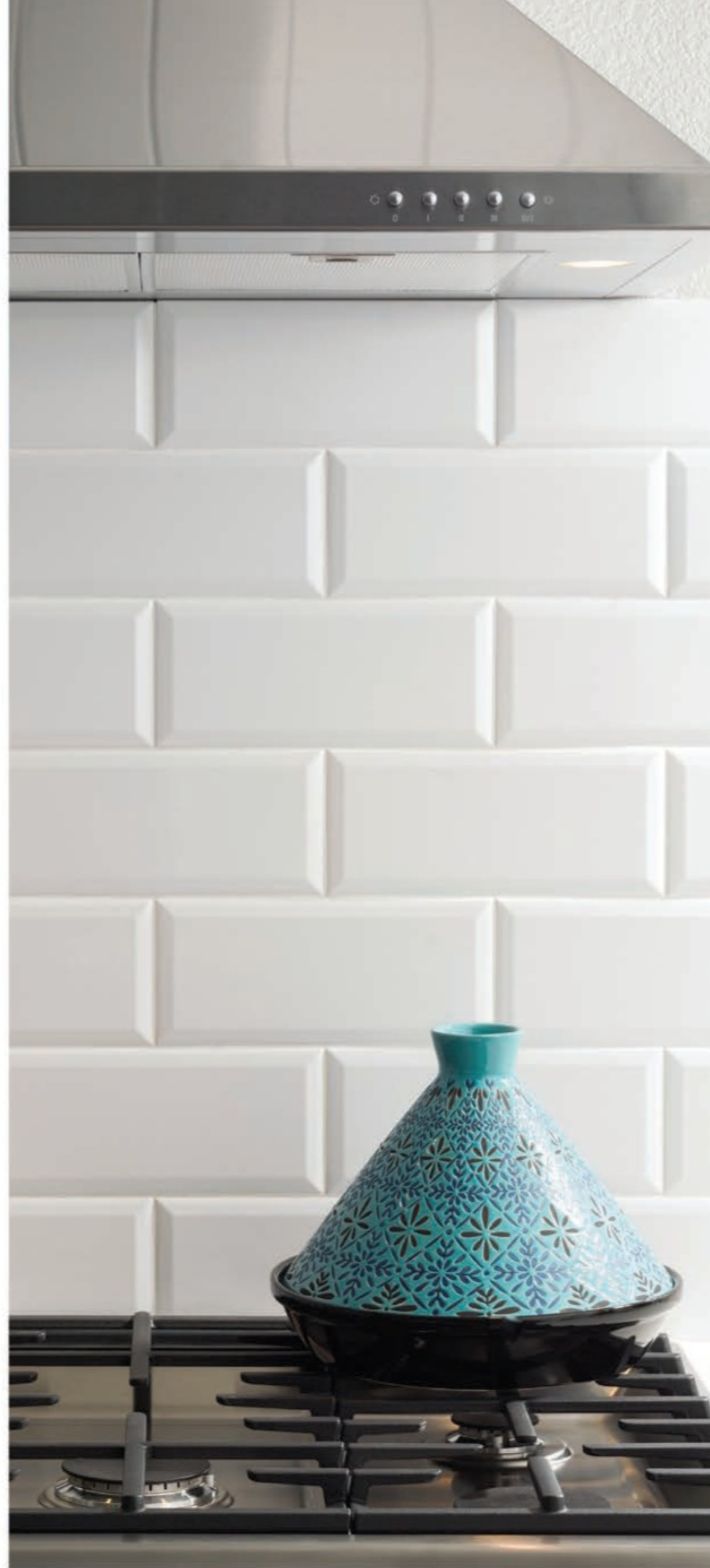
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In this Best of Denver issue, we put on our reporter hats and got the inside scoop on why Denver’s hot. We spoke to local culinary, arts, retail, and community experts to find out their must-see places around town. Check out “The Life & Styles of Denver” (p. 71). We also include a roundup of our amazing luxury neighborhoods, and newest property developments (p. 83), plus, all the best places to shop, dine, work, and play.

After all, making a conscious decision to get out and explore your community is what really makes a place fantastic. So, make sure to take advantage of what Denver has to offer in the urban center and the outskirts. There’s always something going on.

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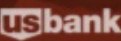
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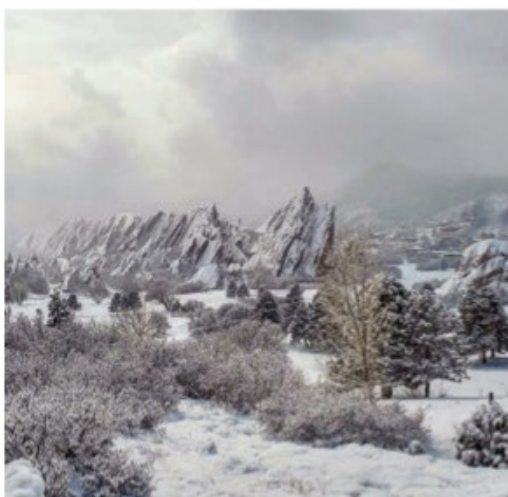
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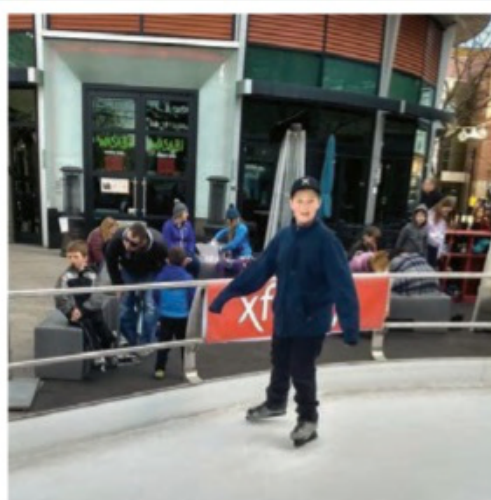
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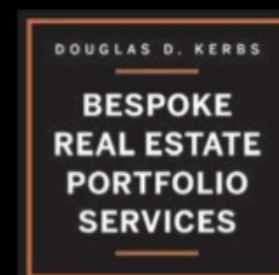
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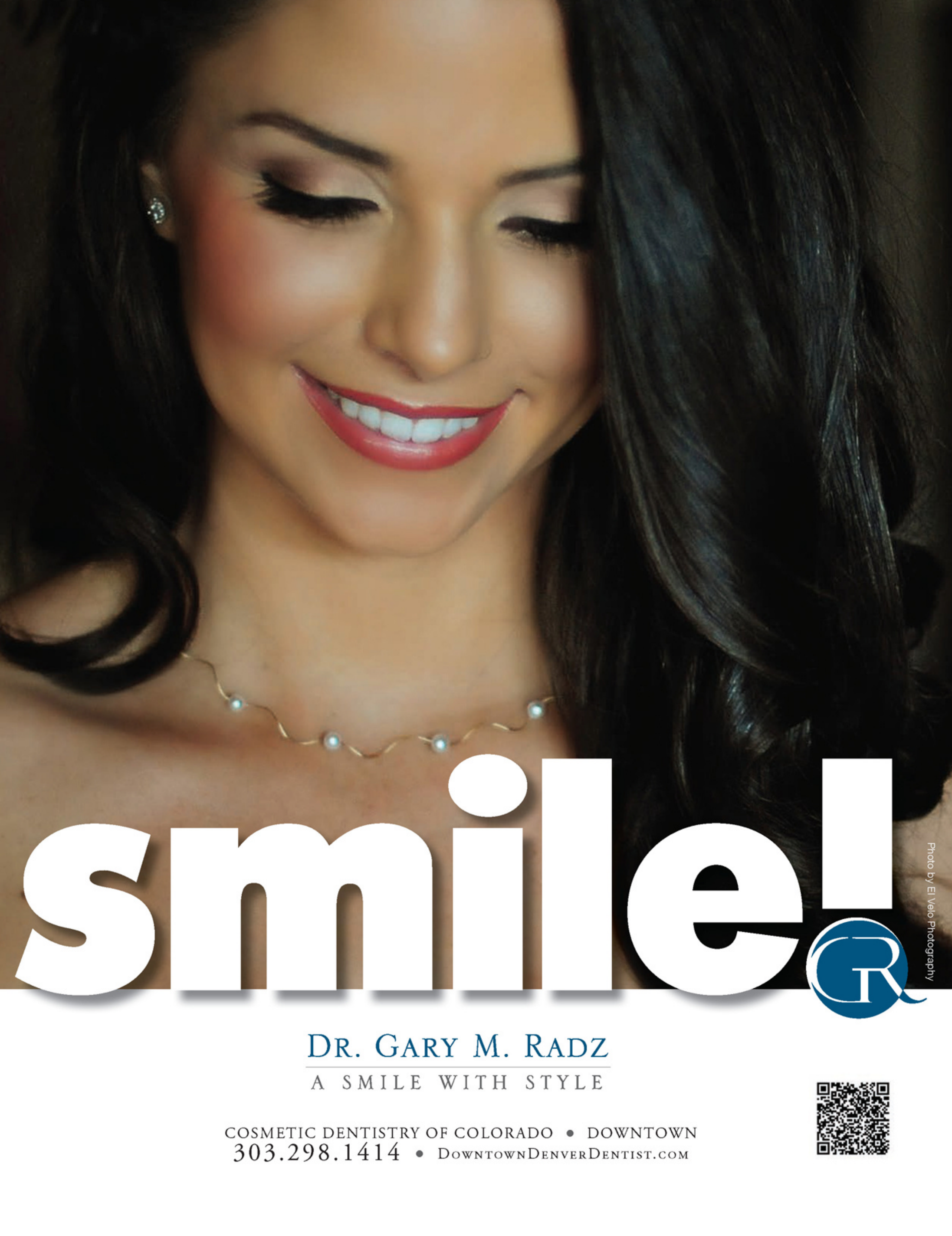


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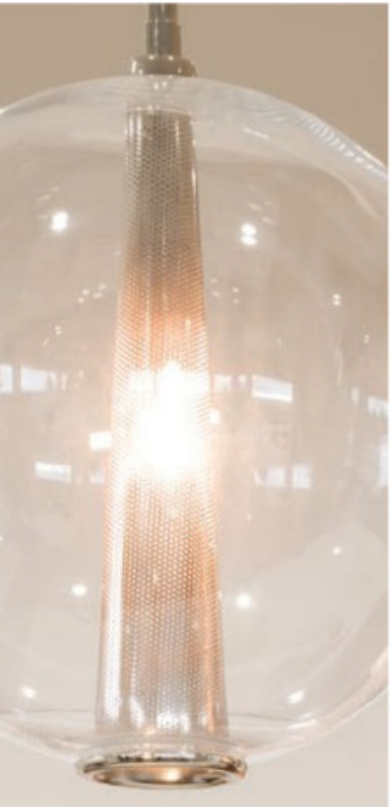
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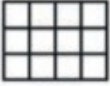
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The Snug opened its doors in 2004 and McLoughlin, who co-owns the pub with his brother Jim, says he's proud his pub is a mainstay in Capitol Hill. "We have great regulars, some who have been with us the whole time. It's such an eclectic neighborhood that has supported us since the beginning. So, if you want to experience a traditional Irish Hooley [a Hooley in Ireland means a party with traditional Irish music and dance] then come see us." There will be bands and Irish dancing throughout both March 14 and March 17. "Everyone has a great time. I am amazed at how good the dancers are at the Reed School of Irish Dance, and how much the crowds love them. It's a sight to see." —K.B.

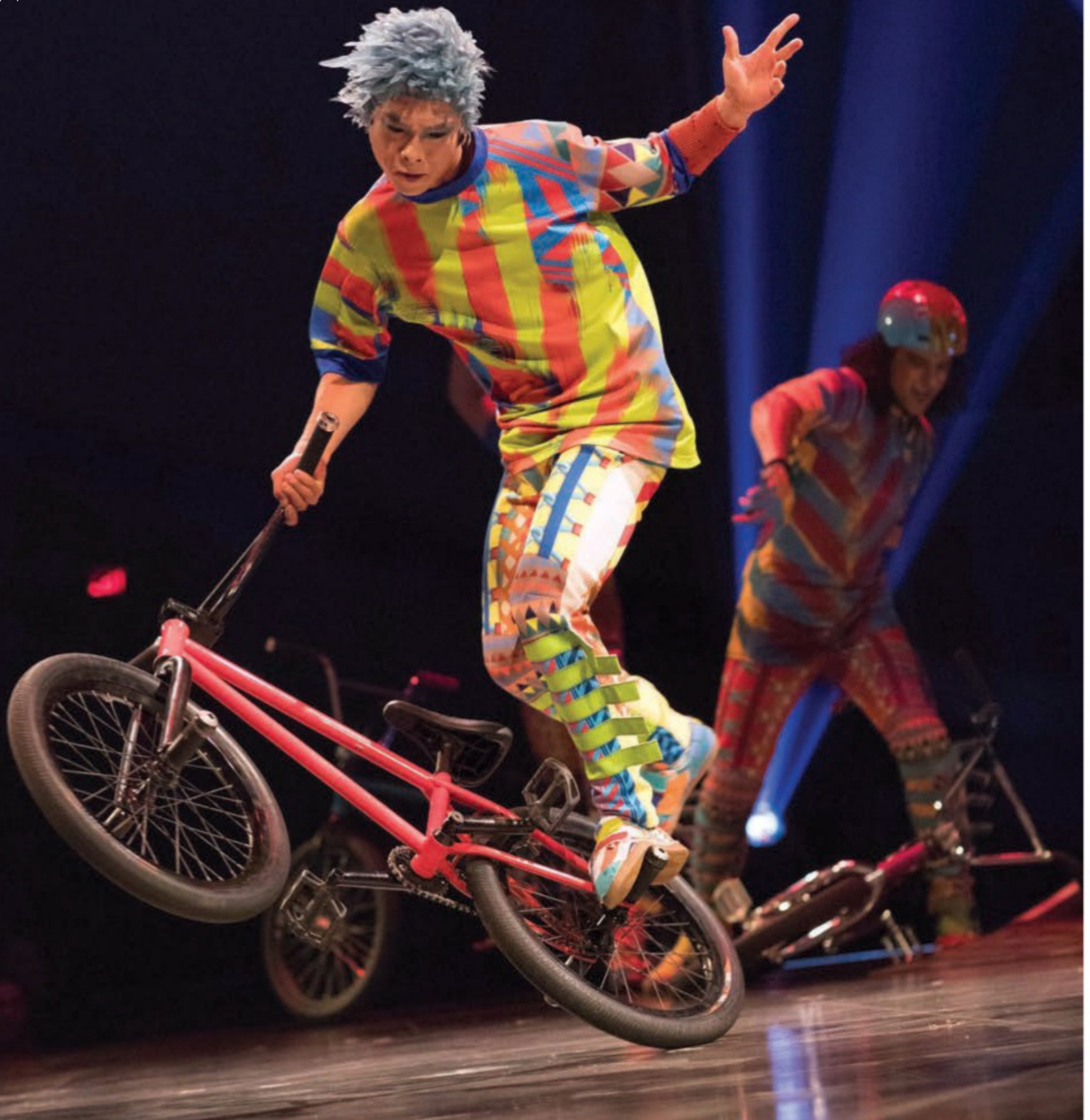
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Flying high

If you know anything about live stage performances, you've probably heard of Cirque du Soleil. Cirque du Soleil (which means "Circus of the Sun" or "Sun Circus" in French) originated in a small town near Quebec City in Canada in the early '80s. Today, the iconic entertainment business employs 4,000 people—including 1,300 artists from 50 countries—and generates annual revenue of approximately \$1 billion.

The next big thing to hit the thrilling Cirque roster is VOLTA, which stops in Denver April 30-June 7. What makes VOLTA unique is that it includes the energy, talents, and urban vibe of action sports athletes. Denver BMX Artist AJ Anaya is one of the performers to land a coveted spot. "I'm proud to be a part of a show that is breaking barriers. The tricks and stunts we perform represent freedom, liberation, and self-acceptance. It's all about positivity."



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Born in Chihuahua, Mexico, Anaya calls Denver his home. "My fondest memories growing up in Denver are all of the outdoor activities and BMX contests. My introduction to the world of BMX was attending a show at the Pepsi Center when I was a kid. So, coming back to Denver to perform at the Pepsi Center 20 years later is mind-blowing. Everything comes full circle."

Although he had a chance to play college baseball, Anaya decided his true passion was riding bikes. He's been on two wheels ever since he can remember, and has taken part in numerous shows and events including *America's Got Talent*, halftime shows for the NFL, NBA, and the NHL, and the Pan American Games. "It's really amazing to be a part of the first BMX freestyle cast in Cirque's history. I also love that our characters are depicting Free Spirits. I love the vibe."

Anaya is a new dad and, despite demanding tour schedules, spends as much time as possible with his new baby, friends, and family. When it comes to his props, he has no time for cheap equipment. "A big part of being a professional rider is knowing that my bikes are safe and I do everything in my power to perfect my craft. I have a custom bike from top to bottom with my own signature frame. Everything is really high tech, lightweight, and top of the line."

Above all, he's happy to combine his love of riding with live performance. "I was taught by my mom early on that you can do anything if you put your mind to it. The fact that Cirque du Soleil has opened its arms to include action sports is a testament to how innovative they are. It's also a real team effort with coaches and medical staff focused on the performers' health, nutrition, and safety." Anaya can't wait to perform at home. "Denver is where I grew up and is a big part of who I am as a person today."

—Kerrie Lee Brown

CONTESTS VS. LIVE SHOWS

"Competing and performing on stage are very different. There's a lot more pressure during contests because you're trying to win a title or trophy. However, when you perform in a show you're trying to win over the audience, which is a lot more fun. The best part is making the crowd laugh or smile when you put on a great show. But I must admit, it was tough at first to learn how to do choreographed tricks on a ramp with five other riders. There's a lot happening on the stage at once."

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HOW DO I FIT IN AT THE WATER COOLER WHEN EVERYONE ELSE IS SHARING TALES OF HIKES, BIKES, AND SNOWBOARDS?



I just moved to the foothills of Colorado from New York City, where I'd lived all my life. Everyone here seems so outdoorsy and adventurous, something that I'm not used to. I think my co-workers are a little tired of hearing me say, "I'm a city girl," when everyone is sharing Monday morning tales of weekends on the trails and slopes. What's the best way for me to get into the many outdoor activities that Colorado has to offer, without feeling like a total klutz?—Jordan, Golden

First of all, Jordan, have no shame in being a city girl. Just a few miles east of you is a big city full of culture, nightlife, and traffic. Please go to Denver whenever you are feeling nostalgic for the bright lights. If you're intrigued with the gorgeous peaks to the west, it's our suggestion that you shun testosterone for now and look to women for a more welcoming, less competitive indoctrination to whatever activity intrigues you most. On Meetup.com, for instance, there's the Women's Mountain Collaborative, which has more than 1,000 members and offers skills workshops to newbies; another meetup, Easy Riders, organizes easy bike outings for women in the Bear Valley and Platte River trail areas. According to Colorado Tourism, most ski resorts offer women's-only instruction, with Women's Wednesdays and events, like Wolf Creek Ladies Ski and Snowboard Clinics and, at Grand Junction's Powderhorn Resort, Ski Like a Girl. For climbing events, check out outdoorwomensalliance.com, and for hiking opportunities join @womenwhohike on Facebook. And for a little of everything, watch for the late-summer 2020 dates of the YMCA of the Rockies' Women's Adventure Camp, a four-day, three-night immersion at Camp Chief Ouray that will give you plenty to share on Monday morning.

Got a question? Send it to: editorial@denverlifemagazine.com.

I love that Denver has so many offerings in the arts. My husband, however, often gets grumpy and bored at—and even before—shows and concerts, even though he says he wants to go. How do I keep him from ruining these experiences for me?—Amy, Aurora

Hmm, let's get this straight: He's not saying, "Honey, I'll go if you really want me to," or, "If you can't get anyone else to see that with you, I'll go along." He's saying, "I've been dying to see *Mean Girls* on Broadway, but, guess what, it's coming to the Buell this month, let's go!" And then when show day arrives and you come downstairs all pretty and primped, he's on the couch in his jammies watching college basketball? Um, no, you say, that's not exactly how it goes. So think about exactly how it goes, because it's pretty clear from here that your hubby considers it a small favor to you to agree to go, an almost-too-big favor to actually go, and an impossible, unmanageable favor to go and act like he's having a good time. The best way to keep him from ruining your experiences is to find a theater-loving friend with whom you can plan these fun outings. The second best way: Fly solo. Tis better to enjoy a show or concert alone than to endure an evening with a grump, and he'll probably be much less of one when you come home with a big smile on your face.

FIVE RULES 5 FOR...

Surviving Allergy Season

Spring has sprung! We know you're relishing the warm weather—but maybe not so much the itchy eyes, runny noses, and congestion, otherwise known as hay fever. We've consulted with Jennifer Broome, a local weather expert, for tips and tricks to survive the allergy season.

① **KNOW THE TRIGGERS**

"Trees start first. They usually pollinate by late February and last into much of June." Pollen is usually highest from 5 a.m. to 10 a.m., so time your outdoor activities right. Be aware of the weather as well; high winds and rainstorms can cause pollens to be disturbed and released into the air.

② **TRY AN ALTERNATIVE TO MEDICINE**

A neti pot, which is a saline solution for nasal irrigation, won't make you drowsy like antihistamines. It removes mucus, bacteria, and reduces nasal swelling and dryness. Try it right before bed so you can breathe clearly and sleep more deeply.

③ **DON'T BRING IT INSIDE**

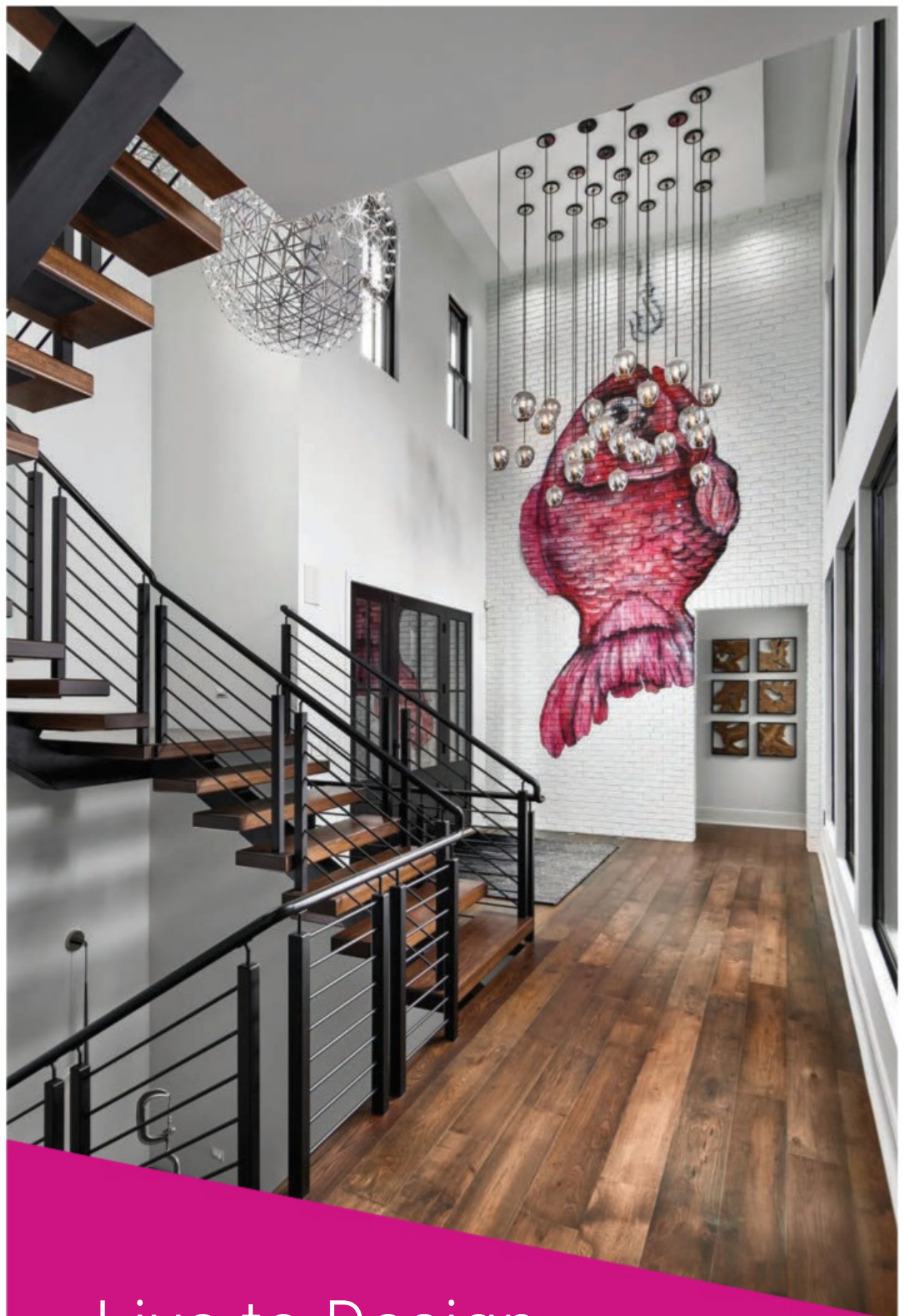
Broome suggests "putting dirty clothes in a hamper or laundry room, not in the bedroom." It's even best to shower off when coming inside. This will defend allergens from invading your home. "Consider keeping pets out of your bedroom as well, as they are usual suspects for tracking pollen inside."

④ **MEDICATE YOURSELF EARLY**

Once it hits 60 degrees F for three to four days, pollens start to permeate the air. If you medicate right away, you will prevent inflammation and swelling in the lining of the nasal canal. You shouldn't be taking your first dose of medicine on the first day of high pollen counts.

⑤ **GOOD AIR QUALITY IS KEY**

You'll want to invest in a HEPA-certified air filter and change it every six weeks or so during allergy season. This will trap the invading allergens, filtering out clean air. Just to be safe, you might want to keep your windows closed as well. —Sydney Feldhaus



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“Knowing that it’s not just a man’s sport is everything.”

—Dr. Lisa Hunsicker



Trading the scalpel for the wheel

PLASTIC SURGEON LISA HUNSICKER GETS HER KICKS RACING FAST CARS. BY SYDNEY FELDHAUS

Dr. Lisa Hunsicker isn’t your typical plastic surgeon. This Florida native, who has been practicing medicine since 1995, has found an uncommon pastime in competitive race car driving. She bought her first Porsche in 2012, joining the Porsche Club of America, and never looked back. She’s as fearless as they come, and it doesn’t bother her that she’s usually the only woman on the track. Hunsicker is here to tell you that she’s just like every other racer—she just wants to go fast.

Has racing always been a passion?

“Growing up, my dad had a 1972 Corvette and that was my introduction as a kid. It was fast and fantastic. It imprinted on me. He sold the car when I was in high school, and I was so angry. When I finished up my doctoral training, I immediately bought one for myself. I was on the car dealership lot and I called my dad, and he said, ‘Honey, I just can’t hear you. I don’t know

where you’re at.’ I kept revving the engine. ‘Oh, that’s the sound of my Corvette that you can’t hear me over,’ I said, laughing.”

Are there any similarities between racing and surgery?

“Yes and no. They are both very similar in that they take a lot of preparation, and safety is obviously top priority. Both require tremendous focus. However, the thing I like about racing is that it’s all about me. You have to be

present. When you’re not present in racing, you mess up really bad. It really forces you to focus on the moment. It’s very experiential. You can’t think about the past five minutes or five minutes into the future.”

What’s it like to be a woman in the sport?

“There aren’t very many of us, so it’s always awesome to see another female racer. In my experience, and I can only

speak for myself, it’s been great. Everyone goes out and helps everyone, even if you’re racing against each other. It’s never about guys and girls—you’re simply a racer. Gender isn’t an issue. It’s a community, and you become friends with people along the way.”

What do you wish people knew about the sport?

“A lot of people think that racing is only for the extremely wealthy. Depending on the level that you want to compete at, that’s not always true. It’s not as elitist as people think it is. It’s also important to know that it’s accessible for women. Knowing that it’s not just a man’s sport is everything.” **DLM**



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Looking for some places to spruce up your social media feed? We've compiled some of our favorites. Check them out this spring. BY GINNY TORY

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The Denver Skyline from the Denver Museum of Nature & Science Anschutz Family Sky Terrace



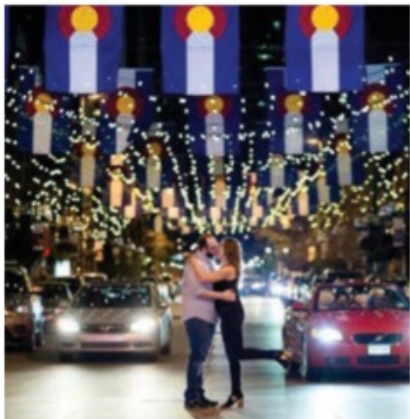
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The Mile High marker on the steps of the State Capital



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The sparkling lights of Larimer Square at night



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A cone from Bonnie Brae Ice Cream



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A marquee of an iconic Denver venue



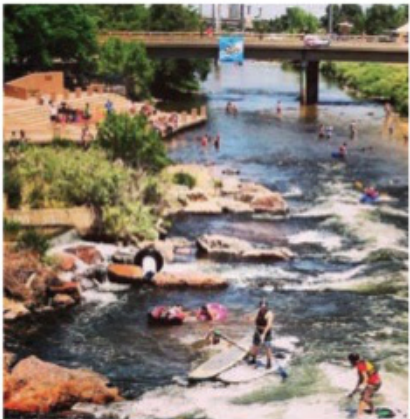
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The Pavilion at Cheesman Park



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Tubing down the South Platte River in Confluence Park



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Beer from a local micro brewery



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The Night Lights display on the Daniels & Fisher Tower



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A Between Us: The Downtown Denver Alleyways Project art piece



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Percent of wage and salary establishments with fewer than 50 employees

2.7

Percent increase of consumer spending on goods and services last year

21.6

Billion dollars in new construction to be spent this year

34

Projected percent growth of healthcare support jobs by 2028

1.9

Percent employment growth from 2019

3,400,00

Jobs expected to be created by 2028

2.6

Statewide unemployment rate as of October 2019

9

Consecutive years of positive economic growth

3.4

Projected GDP increase from 2019

6,300

Projected jobs added to the transportation, trade, and utilities sector this year

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Deeper than surface level

TAKE CARE OF YOUR SKIN, TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF: SIERRA GOLDSTEIN'S **H2a BOTANICALS** SHOWS YOU HOW. **BY SARAH JI-MEI LOFGREN**

It started with a body oil making kit. Sierra Goldstein, H2a Botanicals founder, likes to joke that that gift “created a monster,” because she finally was able to combine her love of science and holistic health. From there, she began making products in her kitchen and even disenrolled from high school to pursue a more project-based education, learning from herbalists and business people. Eventually, business partners and other people became involved, and H2a Botanicals came into being.

Overcoming challenges

"It took a lot of self-marketing and self-confidence to say, 'This is what I'm doing. Leaving high school doesn't mean I'm not learning. It means I'm learning a different way.' I still ended up getting my diploma, went to college, and finished a couple different degrees. I took a different route to the same end, in a way that allowed me to explore and to learn my style. I just thought there were other things I could be doing with my time other than being in a class eight hours a day. It doesn't really give you the space to pursue passions."

What sets H2a apart

"Two things: plant-medicine infusions and crystal infusions. We craft everything by hand. We're not using harsh chemicals. It's not being exported to a lab that's mass producing it. It's really intentional. We have total control over ingredients and suppliers, how it's being handled, and how it's made. There's a level of authenticity to it that other companies don't have. Simplicity is better. There are ways to get skin benefits in a more natural way instead of using chemicals, isolates, and things our skin doesn't recognize. Going back to basics, nature is science."

Goals for the future

"We work one-on-one with luxury spas and resort spas that use our products in their treatments. One of our main goals this year is to redefine the spa industry. There's something beautiful about taking time for yourself, but right now it's very surface level. We want to bring that idea deeper with great products, but also with the intention of the services and intention behind what self-care means to someone beyond making skin look better. We all feel the difference when we take care of ourselves on a deeper level."

New products

"We are developing a cleansing balm that we'll release this year. Our newest product is our essence roller. This is an essential oil roller with crystals in it. It has aromatherapy benefits, and it is an intention-setting tool. We have Be Beloved, Be Sacred, Be Delighted, and Be Worthy. It's bringing energy to your space and what you're doing with some intention on what you're going through on a daily basis. Each one has a different vibe and a different crystal." **DLM**



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Spring break's kid zone

COLORADO SKI RESORTS HAVE LINED UP NONSTOP FUN IN THE SNOW FOR ALL AGES. BY ERIN MALCOLM

Aspen Snowmass Ski Resort

When ski days end, the **Very Important Kids** program is a free way to make more memories with your littles through April 19. March is also the last month to experience **Ullr Nights**, the winter extravaganza where families can dance to live music, eat near the bonfire, and enjoy a variety of kid-oriented activities. aspensnowmass.com

Breckenridge Ski Resort

Safe yet challenging skiing for all children is offered at **Kid Adventure Zones** spread across the resort. While you're still on the mountain, take the kids for a ride on the **Gold Runner Alpine Coaster**. Afterward, there's more fun to be had at the **Mountain Top Children's Museum** at the base of Peak 9. Good news: The spring season is set to last through Memorial Day! breckenridge.com

WINTER WHITE CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: KEYSTONE KIDTOPIA, VAIL'S ADVENTURE RIDGE, AND STEAMBOAT VACATION CENTER

Keystone Resort

Visit this resort's **Kidtopia** for engaging activities the young ones will love. The program's rotating schedule will have you and your kids meeting avalanche rescue dogs one day and snowshoeing the next. Dazzle your family further with a **fireworks show** every Saturday night through March 21. keystoneresort.com



Purgatory Resort

Purgatory offers a "World's Best Spring Break" ski promotion during the month of March that will make your wallet as happy as the kids will be when they explore **Animas City Adventure Park** or hang out at **Kids' Night Out** for a parent-free evening of pizza, games, and movies on March 3 and 10. purgatoryresort.com



Steamboat Ski Resort

Keep the little ones busy all day with rides on North America's longest coaster, **The Outlaw Mountain Coaster**, and ski lessons and activities at the **Kids' Vacation Center**. Bonus: Kids 12 and under ski free with purchase of a five-or-more-day adult lift ticket. steamboat.com

Telluride Ski Resort

This southern resort's après ski for kids is a win for the whole family: Parents enjoy a child-free afternoon of their own, while children ages 5-12 are safely brought from ski school to **Kids Happy Hour** for hands-on, indoor activities like candle and collage making. tellurideskiresort.com

Vail Ski Resort

Thrill your intermediate skiers with **Kids Ski Adventure Camp**, a five-day ski experience where your children from ages 7 to 14 can learn from skilled instructors. For off-the-slopes family fun, visit the football stadium-sized **Adventure Ridge** where your family can enjoy ski bikes, tubing lanes, a kid's snowmobile track, and the Forest Flyer Mountain Coaster. vail.com

Winter Park Resort

Ski first, tube at the **Coca-Cola Tube Park** next, then drop the kiddies off at **Camp Idlewild's Kids' Night Out** for fun in the snow preceding crafts, movies, and pizza on Friday and Saturday nights through March 22. winterparkresort.com

KEYSTONE KIDTOPIA, VAIL RESORTS/DANIEL MILCHEV; STEAMBOAT SKI RESORT, LARRY PIERCE/STEAMBOAT SKI RESORT; VAIL ADVENTURE RIDGE, VAIL RESORTS/JACK AFFLECK

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A powerful gift

POLITE TUMOR'S NO-STRINGS \$5,000 AWARDS HELP EASE THE BURDEN OF BREAST CANCER PATIENTS UNDER 40

BY MARTHA BRINKMAN

“Cancer doesn’t discriminate, and neither do we,” says Elissa Brown, founder of the local nonprofit Polite Tumor. Founded in 2017, this organization offers financial assistance to women under 40 who have been diagnosed with breast cancer. Brown emphasizes that the organization strives to build community and offer support in the healing process, no strings attached.

Background

Brown was diagnosed with breast cancer at 31. After enduring a year of treatment, she launched Polite Tumor in 2017 as a response to the community that emotionally and financially supported her and that was critical in her healing process. She wanted to respond to the needs of young women, like herself, who are diagnosed with breast cancer. Brown and two friends started the organization and raised \$10,000 in the first two weeks. They built the brand on humor, gratitude, and giving back. Brown says, “Initially our board was all friends and family, and our community continues to be the people who supported me. From there it has grown to the community of people that Polite Tumor has supported.”

How it works

Polite Tumor works in two ways. The first is the creation and design of humorous “Thank You” cards and print work by artists and creatives throughout the country, which are sold on the website. The cards feature very breast pun-ny sentiments, such as “Thanks for Perking Me Up” and “Nip Nip Hooray!” allowing for a light-hearted perspective and wonderful way to share appreciation.

The organization also relies on traditional fundraising throughout the year. The biggest event is Polite Tumor’s Night of Humor in October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which features a local comedian. Brown says they’re planning to increase the number of events, like donation yoga and barre classes, to occur every other month. Everything goes toward funding their goal to help every Colorado woman under 40

diagnosed with breast cancer, and then beyond.

Who it helps

Polite Tumor works with providers throughout the Denver area to make the process as easy as possible. Brown says, “Our criteria focuses on getting providers to talk to their patients about their mental health as well as their financial wellbeing. From there, they refer patients to us, and we provide them the application.” Each grantee receives \$5,000 to use however she wishes. The amount the organization raises within a year determines the number of grantees. Brown says, “We want this grant to make an impact on somebody’s life. We’d rather serve less people in a more meaningful way than more people on a surface level.” Some women have used the funds to afford more holistic and naturopathic treatments; for fertility preservation; toward their deductible; for time with their family members; and, perhaps most important, for debt prevention.

How to get involved

Polite Tumor launched a new website in February that offers a portal for artists, and they’re always looking for people who care about the cause and want to fundraise or reach out and spread their mission. The website also features a link to donate directly. Don’t forget about their wonderful “Thank You” cards and prints that are available to purchase, too. If that’s not the tits, we don’t know what is! **DLM**



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Hours: 8 a.m.-7 p.m. M-Th; 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Fri-Sun. Through March 15 at the Sherman School, 200 Grant St.

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Mile High Face Off 2020 MARCH 4

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64th Annual Colorado RV, Sports & Travel Show MARCH 5

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entertainment

Oprah's 2020 Vision: Your Life in Focus MARCH 7

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home

Worldwide Antique and Vintage Show MARCH 13-15

● Swing by the Denver Mart and spend your weekend searching for treasured items from the past. Nearly 100 dealers from every corner of the U.S. will help you discover coveted items for your home. findyourantique.com

dance

Dancing with the Stars Live! 2020 Tour MARCH 18

● Watch your favorite *Dancing with the Stars* celebrities show off their best moves at the Paramount Theater. Valentin Chmerkovskiy, Alan Bersten, Witney Carson, and others from the show will be performing, as well as special guest Sailor Brinkley-Cook. altitudetickets.com

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Colorado Anime Fest MARCH 20-22

● Enjoy all things Japanese at the fifth annual Colorado Anime Fest located at Denver Tech Center. There will be anime photoshoots, video gaming, various panels, and a Manga library. Don't miss the special guests! coanimefest.com

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2020 Lucky Laces 1M/5K/10K & Little Leprechaun Fun Run MARCH 21

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music

Eagles: Hotel California 2020 Tour MARCH 26 AND 28

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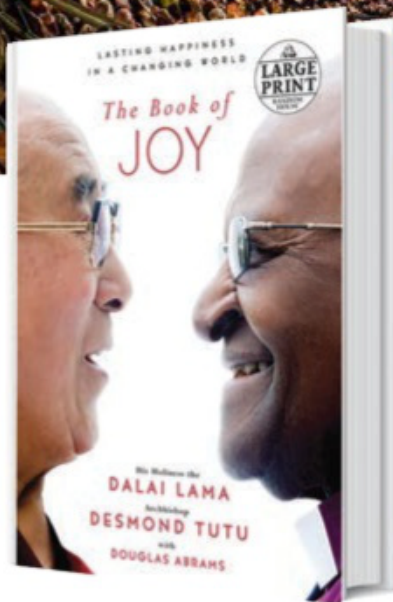
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Anything but classical music

HERE'S WHAT **BRETT MITCHELL**, MUSIC DIRECTOR OF THE COLORADO SYMPHONY, IS READING, SEEING, AND LISTENING TO. **BY SUSAN FORNOFF**



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MUSIC

1. I did not grow up playing Mozart since I was a fetus. I grew up in Seattle in the '90s, with **Nirvana**, **Pearl Jam**, **Soundgarden**. When **Billy Joel**, one of my all-time favorites, was at Coors Field last summer, we splurged on fifth-row tickets. We also enjoy going to **Dazzle** for jazz. Because it's what I do all day, very seldom do I ever listen to classical music for enjoyment.

BOOKS

2. I just read **The Book of Joy**, by the Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu, which was beautiful. I read a lot of leadership books and have found the best tend to be written by former coaches and players. My latest read was Bill Russell's **Russell Rules**. I have coming up **Eleven Rings** by Phil Jackson and Bill Walsh's **The Score Takes Care of Itself**.

THEATER

3. I'm the oldest of three boys, and at Christmas the middle brother decided instead of getting presents he wanted to take us to do something. We went to Seattle's Fifth Avenue theater and saw the out-of-town tryout of **Mrs. Doubtfire**. In June we're going to see **The Book of Mormon** at the Ellie. And we went to Colorado Springs to see **The Sound of Music** with a friend of ours playing Captain Von Trapp.

TV/MOVIES

4. We don't see too many movies in the theater. I'm a big **Star Wars** guy, so we did go see **The Rise of Skywalker**, not once but twice. We finished the new **Star Wars** TV series on Disney Plus, **The Mandalorian**, and finally watched **Game of Thrones** all the way through. We're now on **Stranger Things** and the next two on the docket are **Arrested Development** and **The Handmaid's Tales**.

ART

5. We saw the big **Monet exhibit** at the Denver Art Museum. I'm so glad it was a big success. Especially for those of us in the classical music world, we think of Monet as a visual impressionist, but we have impressionism in the music world: **Debussy** and **Ravel** are two musical impressionists. For someone spending his days with sonic impressionism, to spend some time with visual impressionism was so cool.



Brett Mitchell has served as Music Director of the Colorado Symphony since the 2017-18 concert season. He also is in demand as a guest conductor, most recently making his debut at the Hollywood Bowl with the Los Angeles Philharmonic in September 2019. He and his wife, Angela, live in the foothills.

The background is a wall composed of several rectangular panels of different fabrics and patterns. From top to bottom, the panels include: a solid light grey, a dark blue/black fabric with horizontal bands of intricate white patterns, a solid dark grey, a light blue-grey fabric with a small repeating geometric pattern, a solid dark blue, and a grey fabric with a vertical zigzag pattern. In the foreground, there are three pieces of furniture: a dark blue armchair with a curved back and dark legs on the left; a light purple armchair with a quilted diamond pattern and dark legs in the center; and a cylindrical ottoman with a bold black and white geometric pattern on the right.

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mixed media artist

Kaitlyn Tucek

Kaitlyn Tucek has become a strong, proudly female force in the Denver art community. She grew up in Long Island, N.Y., and began her art career at 14 under the mentorship of illustrator Jeffrey K. Fisher. She then attended Pratt Institute, received her master's from Queens College, and worked in education and at museums including New York's



Metropolitan Museum of Art and Museum of Modern Art, and Denver's Denver Art Museum and Clyfford Still. Eventually, after her son was born, she became a full-time artist. "I think all those things really influence my work today," Tucek says. "There are a million causes, a million things you feel strongly about, but, personally, I think I'm most capable speaking for women."

What drives your art?

"I think my work is driven by stories and storytelling rather than more formal things like color or composition. I think those things matter, but I think if I'm going to make art, it needs to serve a purpose. Not everyone has to do that. That's just what feels right for me."

Would you view yourself as a feminist?

"I definitely consider myself a feminist and for the equality of people in general. I don't want to just paint selfishly. I don't want to paint pretty pictures and put them on a wall, but instead maybe use my work to help people. I'm always thinking about how things affect women, how we experience things, and from all my knowledge of history, I think women's experiences aren't represented enough. Even if it's not my experience but it's another's, I hope to keep making representations of women's experiences to normalize them, to make them something that another woman can walk up to and say, 'I understand that. I relate to that.' That means something to me."

What are you currently working on?

"I've dealt with experiencing death in my life. I lost my father eight years ago, and recently I lost my grandmother. My daughter was born with heart defects, so things were scary for a while. I think this year when I started researching the artist Artemisia Gentileschi, the idea of death came up a bunch. It started to gnaw at me, it kept floating up to the surface. I'm thinking about how we deal with death, how we grieve as humans, and different cultural practices and especially objects—like memento moris—that start to really take on a story or a whole meaning/personification of somebody. Now I'm initiating portraits of different individuals with these objects."

Where do you display your art?

Tucek's work was featured in an exhibition last year at the Leon Gallery and was included in Pink Progression, a group showing in celebration of the Suffragette movement. From June 4 to Aug. 23, the Arvada Center will stage an exhibition of her art.

—By Sarah Ji-Mei Lofgren

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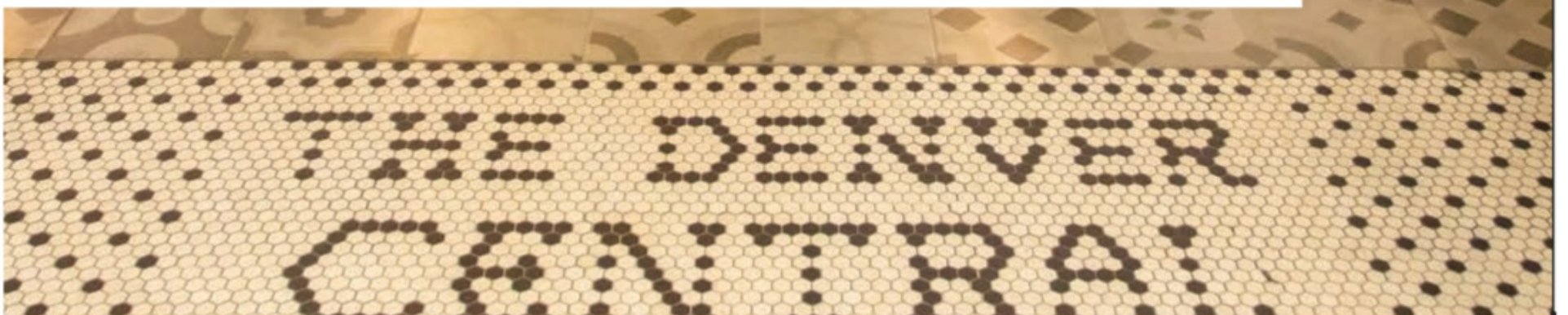


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Dining might not be the first thing that comes to mind when traveling through a bustling flight hub like **Denver International Airport**, but—with the turbulence it's making in the airport restaurant industry—it should be. Wanderu ranked DEN the #1 U.S. airport for food, and some of its 67 restaurants lay claim to accolades by the 2019 Airport Food and Beverage Conference and Awards. Explore Concourse A's Denver Central Market to get a taste of the Best Regional Airport Food Hall of the Year, or fly through Concourse C to experience globally-influenced, farm-to-table Root Down, winner of Airport Health-Centered or Vegan Offer of the Year. New eateries like Mercantile (Concourse A) and Osteria Marco (Concourse B) are expected to land in the next year or so.—*E.M.*

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Best of the best in Colorado

QUTORI WINERY'S 2017 SYRAH TAKES HOME THE GOVERNOR'S CUP IN THE NEW WINERY'S FIRST COMPETITION. **BY SUSAN FORNOFF**

It was supposed to be a big secret that the experts had chosen Qutori Winery's 2017 Syrah "Best in Show" among all entries and winners in the Colorado Wine Board competition.

But Qutori's owners, Julie, Richard, and their winemaker-son Kyle, hardly blinked last fall at Colorado Uncorked when their names were called. "Everyone had been telling us, 'This is the best wine I've tasted here,'" says Julie. "So I guess we didn't seem surprised."

The Bennetts are, however, thrilled at the recognition their two-year-old winery has been receiving, including three medals for their signature Pinot Noirs. They had operated a liquor store in Winter Park when Julie decided she'd like to live someplace warmer and found the former Sky Hawk Winery property in Paonia.

"Paonia's a special little place, with weather like Denver's, and there was this 35-acre property with four acres of cherry orchard and four acres of Pinot Noir, at 5,800 feet (altitude). Then we bought an old liquor store just across from that, which we revamped into our Root and Vine Market, with wine tasting. The winery is behind that and we're adding on so that we can have events."

About that name: Julie and Kyle, 28, did some Googling that uncovered Qutori as meaning "leadership and creativity" in numerology. It follows that Kyle's leading the way with medal-winning wines and Julie's creating new labels with each vintage.

There wasn't much of that Governor's Cup winner (\$30 a bottle) left when we went to press, but Kyle says this month's 2018 bottling, made like the 2017 vintage with grapes from Whitewater Hill in Palisade, could prove a worthy successor.

In any case, Julie says, "We're thrilled that our wine got recognized. We got a trophy! It's awesome." **DLM**



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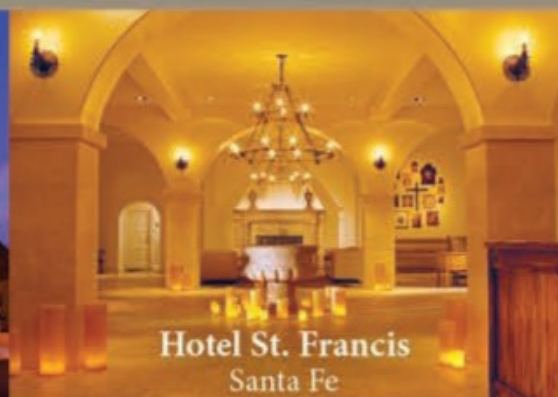
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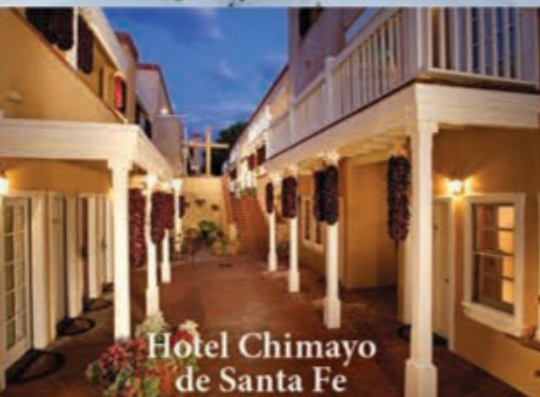
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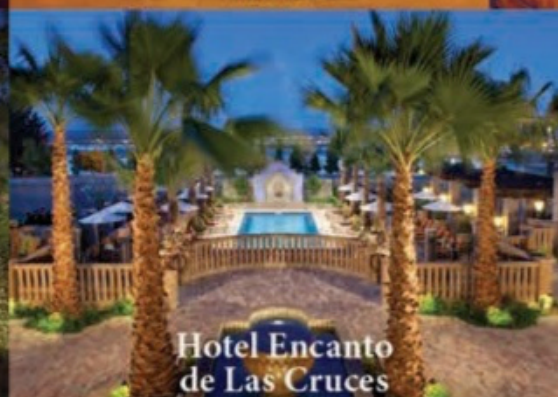
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Coohills Chocolate Chip Cookies

INGREDIENTS

- 8 oz. butter, softened
- 1¼ c. brown sugar
- ¼ c. granulated sugar
- 1 Tbsp. molasses
- 2 medium eggs
- 2 c. all-purpose flour
- 1 Tbsp. kosher salt
- 1½ Tbsp. baking soda
- 1½ c. Ghirardelli 60% Dark Chocolate Chips
- Maldon salt (or flaky sea salt) for finishing

DIRECTIONS

Pull the butter from the fridge the night before making. The next day combine butter, brown sugar, and granulated sugar in mixing aid with paddle. Mix on medium speed until smooth, about 3 minutes. In a separate bowl, whisk the molasses and eggs until combined. Add the egg mixture to the butter mixture and mix on low speed until combined, scraping down the sides occasionally. Mix flour, salt, and baking soda together. Add to butter mixture until just combined. Add all chocolate chips and mix for one minute. Let dough rest overnight. The next morning, preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Divide the dough into 12 pieces (or 24, if you want smaller cookies), rolled into balls. Top cookies with a pinch of Maldon salt. Bake for 8 minutes and turn, bake for 4 more minutes. The tops will be light in color but the bottom of the cookie will be golden brown, assuring fully baked cookies. Enjoy!



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“It’s all about the whipping of the butter. Doing this for three minutes creates a lot of air that goes into the cookie itself, so it becomes a lot lighter than you’d think it would be.” —Nikki Baldacci, executive pastry chef for Coohills and Frank & Roze

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how-to

5 rules for baking at altitude

*Old family recipe? Dish you found online?
Here's how to tweak it.*

Coo Hills and Frank & Roze executive pastry chef Nikki Baldacci, whose divine chocolate chip cookie fills our Dish page this month, loves the recipes she finds in *Baking Illustrated*, a modern classic from America's Test Kitchen. There's just one problem.

"If you were to get a recipe from *Baking Illustrated*, or anywhere online, they're typically not altitude-adjusted," she says. "Here at 5,280 feet, we have to adjust every recipe."

Baldacci began aspiring to be a pastry chef when she was a little girl, and started working in kitchens at 15. She got her culinary degree from Johnson & Wales, so she can explain in detail the science behind the required adjustments. What amateurs need to remember: 1. Any recipe using baking soda, baking powder, or yeast needs a tweak; 2. At our elevation, evaporation happens more quickly and baked goods can dry out if left in the oven too long.

LIVING HER DREAM NIKKI BALDACCI STARTED BAKING AS A LITTLE GIRL.



Here are her five rules for baking luscious, moist cookies, cakes, muffins, and breads at a mile above sea level.

1. Increase oven temperature at least 15 degrees Fahrenheit, up to Baldacci's preference: 25 degrees. This means your dish will bake faster and you can remove it in less time—before drying starts.
2. Increase your flour by about 2 tablespoons per baked-goods recipe.
3. Increase your liquids by 3 tablespoons to compensate for evaporation. "Liquids" includes water, milk, oil, and eggs. "When you bake a cake or muffin and you pull it out of the oven and it looks really beautiful and 2 seconds later it falls, it doesn't have enough structure," she says. "Eggs help, so I increase them. Just crack a medium egg, whisk it all together, then take two-thirds of that and pour it into your batter."
4. Decrease your sugar by 1 tablespoon per cup. "This helps prevent collapsing," she says.
5. Decrease baking powder and baking soda by 50 percent, and yeast by 25 percent.

Baldacci says sometimes her prize student (her mom!) follows all these rules, and comes to her lamenting, "My cake is still falling." Here's one last-ditch trick: Substitute 25 percent of your all-purpose flour with whole wheat flour (for one cup of flour: $\frac{3}{4}$ c. AP flour, $\frac{1}{4}$ c. whole wheat) for more protein. With that comes more structure.—S.F.



happy hour
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THE SCENE: Ultreia occupies a cozy corner of Union Station that spills onto a lovely, planter-lined, heated patio. You don't have to snag one of the comfy bar seats to enjoy what might be the most gourmand-friendly happy hour in town; it's "Tapas Happy Hour" throughout the two-level Spanish/Portuguese restaurant.

WHAT TO DRINK: Choose from a \$5 list that includes a house red, white, or rosé; a house-made sangria; gin tonic, Ultreia's specialty cocktail; or vermouth—or opt for a \$2 short pour (a 10-ounce glass) of the day's beer.

WHAT TO EAT: The list of eight \$3 tapas represents a delectable, shareable sample of Ultreia's menu. We tried: the melt-in-your-mouth Bikini, a grilled mini-sandwich oozing with manchego, jamón serrano, and truffle mayo; Pan con Tomate, a smaller version of a menu item made of pan de cristal (an exquisitely light bread) topped with tomato, olive oil, and salt; Pulpo Gallego, stunningly tender octopus; the must-have Piquillo Rellenos (peppers stuffed with Tetilla cheese); and the star of the table, Tacos de Lechuga (a mushroom ceviche scooped onto little gems leaves). Look for a flavor-packed fried shrimp trio we're hoping will join the list this spring.—Susan Fornoff

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news BITES

○ Look for big changes on South Pearl St., where the move of **Jack's Uptown Grille** into the old **Tavern** space leads the way for more restaurant turnover ahead.

○ Pizza and beer and...donuts? **Hops & Pie** owners Drew and Leah Watson are opening their Tennyson St. taproom mornings to serve the unique flavors of **Berkeley Donuts**.

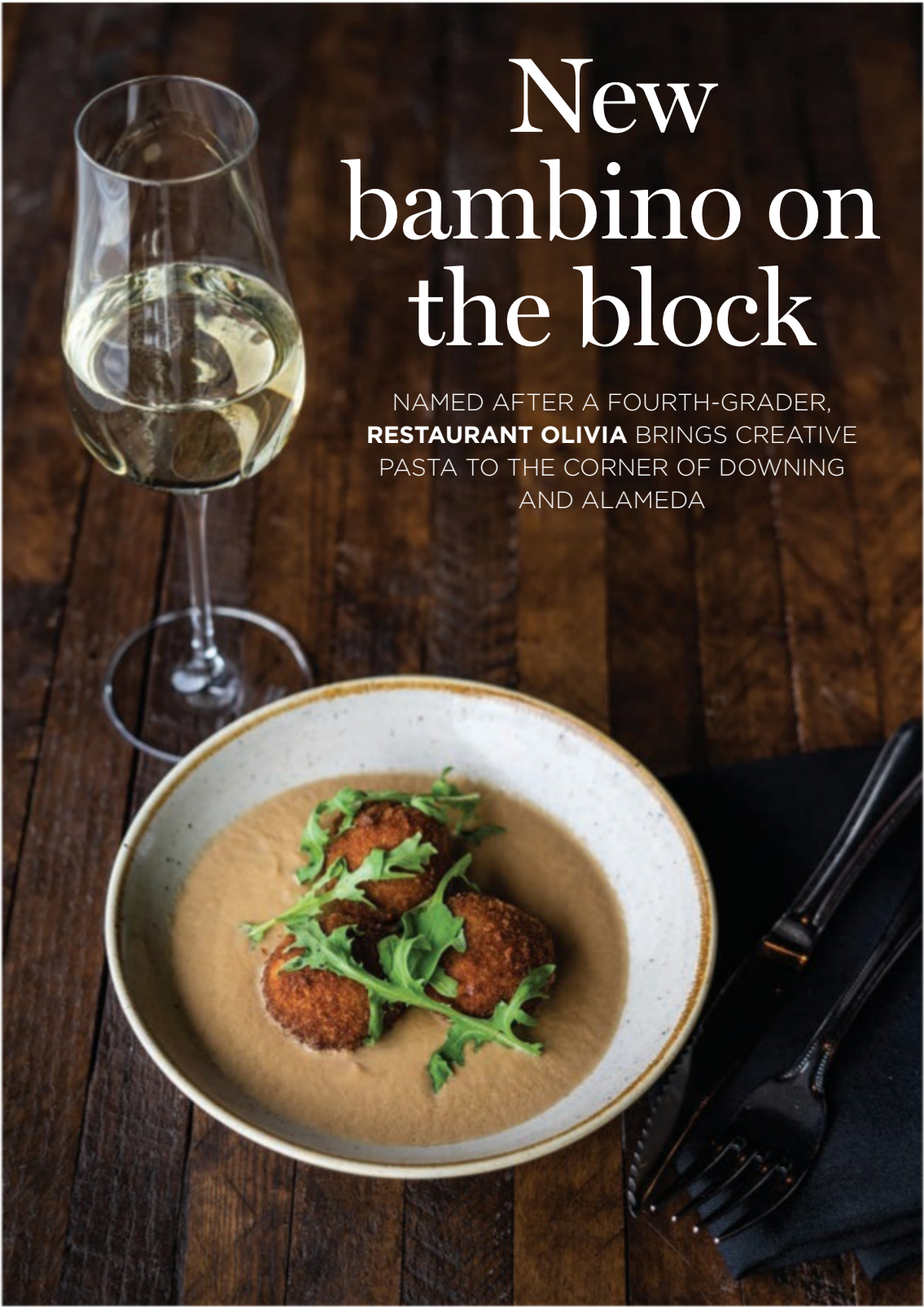
○ Chef Jesusio Silva has opened **Broadway Gardens** (salads and smoothies) and **Tacos al Chile** (street tacos) inside Broadway Market, replacing **Wonder**.

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Restaurant Olivia

Pasta and creative Italian

- Credit a fourth-grader with the transformation of five-year-old, north-of-Wash-Park Café Marmotte into a ristorante.

The trio that opened Bistro Georgette, acclaimed for its Croque Madame and other French classics, apparently was so bewitched by Italy-loving Olivia Hartley, they turned their newly acquired French spot into a pasta destination and named it after the youngster.

Judging from the Wednesday night we visited, Restaurant Olivia already has bewitched a neighborhood that had taken to French cuisine. The magic spell consists of seven starters, eight pastas, and three entrees.

Appetizers reach far beyond the standard “soups and salads,” and should not be skipped. The French Onion Arancini (\$16), Olivia’s nod to Marmotte, is less a soup than a delectable French onion sauce accompanying fried balls of rice. The Risotto Cacio E Pepe (\$18) melts in your mouth and is meant to be shared, and the Seared Foie Gras (\$24) exemplifies chef Ty Leon’s creativity—and the baking of Olivia’s mother, hospitality director Heather Morrison—by presenting a tiny loaf of Heather’s banana bread with bacon and madeira jus alongside foie gras and madeira gelato.

It’s a show stopper, but don’t stop. Four of the pastas are said to be appetizer size, but light eaters will find the toasted Gnocchi (\$22) sufficient and the Cappelletti (\$24) ample, the latter with braised rabbit and wild mushrooms in a brown sauce. Entrée-size Lobster Spa-

ghetti (\$38) is a winning carryover from the team’s Marmotte menu, flavored with black truffle, mascarpone and a hint of lemon. And what might have been coq au vin in its French form has become the hit of the menu, Chicken Marsala (\$38), served with cheesy mashed potatoes, pickled shallots, and the only green we spotted on the elegantly white premises, kale.

The simplicity, creativity, and elegance of Olivia’s menu carries over to its beverage program. Partner Austin Carson oversees the lists, where negronis and their “relatives” star and sparkling wines cover a full page because, our server tells us, “Sparkling wine is food friendly and it’s fun!” Austin is the team’s mad scientist: Look in the small print of the dessert list for exquisite concoctions like Salted Caramel Sherry, House Lemoncello, and Brown Butter Madeira.

The latter is paired with Bombelonni (\$15), little donuts filled with brown butter pastry cream and brown butter sugar. “Oh, we can’t have that,” we agreed. Now we’ve had it and we can never not have it. We suspect Olivia was in on that too.—*Susan Fornoff*

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PASTA PLUS UNIQUE OFFERINGS SERVED IN THE BEAUTIFUL DINING ROOM INCLUDE, CLOCKWISE STARTING AT TOP LEFT: FOUR FLAVORS OF NEGRONI, FRENCH ONION ARANCINI, CHICKEN MARSALA SHOWN WITH GNOCCHI (ALSO ABOVE), AND THE SEARED FOIE GRAS WITH BANANA BREAD AND MADEIRA GELATO.

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Topped with quality ingredients, there’s not a bad option. Our party tried the Prosciutto & Arugula (\$8.50), Diavola (\$8), and Mais (one of five white pizzas, with mozzarella, crème fraîche, ham, corn, and garlic oil, \$8.50); each eater chose a different favorite but liked all three.

There are local beverages in the case alongside grab-and-go salads and taps dispense Pretzel Assassin Amber Lager, Frico Bianco and Frico Rosso wines, and the seasonal spritz (vodka with ginger beer, blood orange juice, and basil the day we visited). For a special treat, try the housemade prosciutto, which comes sliced paper-thin on a machine from Italy.

We’d save 220 calories for one of the tiny, \$1.80 servings of budino (butter-scotch pudding), or spring for the Nutella pizza (\$3) for an unconventional dessert. Hey, didn’t we tell you, it’s all about the pizza at Pizzeria Locale?—*S.F.*

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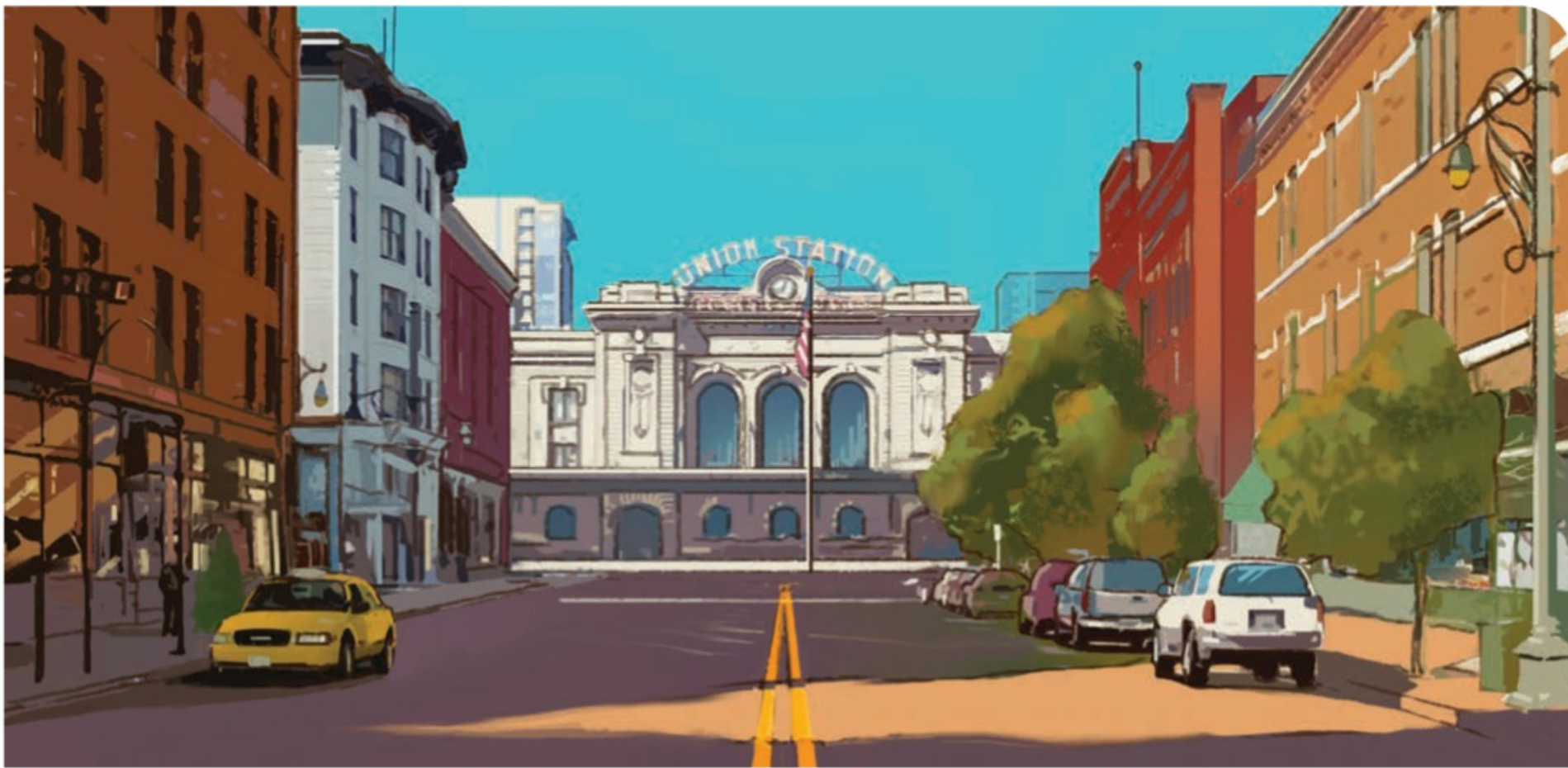
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We talked to four local experts who love the city just as much as we do. Find out where they work, play, dine, and shop. Plus, get the inside scoop on Denver's best places to visit.

**Food, Art, Retail,
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BY KERRIE LEE BROWN

Making an impact

Alex Seidel
ON LOCATION AT ANNETTE

When you're the recipient of a prestigious James Beard Foundation Award, you know you've made it. But, when I met with Alex Seidel at one of his favorite eateries to talk shop, he said he still had so much more to do.

He's incredibly humble. "Cooking for over 30 years has pushed me to perfect my craft as a chef, but I am inspired to do bigger things. I want to give back."

Despite his nonchalant attitude about his own amazing accomplishments (he owns three top restaurants including Mercantile Dining & Provision, a restaurant and European style market located in Denver Union Station) he visually beams when asked about comradery among his peers. "I'm not the only one trying to make an impact. Paul Riley, Caroline Glover, and Kelly Whitaker, to name a few, we are all in this together."

More than ever, Alex is immersed in the idea of farm to table, and says Colorado is finally on the map. "Just like



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Why we met at Annette:
 “Caroline is an absolute star. We have the same principles about farm to table, and we share responsibilities getting our message about creating a better food community. We are very like-minded that way.”

—Alex Seidel



HONORS Alex won the James Beard Foundation Award in 2018 for “Best Chef Southwest.”

in Denver in the fall. He’s on the advisory board and says this spectacular food festival showcases all that our region has to offer. “It’s a great way for families to celebrate food with us and learn about what our industry is doing to bring awareness to our environment, culture, and so on. It’s so impactful because everyone can contribute to bettering our systems.”

As a top chef and proprietor in the Mile High City and across the state, Alex wants to ensure his next move is to make an even bigger impact. “Besides sourcing locally, I believe the role of the restaurant is to provide our consumers with the best eating experience possible. Today people are a lot more conscious about what fuels their body; and dining healthy is the ultimate goal.”

At the end of our interview, he added:

“I really want to make sure Caroline Glover, the owner of Annette, gets the credit she deserves for being a trailblazer in the culinary scene here in Denver. She’s amazing at what she does and I can’t say enough about her aspiration to create positive change and awareness in the food and farming industry in Colorado.”

—Kerrie Lee Brown



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DID YOU KNOW?

In 2019, **Caroline Glover**, owner of Annette, was named one of the 10 Best New Chefs in America by *Food and Wine Magazine*.

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slowfoodnations.org

→ California is known for its wine, and the East Coast is known for its lobster—Colorado garners a favorable reputation for its ability to source fresh foods from local farmers to the restaurants. It’s all about the processes we have here.”

His priority is to solidify sustainable relationships between restaurant, farm, and market. “Denver has a strong voice in the food world,” he says, “I think it’s vital

that we push our efforts to bring awareness to the food systems here in Colorado. There is a lot of opportunity and we are seeing a lot of food inventors, restaurateurs, and culinary experts coming here to learn about we do. It’s just the start of elevating the food scene even more.”

Alex is referring to one of the biggest international food events, Slow Food Nations, that is held here

Fine Food Stats

4

Denver’s ranking among Zagat’s most exciting food cities in 2017

11,800

Approximate number of restaurants in Colorado

13

Billions of dollars of restaurant sales exceeded in 2019

285,000

Number of workers employed in Colorado’s food service industry

75

Percentage of Colorado restaurants that are independently owned and operated

1893

Year Denver’s oldest restaurant opened: Buckhorn Exchange, in Lincoln Park

11,966

Feet, elevation of Colorado’s highest restaurant: Alpine Vino in Telluride

2

Ranking in U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation’s list of America’s most food-truck friendly spots

1935

Year the cheeseburger was invented in Denver

EAT, DRINK, & ENJOY

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UNCLE

A simple, neighborhood restaurant with a fresh take on a Japanese staple, ramen. You’ll want to try its long-simmered broths and variety of Asian-inspired dishes that are some of the best in the city.
uncleramen.com

HUDSON HILL

This dynamic space is both a coffee shop and cocktail

bar. It serves some of the best coffee and specialty cocktails in Cap Hill, along with some tasty bites.
hudsonhilldenver.com

RUN FOR THE ROSES

This ultra-trendy spot hides beneath the Dairy Block. It takes a fresh spin on the classic cocktail club and is home to many rare spirits.
rfrbar.com

LATE NIGHT PICK PETE’S KITCHEN

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petesrestaurants.com

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deathandcompany.com

HUCKLEBERRY ROASTERS

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huckleberryroasters.com

RETAIL

Surviving & thriving

Terri Garbarini ON LOCATION AT HW HOME

Terri Garbarini owns the high-end women's fashion store Garbarini in Cherry Creek North—although she opened her first store in Larimer Square in 1985. "The biggest thing I've learned over the years is that you have to evolve as the industry evolves." It's no secret that Terri is a survivor in the fashion space while many smaller shops have closed; she emphasizes that it's because she's had to accept change and go with the flow.

"You always have to prepare for the next generation of customers. The women who shop in my store have grown up and now their daughters are coming in—but they have different wants and needs." She stresses that nowadays they have technology at their fingertips, which makes their shopping experience different.

"(Millennials) tend to Google the latest style trends or search 'fashion' on Pinterest, instead of window shop like the old days, so I have to be creative.

For instance, I ask my customers how I can make their experience better."

Terri looks outside her shop to keep things fresh. "Since I have to reinvent everything twice a year, I like to visit my favorite furniture stores, local spas, and even the Botanic Gardens for inspiration."

While Terri is a pioneer in retail, she does have some advice for new shop owners who are trying feverishly to keep up with leasing prices in the area. "Don't be afraid to make mistakes, and try something out of the box like a new designer. Relationship building is also crucial. The

early years for me were really overwhelming because when you're small, you have to be your own HR, PR, and marketing person. You learn as you go."

Terri has taken a lot of risks over the years. When she purchased her building in 2013, it was a huge turning point. "I used to only carry shoes and accessories and kept it pretty small. Then, I opened a store in Cherry Creek Mall, but after a 3-year lease, I decided to expand with a larger store and more clothes. You have to take advantage of what's in front of you." Terri also points out that women are natural-

Why we met at HW Home:

We met Terri at her favorite home and décor store, HW Home, which has been in business for two decades and in the Cherry Creek location for 15 years.

born gatherers and love to enjoy things. "I reminisce about window shopping with my mom. It was a visual experience and I think that's missing today."

On that note, Terri fears for new retailers because there's so much competition. "They're struggling to keep their doors open, but at the same time, I know I'll eventually

have to move to a rigorous online platform to keep up. It's all about survival. The reality is that leases are expensive, especially in Cherry Creek. With that being said, I have to give mama and papa shops credit for following their passion. I, like them, will continue to push our businesses forward."

—Kerrie Lee Brown

GARBARINI
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shopsheaonline.com

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modaman.com

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women. They make it easy to look good while being sustainable.

judithandjoeshop.com

COMMON THREADS

Want that designer bag but don't want to spend

the money? This women's designer consignment shop is perfect for you.

shopcommonthreads.com

FM BOUTIQUE

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and local businesses so you're sure to leave the store with some new knowledge.
youarefm.com

TOPO DESIGNS

This Colorado native company has spread their products across the state. Check out their cool packs and bags online or in person. Stores in Denver, Boulder, and Fort Collins.
topodesigns.com

BILLIE

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shopbillie.com



ON TERRI'S LIST

HW HOME
hwhome.com



AVIANO COFFEE

"I'm also a huge fan of Aviano coffee—which is conveniently located across the street from my store."
avianocoffee.com

EL TACO DE MEXICO

"I love Mexican food. One of my favorite spots is El Taco de Mexico on Santa Fe. There's no alcohol and you have to order at the bar. I always see someone I know there."
eltacodemexicodenver.com

OBJECT VINTAGE DESIGN

"I love the store Object Vintage Design on 38th and Clay. It was opened by my long-time friend Gérard Encinas who is also an owner of Gerard's pool hall."
720 542 9315

EDIT

"I love the European Spa called EDIT on Adams. The owner's name is Edit and she's from Hungary. She's fabulous—no wonder I've been going to her for facials since I was 18 years old!"
editeurospa.com



MARCZYK FINE FOODS MARKET

"I love going to Marczyk Fine Foods Market. It's locally owned and always has what I want. I like going to small marketplaces because you're in and out. Anything to avoid lineups and parking fiascos. Small is definitely more charming. They have great meats and a little wine shop."
marczykfinefoods.com



Linda Madson, HW Home Store Manager, Cherry Creek (pictured on the left; Terri, right) says she comes in all the time and loves their look. "Terri's always a pleasure to serve and supports us because she supports local."

13TH ANNUAL BEST PLACES TO LIVE

ARTSCENE

State of the art

Michael Chávez
ON LOCATION AT KIRKLAND MUSEUM
OF FINE & DECORATIVE ART

You might not recognize Michael Chavez if you saw him on the street, but you definitely recognize the fruits of his work at Denver Public Art. Some of them, after all, are over 40 feet tall.

Michael Chavez is responsible for overseeing the city's public art program—a division of Denver Arts & Venues—which was established in 1988 through an executive order by Mayor Federico Peña and signed into law in 1991. With its mission of “building a permanent collection of public art that will enhance Denver’s identity,” the program is responsible for growing the city’s collection to over 400 pieces in 32 years, with more work being added every year. Since its inception, more than \$40 million has flowed through the program.

“There’s never been a time when we’ve had more projects,” says Chavez. “It’s an exciting time to be in charge, to lead us into the next phase.”

The program gets funding from the city itself, setting aside 1 percent of most public construction budgets over \$1 million and using the funds for the development of public art. It’s a lot of money and a lot of logistical legwork, meaning the department requires someone like Chavez—a trained artist himself, as well as an experienced curator—to run it.

“I have degrees in sculpture and printmaking, and I worked in galleries and museums for more than 20 years,” says Chavez. “I did everything from exhibition design to curating exhibits to educational programming for small nonprofit arts centers. I know how to deal with artists and how to manage projects, which is important because every day at DPA is different. Right now, we have more than 50 active projects, all in different stages of development. I manage five people, and on any given day, we might be anywhere in the city. Today, for instance, I was in a meeting about a new design in Skyline Park downtown. Last week, we were in an artist’s studio looking at the fabrication for a work that’s going up in Town Center Park at Green Valley Ranch. We divvy up the projects and it’s a huge variety—the budgets fall anywhere between \$10,000 to over \$1 million.”



DENVER PUBLIC ART
denverpublicart.org

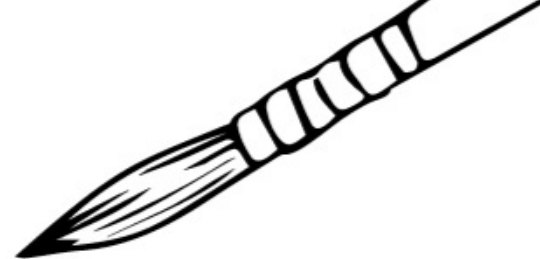


Michael is sitting in front of:
*The Illusion of Floating Mysteries
in Red Space*, 1975, by Vance
Kirkland (namesake of Kirkland
Museum), in Promenade Gallery
2, Kirkland Museum of Fine &
Decorative Art.

Photography by **Paul Miller**

Why we met at Kirkland Museum of Fine & Decorative Art:
"I love this place. It's so inspiring." —Michael Chavez

TIDBIT Chavez and his wife were married at the Clyfford Still Museum in 2018.



→ Several cities around Colorado also have 1 percent programs like the DPA's, but their specifics vary widely by region. What makes Denver's program unique is that the money comes exclusively from public funds. All of the construction projects contributing 1 percent of their budgets are city projects, run by the government. To qualify, the projects must involve a "building, structure, road, streetscape, pedestrian mall, plaza, or park that includes finished space for human occupancy and will be available for public view." There are, needless to say, a huge number of these in Denver, meaning the DPA is

never short on funds. Rather than focus their efforts on raising money, therefore, Chavez and his team are free to address more community-based initiatives like outreach and education. "About a year ago, we launched a new website that catalogues the city's entire collection, searchable by neighborhood," says Chavez. "It's meant to help you find those hidden gems—things you might not have known were on your commute, or things that you've seen before but wanted to know more about. We're always working toward helping the public interpret what we're doing." The website is meant to get people talking about the city's pub-

lic art, to share it and spread awareness via word of mouth, says Chavez. "You can create galleries of your favorites. Let's say you have a friend coming in from out of town and there are five things you want them to see. You can put those in a gallery and text it to them. They can open it on their phone and they'll have a map with directions to the specific pieces." One new piece Chavez is particularly excited about is a sculpture called "La Veleta" (Spanish for "The Weather-vane"), by local artist Jaime Molina. "It's at the Southwest corner of the intersection of Sixth and Federal," he says. "It's a nearly 40-foot-tall sculpture, a stack of seven animal heads, all tiled mosaics. They're seven animals that you'd find in Color-

do: a ram, a rattlesnake, an owl, a bobcat, a bear, a bison, and a fox. It's gorgeous, just a stunning sculpture." Chavez has his master's degree in printmaking, so he's also particularly excited about Denver's Month of Printmaking, happening now. The biennial event (which trades off every year with the Month of Photography), sees galleries and museums all over the city presenting exhibitions and workshops on printmaking. It's a way to get people involved and creating art themselves, which only leads to more support for the work of DPA. "This job is a lot different than working in a gallery, where every three months you have a new exhibit," Chavez says. "Here, it might be three years between picking an artist and installing something. The payoff, therefore, is

ON MICHAEL'S LIST

KIRKLAND MUSEUM OF FINE & DECORATIVE ART
kirklandmuseum.org

CLYFFORD STILL MUSEUM
 "One of my favorite places is the Clyfford Still Museum. It's a very unique experience to explore the entire career of one artist in a building that was built to accommodate his archive."
clyffordstillmuseum.org

LA VELETA
 "La Veleta is my favorite. It is so new, the only pictures I have are of the installation in progress. It's a must-see in Denver."
tresbirds.com/la-veleta

much greater. People travel across the city just to see these works of art. It's so rewarding."
 —Andrew Weaver

SITES TO SEE

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DENVER ART MUSEUM, DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS, PORTRAIT OF MRS. NATASHA GELMAN, 1950; FIDDLERSGREENAMP.COM



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landmarktheatres.com/denver/mayan-theatre

ART DISTRICT ON SANTE FE
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denversartdistrict.org

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denvercenter.org/plan-your-visit/theatres-seating/the-buell-theatre

COLORADO MUSIC HALL OF FAME
 Learn about Colorado's home-grown music at the Colorado Music Hall of Fame. Opened in 2011, it has inducted more than 50 artists.
redrocksonline.com/the-park/colorado-music-hall-of-fame

NEIGHBORHOOD

Community hero

Amanda Sandoval

ON LOCATION AT CHERRY BEAN COFFEE

Amanda Sandoval can't say enough about Denver. "It's the people who make this the best place to live. I love the people. There's also a lot of history here, such as the confluence (junction of two rivers) that has so much traditional meaning. I don't think many people know the significance behind it." Amanda explains that it's where the Native-American Indians came to collaborate and make peace hundreds of years ago. "REI and the Cherry Creek path is where the two rivers meet. It used to be prairie land, a sacred place for gatherings and still is. In history, it was an official place for the meeting of the minds."

Her Northwest Denver roots run deep. Not only is Amanda a Denver native, but in 1975 her parents opened a well-known area restaurant, La Casa de Tamales in the Berkeley neighborhood. It's now called Tamales by La Casita and located in the Highlands neighborhood. Her love and dedication for Northwest Denver is rooted in the relationships she forged from serving others in the family restaurant, which remains a community meeting place where discussions turn into actions, and those actions improve the lives of Denver residents and businesses.

As councilwoman for District 1, her specialty is spreading awareness about land use, which a lot of residents don't

understand or think concerns them. "I've always felt serving others was my true calling. Even the small successes for me come from connecting people; I love educating others about why it's important to preserve our land and our neighborhoods." Amanda believes that connection makes a community special. "From sitting across the table with someone and offering a solution to a problem, or getting to know their families, it just makes me happy when I see a lightbulb go off or a smile on someone's face."

As we sit there chit-chatting in Cherry Bean Coffee on Tejon Street, Amanda explained her theory about how conversation can connect two people. "Having gone through a near-death experience, I've realized what's impor-

tant in life. My family. My health. My community." Amanda didn't get into all of the details, but she said that she got very ill from the flu a few years earlier. Ever since then, she's been serving the people around her with the hope of making a difference. As a mom of two, she says she's the voice of District 1 for her kids and for their future. "I do it for the next generation of Denverites."

Growing up, her mother was always giving back to the community in some way, and her father was a senator. "My parents' lives intertwined the nonprofit world and advocacy. They taught me so much about the impact of quality of life here – such as the importance of access to affordable housing, preserving the amazing parks, the trails, lakes etc. I truly think it's important to continue these discussions for the

Why we met at Cherry Bean Coffee:
Cherry Bean Coffee is a family-owned business where the coffee is always fresh and conversation flows.

betterment of our communities."

When she's not helping pass laws, Amanda loves strolling through the amazing parks, especially Sloan's Lake. "I love the Platte River and the scenery where it meets with Cherry Creek. We do a lot of biking. There's also Rocky Mountain Park and the lake near I-70 and Federal is beautiful. Basically, I love anywhere there are close-knit communities, public parks, and places to take the family pet. I can walk from my house to Berkeley dog park."

Amanda says being a part of a physical community is critical these days, and somewhat of a lost art. "It's

important to have a safe place to talk to people and receive constructive criticism. Honest feedback from those around you who know you and know the area is always beneficial. It's nice to have a sounding board who really knows what you're talking about, not online where people have no idea."

Lastly, she feels strongly about supporting local businesses. "You're not only supporting them financially, but you're supporting an idea of what they want for their family. It's a business model that brings people into a community they know and trust."

—Kerrie Lee Brown

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COOL COMMUNITY VIBES

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FIVE POINTS

One of Denver's oldest neighborhoods, Five Points has a rich and diverse history of arts, food, and cultures. The proof is in the many festivals, breweries, and soul food restaurants in the area that

turn a trip into an exciting adventure.

CAPITOL HILL

With museums and historic buildings dotting the streets, this is Denver's mecca of history. If a day of exhibits isn't for you, Cap Hill also offers

the Broadway Market, Fillmore Auditorium, and plenty of parks and breweries.

CHERRY CREEK

If you want great food and endless shopping, this is the place to go. From Elway's to the Cherry Cricket,



ON AMANDA'S LIST

CHERRY BEAN COFFEE
cherrybeancoffee.co

TENNYSON STREET

"I spend a lot of time on Tennyson Street. There's a place called Javier's Diner that is family owned. I love to support small local businesses or hidden gems."

PARKS

"I love strolling through the parks and Sloan's Lake—anywhere I can take in the fresh air and go for a walk with my dog."

LA CASA DE TAMALE, NEW SAIGON, ALAMO DRAFFHOUSE, PATZCUARO'S

"Besides my parents' restaurant, La Casa de Tamales, one of my favorite places to eat is New Saigon on South Federal. Their noodle bowls are to die for. The Alamo Draffhouse in Littleton is also fun. And, Patzcuaro's on 32nd and Clay is an amazing Mexican restaurant."

casadetamales.com

newsaigon.com

patzcuaros.com

draffhouse.com



At Cherry Bean Coffee, Amanda's fave place to chill, its coffee comes from regions of Central America and the Caribbean Islands, as well as other coffee producers worldwide.

and with 40 retail stores exclusive to the Cherry Creek Shopping Center alone, this neighborhood meets all your day or night-out needs.

WASHINGTON PARK

With plenty of parks and two of Denver's most popular lakes, this neighborhood is the perfect place for a day spent outdoors. If all those activities in the sun and grass leave you

hungry or yearning for a more urban stroll, South Pearl St. and Old South Gaylord are perfect little reintroductions to the city.

SPEER

Often overlooked in favor of its more boisterous neighbors, don't be fooled by Speer's tranquil atmosphere. There is still plenty by way of restaurants and nightlife at reasonable prices making

this neighborhood a terrific location for a daytime stroll or relaxing and pressure-free evening out.

CONGRESS PARK

It's close to both downtown Denver and the Denver Botanic Gardens, but retains its own personality and relaxing environment. With parks and plenty of restaurants, Congress Park is a great escape from

the rest of the city, or a starting point for a day of adventuring.

COUNTRY CLUB

Besides having some of the most expensive houses in Denver, what makes this neighborhood special is the Denver Country Club that it's built around. Centrally located to other major attractions, the whole neighborhood is a designated historic district.

BERKELEY

A hub of shopping and dining, with two lakes all its own, this neighborhood has a little bit of everything. Housing is also reasonably priced, so Berkeley has become a great place for those starting a family or a life of their own.

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ON THE RISE

If you haven't seen the multitude of cranes and construction all over town, you're probably spending too much time at your mountain cabin. Then again, that doesn't sound all that bad...

Over the next few pages, you'll find all there is to know about Denver's expanding housing market, including some of the best neighborhoods where you can live, work, and play. Plus, we've got helpful tips for buyers and sellers from experts in the field, and insights on what's trending right now in homes. We also give you the lay of the land when it comes to new real estate developments in all the bustling building hot spots.

So, if you're looking to move, move your parents into state, or purchase a second home, you've come to the right place. After all, Denver's growth isn't stopping anytime soon. That's why we love it.

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Capitol Hill, Denver

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1,023
VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: Capitol Hill was called for by Governor Alexander Hunt in 1867 after Denver was named the official territorial capital. The neighborhood was home to the richest

people in the territory. Many of these early Coloradans lived on Millionaire’s row, built of Second Empire houses along 14th St. As the area became commercially developed, the super-rich fled to the outskirts of the city. Luckily many of the historic buildings were preserved, and now lend

the grace of a bygone age to Capitol Hill.

AMENITIES: Located in Downtown Denver, Capitol Hill is close to everything the city has to offer. The neighborhood is home to the historic Molly Brown House. Civic Center Park hosts live music and food trucks

every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from May through October. There is an incredible amount of dining and entertainment options. As the most densely populated Denver neighborhood, this area has an exciting and diverse character, blending history with modernity.

City Park, Denver

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 2,117
VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: City Park is one of the oldest neighborhoods in Denver. The community is only about a mile wide; much of this space is a massive park, modeled after Central Park in New York City. The park was developed in 1886 and could be reached by trolley from Denver. A small neighborhood of Denver square style homes developed around the park.

AMENITIES: The 320-acre City Park is home to the Denver Zoo, the Denver Museum of Nature and Science, 15 athletic fields, 14 tennis courts, three lakes (which offer paddle boat rentals), five formal gardens, 40 different species of trees, and a golf course. All of this is accessible to residents by bicycle, as City Park is one of the most bikeable neighborhoods in Denver. Events hosted in the park include the City Park Jazz Festival. The local restaurant Tacos Tequila Whiskey is an essential stop. A former food truck turned formal establishment; it is now said to serve some of the best Mexican food in the nation.

Congress Park, Denver

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 2,099
VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: Congress Park was first planned in the late 1880s. Neighborhood development happened alongside

Why is Denver Hot?

Dena Pastorini, a trailblazer in the Central Denver real estate scene, says that besides the amazing amenities we now have downtown, the proximity to the mountains is an integral part of why people love Denver. “When I first moved here, I lived and worked in Vail Valley. I noticed how many people would still go into the city to the theater. The scenic drive certainly doesn’t hurt. When you’re downtown, you’re walking distance to shopping, dining, sporting events, entertainment, and the light rail, Denver is perfectly located to the mountains if you want to go skiing or enjoy other outdoors activities. You just can’t beat that combination.”

Location, location, location

Pastorini focuses primarily on high-end condo listings in Downtown Denver—and knows many new developers who have done projects in Riverfront Park, LoDo, LoHi, RiNo, Larimer Square, and Union Station. She thinks another reason why Colorado is booming right now is because it’s in the middle of the country. “While Denver itself has become very cosmopolitan, we are seeing a lot of diversity and different demographics buying in the city core—young professionals and millennials. People tend to be converging here because it’s easy to travel to the two coasts.” While this is an optimal reason for people to move to Denver, she also finds that clients are coming here to attend school or work, and they end up staying. “If kids come here to go to college, or experience their first job placement, they usually end up liking it so much that they want to stay. I often see

tramway lines. In the early 20th century, the neighborhood was a mixture of wealthy single-family homes and apartments. Heading southwest through the neighborhood, the architectural style moves through the centuries: from Victorian, to Craftsman Denver Squares, to '20s bungalows.

AMENITIES: Located just three miles from Downtown Denver, Congress Park contains a charming array of shops and restaurants. Head to the corner of 12th Avenue and Madison Street to get to the center of town. TAG Burger Bar offers locally sourced burgers. 12th Avenue Market is the local corner shop.

Littleton, Arapahoe County

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1,951

VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: Littleton began as a Gold Rush settlement in 1859. As the area's population grew, development on a series of irrigation projects made the area ideal for farmers. The population of the area grew steadily and was incorporated in 1890. Just after WWII, Littleton was an economic center for munitions and aerospace, which resulted in a housing boom from

the 1950s through the '70s.

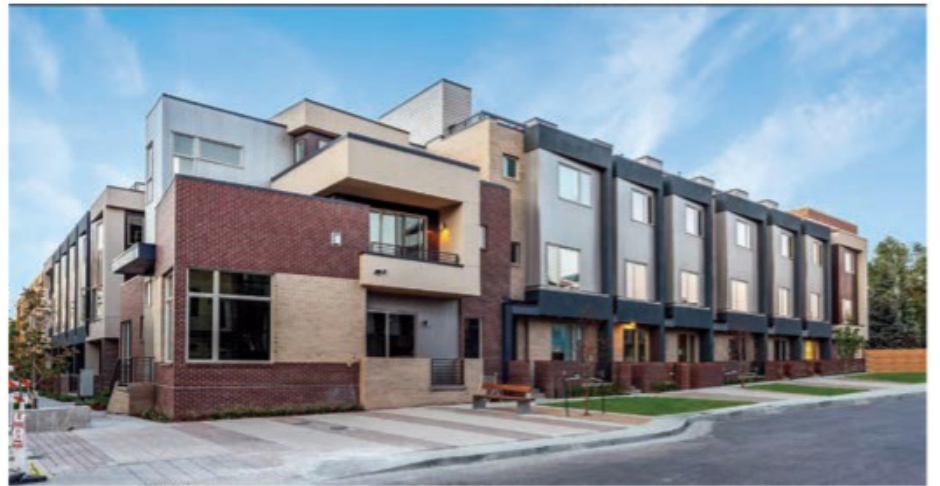
AMENITIES: Historic Downtown Littleton is the local retail and dining center. Hudson Gardens hosts a variety of events, from Christmas light display in the winter to outdoor concerts in the summer. Chatfield Reservoir and the southern end of the Platte River Trail offer excellent recreational activities. Breckenridge Brewery is the beautiful farmhouse-style epicenter of craft beer for the community.

Lone Tree

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 2,160

VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: Lone Tree is just 25 years old. What started as a typical suburban neighborhood has been transformed by substantial growth. Lone Tree exemplifies what is called the "edge city" phenomenon: urban development around suburban freeway interchanges. The area now combines the feel of suburbia with the excitement of the city.

AMENITIES: The Park Meadows Mall provides a commercial center, and a lot of great shopping. An extensive park system gives residents plenty of opportunity for outdoor recreation. The city has recently opened three new



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light rail stations to improve access to transportation. The Lone Tree Arts Center draws headline performers and international touring artists.

RiNo (River North Arts District), Denver

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1,148

VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: RiNo is a former industrial center, filled with factories, foundries, and pattern shops. In the late '80s and '90s, industry began to move out of the city. This is when a community of artists moved into the area, seeking affordable living spaces. In 2004, community leaders and the City of Denver got together to clean up the district. Now, RiNo is the center of the Denver arts scene.

AMENITIES: RiNo's former warehouses host some of Denver's trendiest attractions. If you're looking for something off the beaten path, then check out the Friday Night Bazaar at the Central Market or the EXDO Event Center roller-skating party. The district has galleries, but the abundance of street art gives you access to local artwork outside of the studios. Try an evening of mural hunting. This area boasts

the coolest wineries, breweries, markets, concert venues, and restaurants in Denver.

Sloan's Lake, Denver

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1,592

VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: In 1861, Thomas M. Sloan dug a well to irrigate his West Denver farmland. Overnight the well flooded 200 acres. This is the local legend about the mysterious origins of what is now Sloan Lake. The area's history is tremendously storied. Sloan's Lake was once home to the first amusement park west of the Mississippi, Manhattan Beach. The park was officially shut down in 1914. Sloan's Lake's peculiar history has led to a fascinating and unique community.

AMENITIES: Today Sloan's Lake is home to the famous Dragon Boat Festival. Go for a stroll down West 29th Avenue to visit some of the area's best breweries, bars, restaurants, and shops. Historic 25th Avenue has the most renowned establishments in the neighborhood, including the Edgewater Inn, which has been serving handmade pizzas made by the Di Pietro family for 60 years.

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LITTLETON 6088 S LAKEVIEW ST, LITTLETON, \$699,000

they've met their life partner here and want to buy a home. As a result, their parents are also deciding to move here because they want to be close to their grandchildren."

Tips for sellers

Pastorini says staging homes is the new norm. "Jeanne Pucci from All About Staging helps our sellers come up with the best presentation possible when a house goes on the market. Despite our city being a hot bed for purchasers looking to buy, you can't go wrong when you give them the best of the best. Denver is a hub for high-tech professionals and emerging entrepreneurs who want a place that best suits them, not a place that best suits the seller. Basically, you have to up your game because first impressions are everything. You want to make your house look like a model home."

Tips for buyers

"Interest rates are low right now, which is great for us," Pastorini explains. "I think we have the opportunity and exceptional lifestyle in Cherry Creek, Downtown, The Highlands etc. You don't have to go far for really great value. Also, our city planners are really smart; there are many entertainment venues around Denver. Buyers are lucky to have such great choices right now. For instance, Union Station attracts a lot of people because you can get to the airport from there. Convenience is very important. Denver is also a very healthy place where people actually walk and participate in physical activities. So basically, wherever you buy you can't go wrong." --Kerrie Lee Brown



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Bonnie Brae, Denver

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 2,258

VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: George W. Olinger, a successful land developer in the 1920s, accumulated property in an area he named Bonnie Brae (pleasant hill, in Gaelic). His vision was to create the feel of a Scottish village. He hired noted architect Saco DeBoar, who veered from the traditional grid system of city streets. Instead, DeBoar designed the community to enhance the land's natural topography.

AMENITIES: Bonnie Brae's meandering streets wind around an oval shaped park at the center of the community. The neighborhood has a quiet feel, with idyllic homes built in the 1930s and '40s. The area is close enough to Denver to enjoy the city while still living in a peaceful small town. The locally renowned Bonnie Brae Ice Cream offers Denver's best waffle cones. Main Street is a hub of shops and restaurants full of local tastes and flavors.

Bow Mar

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 2,960

VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: King Soopers founder Lloyd King bought a square mile of property southwest of Denver with the dream of creating a luxury, self-governing neighborhood. The community was incorporated in 1958. Today's Bow Mar community maintains the independent spirit its founder envisioned.

AMENITIES: Just 12 miles from Denver, the friendly community of Bow Mar has its own private lake, on which residents ice skate, boat, fish, or lounge. Most of the homes are built in Frank Lloyd Wright's prairie-style, not exceeding one story. The neighborhood offers family-oriented recreational and social clubs.

Castle Pines Village

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 4,214

VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: Castle Pines Village was the vision of Jack A. Vickers, who bought the land in 1970 to complete his

signature golf course famous for its rolling hills and wooded areas. The success of the golf course generated the idea of a luxury community surrounding the course. Castle Pines Village was born in 1981.

AMENITIES: Residents of this gated community have stunning views of the Rocky Mountains and access to an expansive Ponderosa Pine forest. The Country Club at Castle Pines offers fine-dining options and the Outlets at Castle Rock are just a quick drive from the village.

Cherry Hills Village

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 3,858

VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: The area contained only a few homes known as "The Circle" until 1938, when developers became interested in the area. In 1945, the neighborhood was incorporated as a town. Residents fought to maintain the rural character of the neighborhood and the town became a home rule city in 1966.

AMENITIES: It is said that Arnold Palmer iced tea originated at the Cherry Hills Country Club, which is the community center. The High Line Canal, John Meade Park, and Quincy Farm are nearby outdoor attractions. Local dining and retail can be found on Englewood's South Broadway.

Denver Country Club

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 4,867

VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: Established in 1909, this exclusive area



GREENWOOD VILLAGE 5700 E PRENTICE PL., GREENWOOD VILLAGE, \$1,425,000

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Luxury market trends

As one of Denver's most regarded real estate professionals, Douglas D. Kerbs has an undeniable pulse on the luxury market. With a desire and drive to be successful—not only for him, but for his clients—his mission is to ensure his clients get exactly what they want, when they want it. Kerbs says the luxury market is very precise. "People know exactly what they're looking for. They're looking for homes to be updated before they purchase. In fact, the biggest percentage of people I work with today want a place they can walk into and hang their coat up, without worrying if it's going to fall on the ground."

Make it perfect

Clients who want homes in the \$1 million to \$2 million market are looking

for ease of purchase. In other words, people moving to Denver don't want to waste time remodeling or upgrading their properties. "In the past, luxury clients were more willing to forgo a perfectly presented house—simply because they could envision the perfect details with a renovation. Today, high-end buyers want to move in and live." With that being said, the luxury market has increased in Denver as a result of people moving here from the East and West coasts.

What's hot

Over the past couple of years, we saw a lot of new finishes come to the market with tiles, flooring, etc. "People are looking for classic finishes—in traditional style as well as contemporary. I was seeing trendy tiles and hard surfaces a while back in contemporary; but that quickly faded and became outdated."



CASTLE PINES 1127 NORTHWOOD CT., \$2,995,000

is home to some of Denver's most affluent homeowners. Turn-of-the-century mansions can be found among the newer modern homes, showcasing centuries of the upscale lifestyle.

AMENITIES: Denver Country Club is the luxurious center of the community. A renowned golf course is the main draw, but don't miss the club's social events calendar. Its proximity to Downtown Denver, Cherry Creek North, Cherry Creek Mall, and being centrally located to historic homes make this a special neighborhood.

Greenwood Village

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 2,527

VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: In 1850, the discovery of gold in what is now Englewood brought a rush of settlers to the area. Rufus Clark was one of these settlers. His successful potato farm earned him the name "potato king." Clark persuaded English investors to finance the burgeoning development, which grew into an idyllic agrarian community. In the 1930s and '40s, Denver residents would come south to Greenwood Village to visit their country

homes. Farmers worried that the flock of city dwellers would change the pastoral village; nevertheless the village voted to be incorporated into Denver by a slim margin in the 1950s.

AMENITIES: Today Greenwood Village is a mixture of the suburban and urban. The best of both worlds. With more than 40 miles of trails, residents will be able to enjoy the neighborhood's beautiful parks. The Denver Technological Center provides an urban center with The Curtis Center for the Arts housing the area's concerts and exhibits. Las Brisas spices things up with a menu that ranges from Spanish to South American.

Hilltop, Denver

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 2,506

VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: Prehistoric camel bones were found in 1893 when the Hilltop area officially became a part of Denver. The community gained popularity in the 1930s. Most houses were independently designed,

resulting in an eclectic mixture of 22 distinct architectural styles. Perhaps the most iconic resident of Hilltop was the eccentric George Cranmer, who was the Denver Parks Director in the early 20th century. Cranmer was instrumental in the construction of Red Rocks Amphitheater and Winter Park Ski Resort.

AMENITIES: Hilltop has beautiful views of the Rocky Mountains, an extensive parks system, and is near the Cherry Creek Mall. The Denver Police Department reports Hilltop as one of the safest neighborhoods in Denver.

Observatory Park, Denver

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1,719

VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: Observatory Park is a historic neighborhood, featuring some of



CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE 10 CHERRY LANE DRIVE, \$5,990,000

Who's buying high?

With \$2 million homes you can get a little more flexibility from the purchaser. These clients are a little more seasoned—not new to the high-end market and willing to see what's out there. Whereas, the \$1 million buyer is most likely new to the luxury market; or they've been above this range and are now downsizing. "They may have two homes—perhaps a home in the mountains and they want one in Denver; or they have a beach home in another state. They are smart with their money, but aren't necessarily making this their permanent residence."

Buying and selling

Kerbs has also noticed that the luxury buyer is a lot younger today. "This

is due to the industries we have in Denver. I do a lot of corporate relocations, and like I mentioned, people just want to buy and move in," adds Kerbs. What is surprising, however, is that some of these people are still experiencing sticker shock when they see the prices. "You're looking at about \$1,000 per square foot in some properties, but this is pretty reasonable for what you're getting—and especially compared to other markets in the U.S." Kerbs says people end up paying for what they want, which goes back to why sellers need to prepare their homes for the luxury buyer. "As Denver continues to grow, we're still trying to play catch up. But my advice is that if something needs to be done, do it." —Kerrie Lee Brown



Douglas D. Kerbs
sothebysrealty.com



WILLOW SPRINGS 17295 RED WOLF LN., MORRISON, \$1,475,000

Denver’s most spectacular architecture. The University of Denver moved to Observatory Park in 1880 and has remained the cultural center of the community ever since. The Chamberlin Observatory is home to a telescope with a 20-inch refractor lens that was shown at the 1893 Chicago World’s Fair.

AMENITIES: Today Observatory Park is a thriving area with a tremendous amount of dining and retail options. The proximity to DU lends residents access to Magness Arena and the Coors Fitness Center, with two Olympic-size pools and two ice rinks. The neighborhood is a unique mixture of classic and modern.

Washington Park, Denver

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 1,380
VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: In 1889, Reinhard Schuetze built Washington Park to mirror the grand Victorian style. Smith Lake, located within the park, is thought to have been a buffalo wallow prior to 1867, when the completion of Smith’s Ditch brought water to the reservoir. In the 1890s, Smith Lake was used for ice production. The neighborhood surrounding the park held the pedigree of high society. Today Washington Park remains one of the classiest neighborhoods in Denver.

AMENITIES: With two scenic lakes, a large meadow, and the

beautiful Smith Lake Boat House built by eccentric architect Jules J.B. Benedict, Washington Park is the centerpiece of the area. Brick bungalows with well-tended gardens adorn the neighborhood with an old-fashioned charm.

Willow Springs, Morrison

AVERAGE SQUARE FOOTAGE: 4,646
VINTAGE OF NEIGHBORHOOD: The Willow Springs area was bordered by two major routes for Gold Rush miners in the 1860s. This is the start of what was primarily a ranching community, until the Willow Springs property opened a country club that was popular with Denver residents. The most recent iteration of this property is the Red Rocks Country Club, which is still a centerpiece of the community.

AMENITIES: Willow Springs has its own mountain park with 15 miles of private trails winding through red rock formations. This space is available for hiking, mountain biking, cross-country skiing, and snowshoeing. The community is located near the world-famous Red Rocks Amphitheater and the charming town of Morrison. Morrison has a variety of quirky shops and restaurants. Willow Springs is within driving distance of Denver.

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Lifestyle is Key

As one of Colorado’s premier real estate brokerages, Mile Hi Modern is paving the way for people to buy and sell the coolest homes in town. The mother/daughter trio of brokers—Susan Miesen, Megan Harper, and Rachael Miesen—are a team within the brokerage and work with a wide variety of buyers and sellers in Central Denver.

Times have changed

“Denver offers something for everyone, and you can’t beat the climate, amenities, or public transport,” says Susan. “As a result, we’ve created something people moving here from other states can identify with.”

“In fact, each of our clients has specific needs when it comes to their real estate decisions. We’re often working with buyers who have school choices at the forefront of their priorities; some have walkability and access to transportation. We pride ourselves on knowing Central Denver neighborhoods and their unique attributes. This allows us to guide our clients to find a neighborhood and home that not only meets their needs but supports their desired lifestyle.”

Buyer prep

In an environment where well prepared homes often go under contract in the first weekend. Susan, Megan and Rachael always strategize and position their buyers for success. “We implement a well thought out process from the very start with our buyers,” says Rachael. “By the time we’re writing an offer on their dream home, they are so well prepared, and their offer is so well crafted, we’ve positioned them for a much higher success rate.”

Selling your home

“Since buyers are seeing premium pricing, they’re expecting homes to be presented in a way that reflects their high price tag,” explains Megan. Susan agrees: “From curbside clean-up to replacing light fixtures, carpet, staging, and cleaning—any deferred maintenance should be taken care of. It’s important to remember that selling your home starts before any buyer steps into your home.”

—Kerrie Lee Brown



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Builders: 500–800K (Berkeley Homes, Shea Gallery, Shea Luxe,

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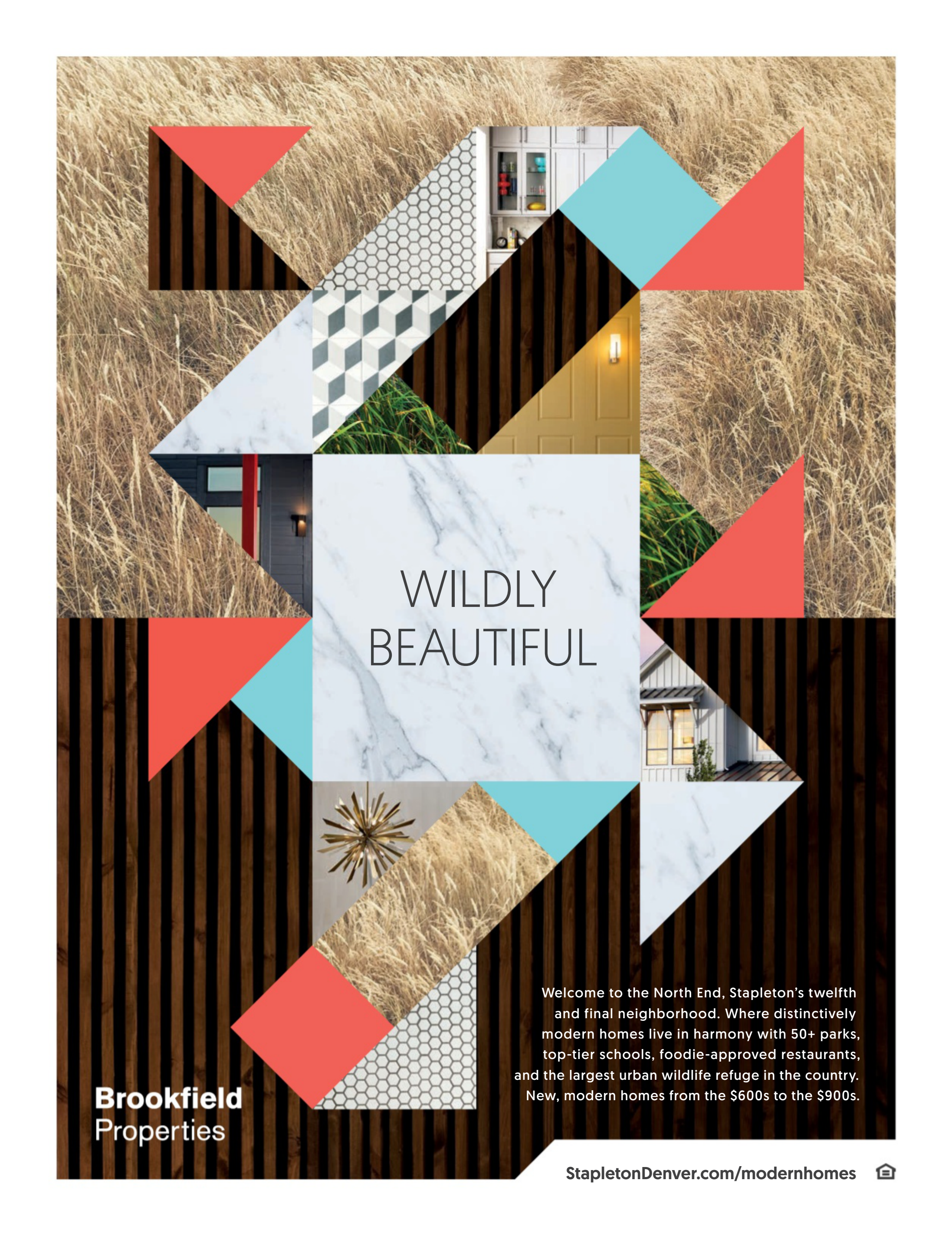
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Builders: Thrive Home Builders - Vita Collection (7 left), Parkwood homes - Beacon Hill (4 specs and 4 future homes left), Parkwood Homes - Painted Ladies (2 spec, 3 dirt lots, and 9 future left), Thrive Home Builders - Zen 2.0 Collection (10 sites,

Luxury housing market inventory increased in 2019 to 6.92% for single-family homes and 8.5% for condos, up 40.63% and 68.42% month over month respectively. The result? Buyers in the luxury market are not having to compete as much as there is ample supply.

Source: DMAR Market Trends 2020

1 model, and 26 future left), Infinity Home Collection - Alto (3 left and 26 in future phases), Parkwood Homes - Shenandoah Collection (5 and 8 future left), Infinity Home - Collection Vive (3 left with 50 in future phases), Thrive Home Builders - Panacea (9 left), Infinity Home Collection - Luxe (2 left and 25 in future phases). stapletondenver.com

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28 This community lies in the center of extensive space for outdoor recreation. Enjoy easy access to open spaces and gorgeous mountain views. Homes include gourmet kitchens, luxurious bathrooms, and multiple fireplaces. lokalhomes.com/two-bridges

Greenwood Village

THE PRESERVE AT GREENWOOD VILLAGE

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Lot Size: .69 - 1.96 acres

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3,859–6,996 sq. ft.

37 Luxury custom and semi-custom homes amid the red rocks of the Dakota Hogback and near one of Colorado's premier golf courses. The community hosts various events for resi-

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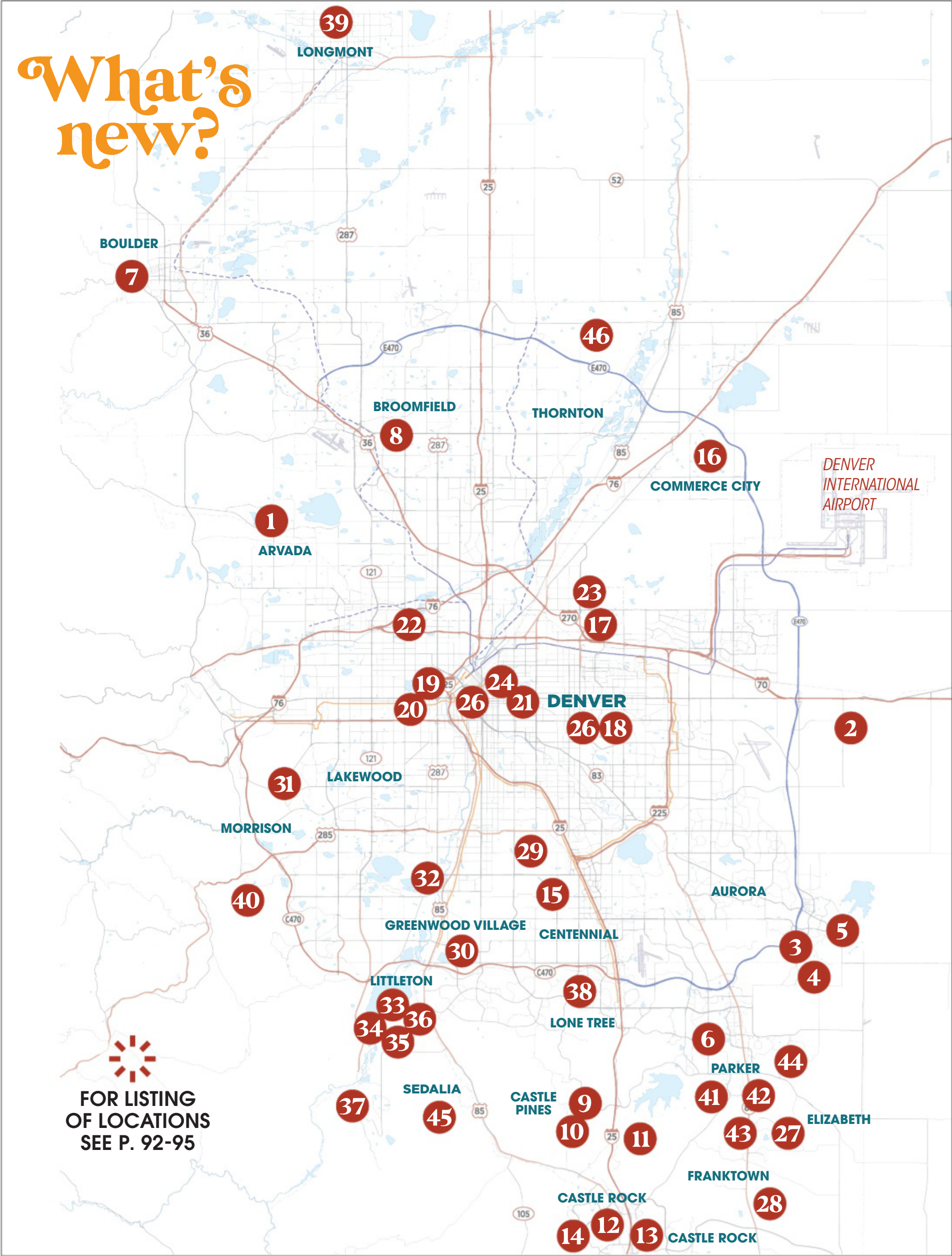
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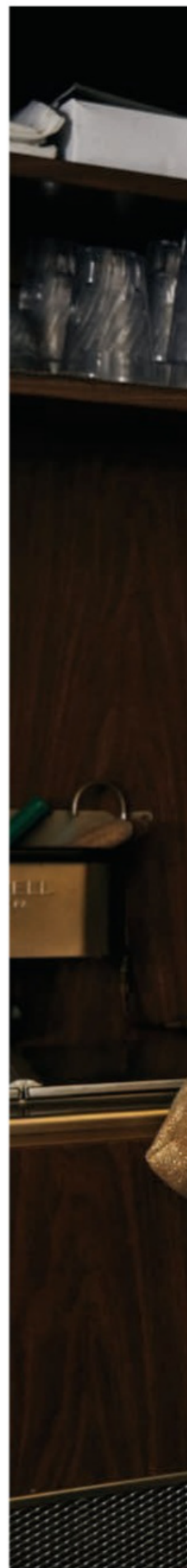
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To showcase these incredible finds, we set up shop at one of Denver's favorite greasy spoon hot spots, 20th Street Café (which has been in operation since 1946) to ensure the perfect backdrop for the most eclectic styles. It's no secret these stunning looks—a mix of contemporary flair paired with Lennon-esque accents—make everyone's day that much brighter.





SEQUINS & DENIM

Credits

PAGE 101 **Libertine charmeuse silk blouse**, \$1,500, **Burberry monogram wool cashmere cardigan**, \$890, and **Victoria Beckham metallic stretch trousers**, \$930. **Christian Louboutin ‘Monmoc’ metallic leather loafer**, \$745. All Neiman Marcus, Cherry Creek Shopping Center, 3030 E. 1st Ave., neimanmarcus.com. **Dean Davidson bamboo gold earrings**, \$145, Perch, 2606 E. 3rd Ave., perchvail.com.

PAGE 102-103 **Valentino silk blouse**, \$2,200, and **wide-leg pant**, \$2,300. **Balenciaga ‘Typo’ leather boot**, \$1,190. All Neiman Marcus. **Solar braided leather double wrap bracelet**, \$325, John Atencio, Cherry Creek Shopping Center, 3000 E. First Ave., johnatencio.com. **Earrings**, Stylist’s own.

PAGE 104 **Sea sequin blouse**, \$345, and **Retrofête denim jacket**, \$295. Both Perch. **Kirk & Kirk “Marylin” glasses** in Color C3 Crimson, \$489, Queen City Optical Provisions, 4321 W. 44th Ave., queencityoptical.com. **Chimes gold forged earrings** by John Atencio, \$745, John Atencio. Rings, model’s own.

PAGE 105 **Giada Forte linen Lurex blazer**, \$665, and **R13 ‘Boy Skinny’ jean**, \$495. Both MAX, 250 Columbine St., maxclothing.com. **Chan Luu cashmere and silk scarf**, \$225, Blush, 4305 W. 44th Ave., shop-blush.com. **Prada Linea Rossa leather hiking boot**, \$790, Neiman Marcus. **Silver Apollo pavé hoops**, \$535, and **Solar braided leather double wrap bracelets**, \$325 each, all John Atencio. **Bra top**, model’s own.

PAGE 107 **Dries Van Noten mesh turtleneck**, \$355, and **Nili Lotan wool military jacket**, \$1,095. Both Max. **Jacques Marie Mage “Apollinaire” sunglasses** in Color 54 Altan with Turquoise lenses, \$850, Queen City Optical Provisions. **Cobra gold forged earrings** by John Atencio, \$1,095, John Atencio.

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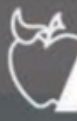
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Strong geometrics? Hair on hide, silk, leather, upholstered panels, murals, or florals. Greg Comstock, principal and lead designer at **Comstock Design**, says florals are definitely back, but they're not what you may remember from your mother's kitchen. "Wallpapers have increasingly expanded the scope and possibilities of how to create an exciting backdrop in your home. This spring there's an emphasis on vibrant patterns and unique materials," he says. "There is also a strong emphasis on bombastic graffiti-inspired prints, where unusual color combinations have boldly appeared as people retire the sparsity of minimalism and white walls." Case in point, just look at this photo. Don't shy away from a more sophisticated color palette in your home—these sultrier coverings have a more serious tone and can be a catalyst for the color scheme of any room.—K.B.

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Some things never go out of style

MERAKI MOON'S BOHEMIAN FASHIONS STRIKE A CHORD IN DENVER. **BY HOPE MARKS**



Sophia Joseph says that when she came up with the idea for Meraki Moon, she wanted to put all of her love into her work. Joseph achieved this with her boho boutique in RiNo.

What inspired you to open your own boutique?

"It was always a childhood dream of mine. My mom was in fashion, so I've always been surrounded by clothing. I've always loved it. I wanted to stay in Denver, but the fashion scene here wasn't the biggest to have a long-term career, unless you're in retail. I started really small at first, and then it slowly grew into what it is today."

How did you come up with "Meraki Moon"?

"Meraki is Greek for the love that you put into your work. I actually just stumbled upon the word by chance. I thought it was a cute word and it really represented where I wanted to start my business."

Denver's fashion scene

"I like Denver's fashion scene because we aren't always on the trendy side where you can only wear an item for one season. I think we have a good balance of being casual and then picking up on the trends that aren't going to go out of style."

What are three absolute must-haves when it comes to planning the perfect outfit?

"My favorite, perfect outfit that I feel never goes out of style is a classic pair of jeans, a basic tee or a graphic tee, and a leather jacket or denim jacket."

Spring trends

"I love a good silk midi-skirt with a graphic tee. I think that can be a year-round outfit, but definitely more for spring."

What's your favorite item you are currently selling?

"That's tough. I love all the graphic tees that we have right now. They're all pretty classic with a vintage and worn feel, and they don't have cheesy sayings on them. It's something that you can keep forever. Hip bands and beer tees, those are probably my favorite."

What items do people keep coming back in for?

"We cannot keep the graphic tees in stock. The balance of an item being high quality and affordable is important, so we have a lot of brands that we tend to always go back to, especially our basic sweaters and our jean line. Jeans are usually priced right at \$100, but the quality is great." **DLM**



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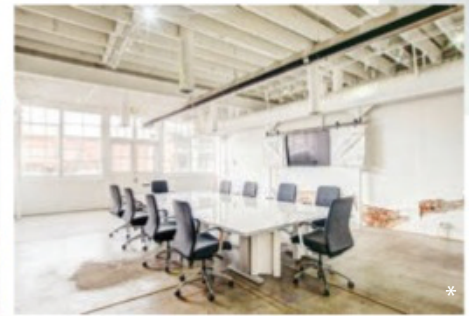
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DRYBAR STEPS

1. WASH AND CONDITION

Start by shampooing your hair from the roots down with Drybar’s new **Liquid Glass Smoothing Shampoo** (\$26). Rinse well, then apply **Liquid Glass Smoothing Conditioner** (\$26) from mid-shaft down and rinse after 1-5 minutes. Both contain Vegan Keratin, Neroli Oil, and Murumuru Butter that work together to give hair a healthy sheen. Halaby tells us that the products are especially popular in Denver because of the dry climate. “There’s definitely a local appeal because we’re all looking for a moisturizing shampoo and conditioner. Liquid Glass is hydrating without weighing your hair down.”



2. PREP

Halaby recommends applying silicone-free **Jumpstart Quick Dry Blowout Serum** (\$29) next to reduce styling time and protect your hair against heat. She confirms, “Always use a heat protectant before styling with a blow-dryer or heat tool. It’s the most important step.”



3. MASTER THE BLOWOUT

Hair can be styled with the traditional technique of a round-brush and blow-dryer, but Drybar now offers the **Double Shot Blow-Dryer Brush** (\$150) to make achieving the look even easier. Halaby says, “Instead of holding two tools in your hands, you’re just working with one—it’s really easy to use. It also has ionic technology which helps seal the hair cuticle for less frizz and lots of shine.”



4. FINAL TOUCH

Once you’ve created the hassle-free blowout of your dreams, there’s one last step: **Chaser High-Shine Finishing Cream** (\$25). Halaby says, “Pump a dollop into your hand and smooth it through the mid-shaft to ends. The Mica ingredient within reflects light, gives hair a luminous finish, and tames fly-aways.”



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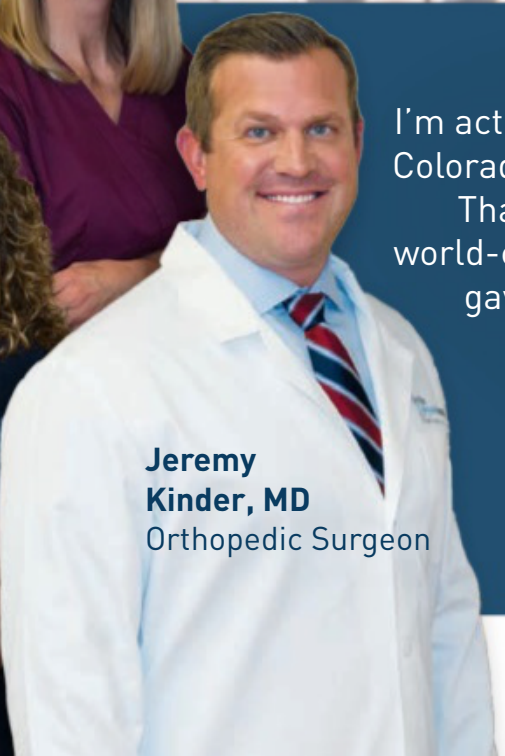
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Prepping your garden

SPRING IN COLORADO CAN MEAN RAIN, SNOW, OR FROST. HERE ARE SOME HELPFUL TIPS NO MATTER WHAT THE FORECAST REPORTS. **BY HOPE MARKS**

It's March and the days are longer. Plants are being purchased in high anticipation of warm sunshine. Spring will soon be sprung.

But in Colorado, what does that mean? We sat down with Jennifer Miller, a horticulturist at Denver Botanic Gardens, and Merry Johnson of Country Fair Garden Center to discuss the do's and don'ts of prepping your garden. Here's their five-step process.

1. MAKE A DECISION

If you are new to gardening, the first thing you should do is decide what kind of garden you want—based on the space available to you and the levels of sun and shade. Unfortunately, at high altitude, there isn't a fool-proof method of gardening. So, you just have to start.

2. TEST YOUR SOIL

It's important to remember that different kinds of plants need different kinds of soil. Once you've determined what kind of garden you want, test your soil before adding any fertilizer or other amendments.

3. CHECK THE LABEL

After you've made your decision for what kind of garden you want, get out your calendar and start planning. Knowing what you want to plant will save you time, money and effort. If you are planting with seeds, check out the label on the packet and that will tell you the best time to plant based on the average frost date from the previous year.

4. PRUNE YOUR SHRUBS

Next, make note of when to prune flowering shrubs. Lilac, forsythia, and viburnum are all popular choices to plant around homes in Denver. Pruning these isn't completely necessary, and you shouldn't consider pruning until after the bushes bloom in spring. Prune too soon and you will cut off the buds.

5. MOVE INDOORS

Mid-March is a good time to sow tomato, sweet pepper, and sweet pea seeds indoors. Move them outdoors after the weather starts to warm up. Lettuce and spinach can be planted outside around the third week of March, but only after slowly introducing them to colder weather. It's also a good idea to look at other gardens around your home and repeat what others have done successfully. Connecting with other gardeners will help you learn what grows best. **DLM**

GREEN TIP

Protect your garden. A frost cloth or hail cloth could save your hard work. Greenhouses and garden boxes are also helpful with protecting your garden from the elements.



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Bringing the registry back

WHITE PEACOCK SHOWS YOUNG COUPLES HOW TO REFRESH AN OLD TRADITION **BY SUSAN FORNOFF**

Doug Parsons has a theory about why few Denver stores maintain a bridal registry anymore: “It could be that thing where you tend to rebel against what you grow up with.” That said, his year-old Cherry Creek venture (with longtime local partners in The Brass Bed nearby) is staging its own rebellion, endeavoring to show young couples how to assemble china and everyday pieces in ways that look fresh and exciting. The couple makes an appointment, maybe with family and friends in tow, and is greeted with champagne served in Baccarat glassware and given an interactive presentation of china and crystal, 2020 style.

“It’s not like my mom, who registered for *a pattern*,” says Parsons. “Now you pick out a charger, and then something from another company, and another. And you end up with your own, special thing.”

Adds White Peacock associate Lily Neubert: “We have this beautiful, modern space, so people can put together these china patterns in a contemporary room and see how beautiful it can look. It doesn’t look old lady or too traditional. It’s fun! And it’s kind of sexy!”

Here’s a sample of the unique wares to be found at the White Peacock, with comments from Parsons. **DLM**

Oriente Italiano from Richard Ginori 1735. Dinner plate, \$95. “People have been flipping over the colors and how you can mix them. It’s hot.”



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Pebbles collection from Moser Glassworks. Stemless martini glass, \$150. “These come in different styles and colors, and they also do beautiful vases.”



Acrylic flatware from Sabre (Paris). Salad set, \$34. “Fun, bright, and colorful for spring.”

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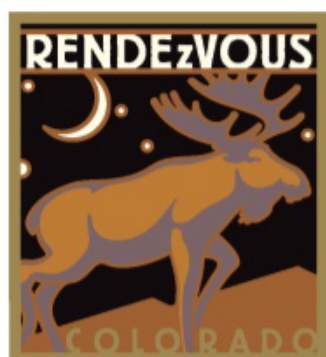
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On the comeback trail

Colorado Parks & Wildlife counted just two active bald eagles' nests in the state in 1978, when the nation's symbol of freedom had dwindled to near extinction. This year, eagle-eyed birders might spot mate-for-life couples and their young in parks in all four quadrants of the state, including: Yampa River State Park in the northwest, Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area in the southeast, Sweitzer State Park in the southwest—and, especially, Brighton's Barr Lake State Park, which is home to the Bird Conservatory of the Rockies and the Bald Eagle Watch Program. At latest count, what were once two active nests are now more than 200 around the state, including the Jackson Lake home of the proud survivor shown here. Don't forget your binoculars!

South Pearl Street

VISIT DENVER'S HISTORIC SHOPPING AREA

BY MARTHA BRINKMAN

Historical South Pearl Street is home to First Friday Art Walks and an impressive farmers' market. Whether you're attending those events or just walking along to take in a piece of Denver's culture, these places are must-sees.



1. Uno Mas Taqueria y Cantina

● Stop by this taqueria for lunch and enjoy a variety of innovative street tacos, made with local ingredients, and a margarita or two! There are offerings for carnivores and vegetarians alike. If you find yourself wanting something a little more Italian inspired, their sister restaurant, Kaos Pizzeria, is just down the block. **1585 South Pearl St., unomastaqueria.com**

2. Common Threads

● This boutique consignment shop, which

started in 2007 in Boulder and expanded to South Pearl in 2011, offers a wide range of designer clothing and shoes in like-new condition. This is a great stop for gifts for loved ones, trendy items for special occasions, or just a new piece to update your wardrobe.

1575 South Pearl St., shopcommonthreads.com

3. Second Star to the Right Children's Book Store

● Do you have a young literary scholar in your life? Step into this whim-

sical book and toy store, which also hosts events like Storytime and a young adult book club, among other fun activities throughout the year. **1545 South Pearl St., secondstartotherightbooks.com**

4. Gallery 1505

● This one's for the art connoisseurs! The gallery houses an ever-changing inventory of works by local artists. Step in to take a peek at what's on display, pick out the perfect addition to your collection, or even purchase a piece of beautiful handcrafted jewelry.

1505 South Pearl St., gallery1505.com

5. Sushi Den

● If you're craving some seriously sensational sushi, fret not in our landlocked state. Sushi Den's seafood is flown in daily from Tokyo, so it offers the international delicacy in the most au-

thentic—and fresh—way possible. If this venue seems a tad too formal for a weeknight out, do lunch there or stop by its sister restaurants, Iza-kaya Den and Ototo. **1487 South Pearl St., sushiden.com**

6. Stella's Gourmet Coffee and Such

● In the morning or for an afternoon pick me up, visit Stella's! Get your caffeine fix with a cup of specialty coffee or tea and curb your appetite with a scrumptious bagel or other baked good. **1476 South Pearl St., stellascOFFEE.com**

7. Que Bueno Suerte!

● For a traditional yet chic take on Mexican food, visit Que Bueno Suerte! (with an exclamation point). This newer restaurant, opened in 2016, is holding its own in this historic district by showcasing flavors from the various regions

of Mexico. It's open for dinner every night and offers brunch on the weekends.

1518 South Pearl St., qbsuerte.com



8. 5 Green Boxes

● Housed in two separate spaces is locally-owned 5 Green Boxes. One store offers unique furnishings and knick-knacks while the other features lovely embroidered clothing, funky jewelry, and unique souvenirs. This is a great stop while strolling down South Pearl and a fun place to get gifts during your visit.

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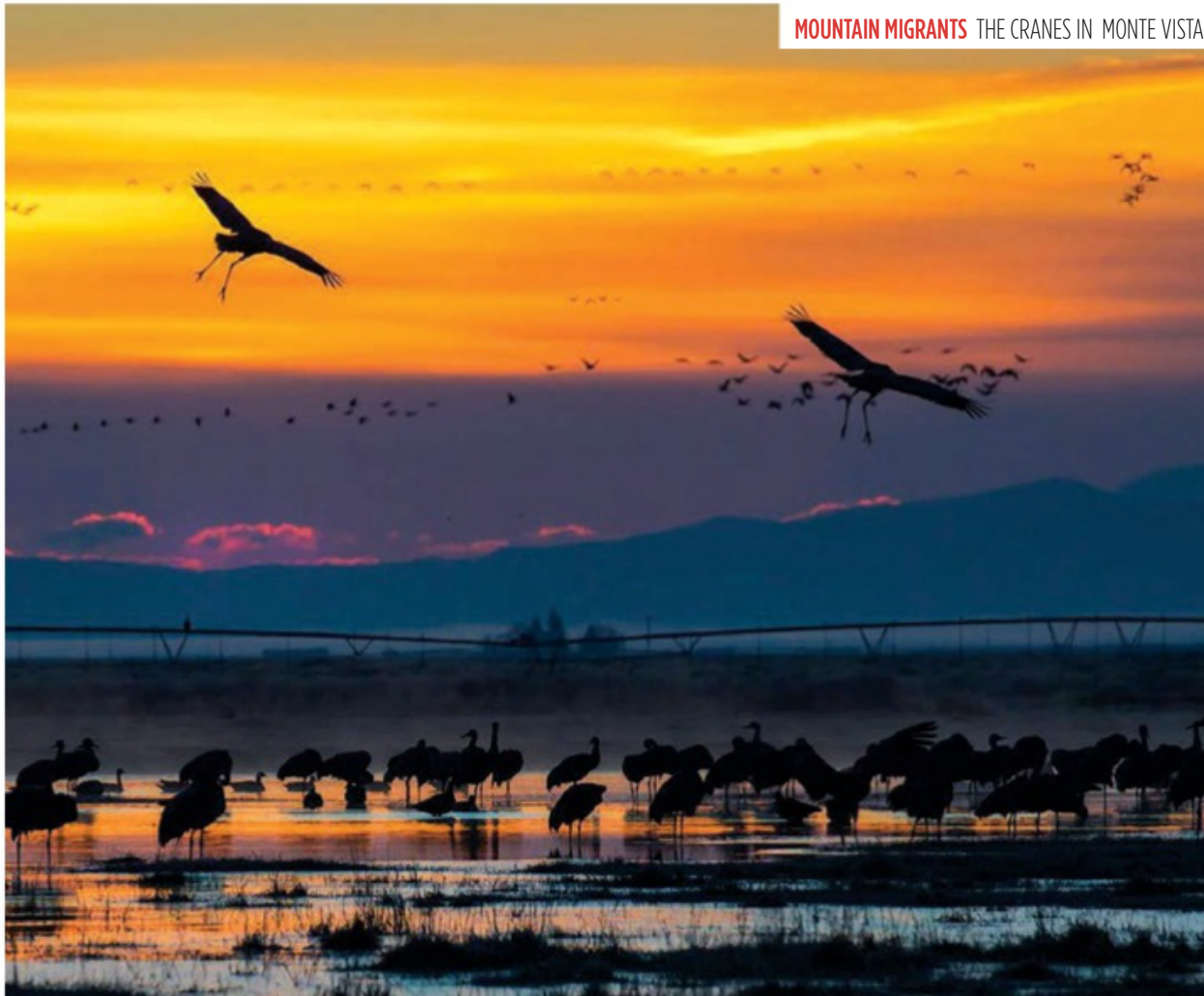
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Three places to... Go Birding!

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MONTE VISTA CRANE FESTIVAL

This is the festival where the sandhill cranes—20,000 of them, to be exact—meet the mountains. From March 6 to 8, experts will lead bus tours each morning at the Monte Vista National Wildlife Refuge. It doesn't stop there. Options include keynote speakers, wetlands tours, a craft/nature fair, and even activities for the children to enjoy. Tickets range from \$5 to \$20.

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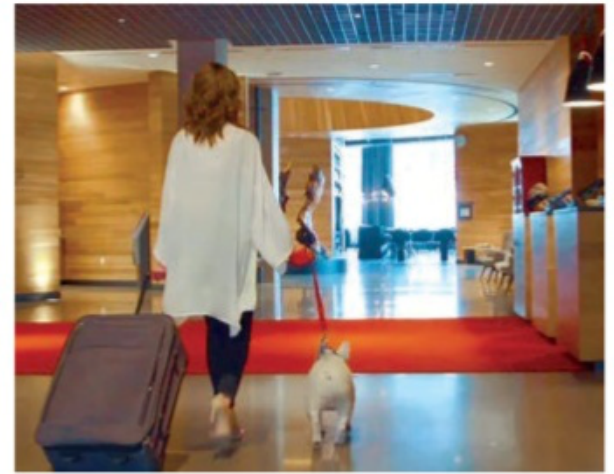
For a more upscale birding experience, consider the "Wings over Telluride" package. Starting in June, this spot offers a three-night stay, daily breakfast for two, and either a half or full day of birding activities. There is a guided birding excursion in the San Juan mountains, followed by a scenic picnic lunch, along with some birding amenities to keep you comfortable. (Sunscreen, anyone?) Packages start at \$1,099.

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MOUNTAIN PLOVER FESTIVAL

Head southeast to Karval for a birding festival that has a central theme of community. From April 24 to 26, there will be bird watching, history, entertainment, and the arts. To really immerse yourself, stay with local ranchers while you receive multiple tours, free home-cooked meals, and entry into a photo contest. Packages range from \$150 to \$400.

mountainploverfestival.com



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HOTEL INDIGO

1801 Wewatta St., indigodenver.com

WHY GO NOW? Hotel Indigo appeals to locals with its pet-pampering policy and frequent promotions that include discounts of up to 25 percent for Colorado residents and a special Urban Explorer package this spring. Only a few blocks from the Union Station light rail station and just across the street from the train station itself, it's a perfect place to escape weekend chores for a night or two—especially if you've got tickets to see the Nuggets, A's, or your favorite crooner at the Pepsi Center.

WHAT YOU GET: Rooms are ultra-modern and—good to know with the steam plant next door—ultra-quiet. Barn doors, hardwood floors, polished concrete ceilings, and plush beds give a luxurious, contemporary feel. Tip: Vast views of the city await on the eighth floor!

THE EXTRAS: Union Station offers a happy hour buffet of such gourmet bites, brews, and libations, one can while away the afternoon enjoyably knowing that respite is only steps away at the Indigo. There, the food, whisky, and staff at Hearth & Dram, just off the Indigo lobby, push a stay over the top. A whisky flight at the bar with Guy serves up education with indulgence. And there's this possibility for the footloose and fancy-free: At the bottom of Hearth's brunch menu Day Drinking section is the entry "Take The Elevator Home" at market price. While you enjoy your brunch and \$15 bottomless mimosas, ask the staff about that—you might be in for a steal of a one-night room deal! —*Susan Fornoff*



+ Avon has welcomed to its posh lodging lineup **Cohabit**, a new pod hotel offering small (not spartan) sleeping quarters with a boutique hotel feel at under \$100 nightly.

+ Through April, it's whale-watching season off the coast of Oxnard, Calif., a gateway port for boat trips to **Channel Islands National Park**. visitoxnard.com

+ **Pikes Peak's** new Summit House has a fall opening planned, but the Cog Railway will be undergoing repairs until at least next year. pikes-peak.com

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Denver's favorite Florida destination promises a host of new attractions in 2020, ranging from thrilling/terrifying/stomach-churning rides to a value hotel. Fly nonstop to Orlando via Frontier, Spirit, United, or Southwest airlines this spring, and you might be among the first to experience:

- The world's tallest slingshot ride, catapulting thrill-seekers 450 feet into the air, at **ICON Park**.
- **"Mickey and Minnie's Runaway Railway,"** the first Mickey-themed ride-through attraction, at Disney's Hollywood Studios.
- At **Epcot**, three new films and the biggest nighttime spectacular ever staged at a Disney park.
- **The Bourne Stuntacular**, a "cutting-edge live-action stunt show" at Universal Studios Florida.



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- **Ice Breaker**, a coaster of sorts at SeaWorld with four big-air launches, culminating in the "steepest beyond-vertical drop in Florida—a 93-foot-tall spike with 100-degree angle."
- Of course, there's more. Time your visit just right, and you could be the first to sleep in a hotel bed: **The Dockside Inn and Suites** are opening at Universal Or-

lando Resort March 17, with a whopping 2,050 rooms at not-so-wallet-whipping rates as low as \$76 a night.

- Or, use your points at the **JW Marriott Orlando Bonnet Creek Resort & Spa**, a more upscale property opening in March. There's always a place to sleep in Orlando: It ranks second only to Las Vegas in number of hotel rooms. Zzzzzzzzzzz...

gear and gadgets

STAY THE COURSE

Think you'll never need a compass? Think again, and heed these tips for navigating with the most underestimated tool in your hiking pack.

In an age where advanced outdoor tech is all the rage, don't forget about the tried and true instruments that will always have you covered—like the compass. Says Joshua Baruch, owner and senior guide/educator at Boulder-based Colorado Wilderness Rides and Guides, "Technology keeps improving every year, but there's a gap in terms of what the tech is able to do. Making sure you can still do accurate, reliable navigating allows you to make better decisions in the field. It's important, even if you're using mobile apps or other technology, to have a fundamental basis of how to use a compass." Baruch used knowledge from his 23 years of backcountry experience to compile his most valuable pointers for best utilizing the centuries-old navigation device:

- **Always maintain the same orientation in reference to your body.** Baruch says, "Instead of turning your compass, turn your body—making sure the compass is oriented in reference to your center." He recommends using your belly-button as your center point of reference.

still be able to navigate if batteries die or conditions deteriorate."

- **Pay attention to your surroundings.** Baruch says, "A compass is a metallic instrument, so while you're taking readings, it's critical to make sure that you're not on metal or in a metal environment. Materials in your environment can inhibit proper use of the device."

Visit coloradowildernessridesandguides.com or read their "Essentials of Backcountry Navigation" article for more information. —Erin Malcolm

- **Supplement navigation with other technology or mobile apps, but never replace the compass entirely.** Baruch says, "On long trips or in cold environments, using a compass instead of relying solely on applications will ensure you'll

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FAT TIRES GIVE CYCLISTS A CHANCE TO ENJOY THE SNOW.

BY KATIE COAKLEY

It was overcast with a crisp breeze that was gaining in strength at Snow Mountain Ranch near Granby. Snow was in the forecast; both the meteorologist and the gathering clouds seemed to agree on the expected 3-5 inches of fresh powder. As my friends and I walked our bikes to the trailhead, we noticed the weather but didn't let it dissuade us from our intended ride. After all, snow was what we were here for.

I swung my leg over the bike frame, looked at my friends and said, "OK, let's go."

The three of us had rented fat bikes

as an alternative to snowshoeing and cross-country skiing to tour around Snow Mountain Ranch's expansive terrain. With fat bikes, we could cover more ground and get a decent workout. Plus, all three of us knew how to ride a bike; my cross-country skiing skills are somewhere between laughable and nonexistent. We set off on the marked, groomed trail, our tires creating fat lines on the snow as we headed into the evergreens.

Cycling isn't a new sport, but fat bikes didn't really start entering the collective consciousness until 2010 when two companies, Surly and Salsa,



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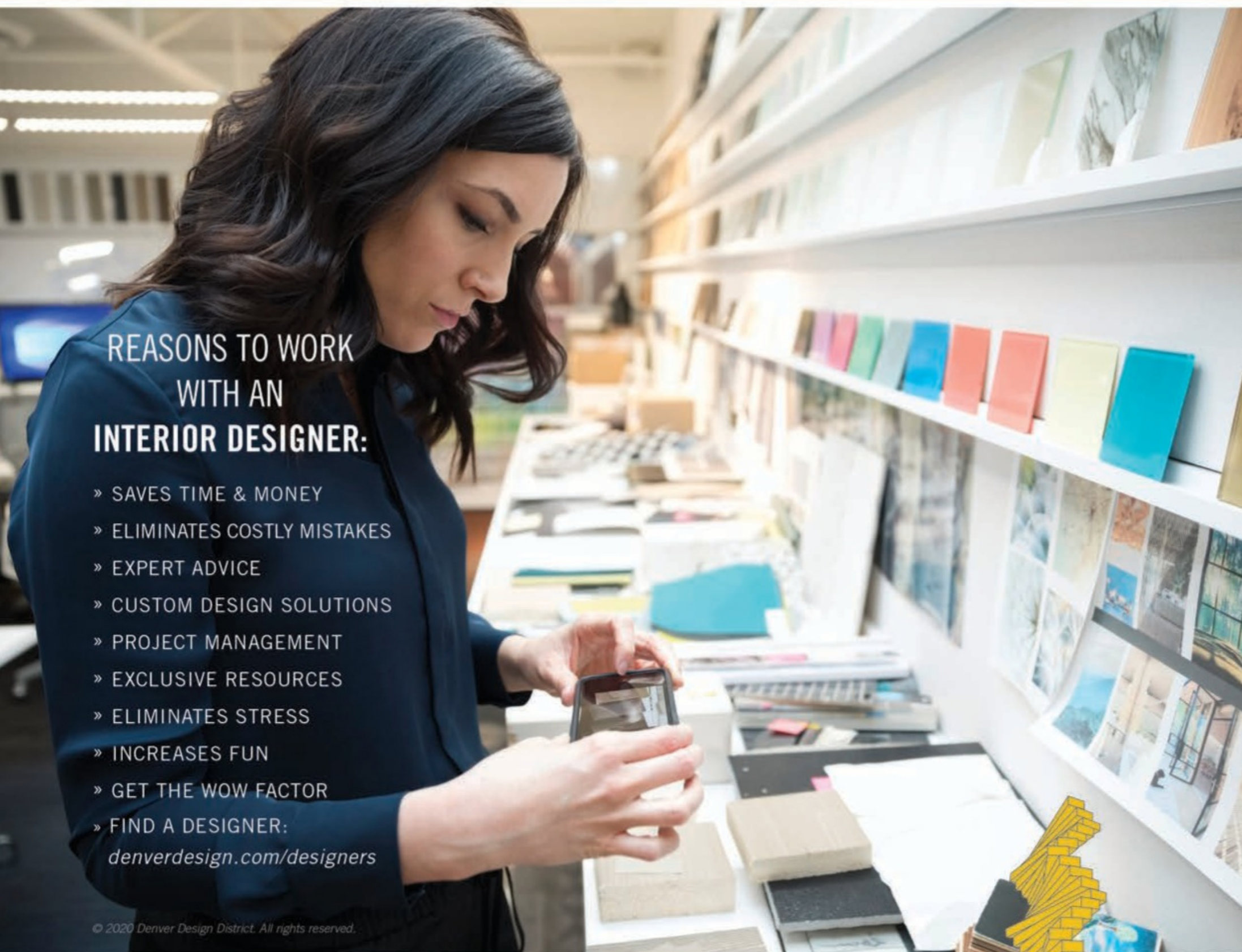
WINTER CYCLING OFFERS EXPANSIVE VIEWS IN STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, TOP, AND BRECKENRIDGE, ABOVE.

constructed with mountain bike parts and the signature oversized tires.) Rock-

released complete fat bikes into bike shops around the country. (Previously, the fat bike consisted of just a frame and a fork,

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ing almost comically fat tires that range in width from four to five inches, these bikes expanded cycling season to year-round, allowing avid riders and novices alike to take to the snow-covered trails during winter.

The secret is in the tires: Inflated to a lower pressure than standard bike tires, these fatties float, carrying riders over snow and slush that would normally suck skinnier tires in like quicksand. As a result, fat bikes are seen in a wide variety of snowy scenes, from groomed cross-country trails to bike paths and downhill trails. There are races, like the Borealis Fat Bike World Championships in Crested Butte every January. But unlike some other types of cycling, the feel is laid back: This year's race festivities included a Fat Bike Polo tournament on downtown Elk Avenue on Friday night.

After all, it can be hard to take yourself seriously while on a bike with tires this size, so why not make it fun?

Fat biking is fun. There's something almost magical about peddling through a winter wonderland, the snow crunching and squeaking under your tires. It can be a workout; if the snow is too soft or fresh, riding can feel like you're slogging through mud. But when the conditions are right, there's no better way to spend an afternoon than cruising through the snow on two perfectly fat wheels. **DLM**

GETTING A GRIP SNOW CANNOT DETER A FAT BIKE.



READY TO HIT THE SNOW ON A FAT BIKE?

Here are a handful of Colorado locations that are ready to ride:

① GRANBY

Snow Mountain Ranch at YMCA of the Rockies in Granby has 10 kilometers of groomed trails reserved for fat biking. Bikes in three different adult sizes can be rented from the Nordic Center. Rentals are \$60 for a full day, \$40 for a half day and \$20 per hour. snowmountainranch.org

② KREMMLING

Latigo Ranch is not only a working dude ranch in Kremmling—it has also operated as a cross-country ski center for the past 28 seasons. Here,

you can bypass the horses and explore 50 kilometers of groomed trails in pristine, quiet beauty. No onsite rentals. latigotrails.com

③ LEADVILLE

Explore more than 50 miles of free groomed trails around Leadville and the bike-friendly network at the **Tennessee Pass Nordic Center**. Stick to their trails or head to the 11.6-mile **Mineral Belt Trail**, where you can cruise past historic mine sites and enjoy stupendous views of the Sawatch Range. tennesseepass.com

④ BRECKENRIDGE

Breckenridge has a great network of trails to explore, whether you stick to the **Blue River bike path** or opt for a more spirited cruise with a guided **fat bike beer and distillery tour**. Still haven't run out of steam? **Gold Run Nordic Center** offers a fun and "moderately strenuous" full moon fat bike ride for \$10. Rentals start at \$15 per hour. breckenridgerecreation.com

⑤ STEAMBOAT SPRINGS

In Steamboat Springs, **Howelsen Hill's Nordic trails** are

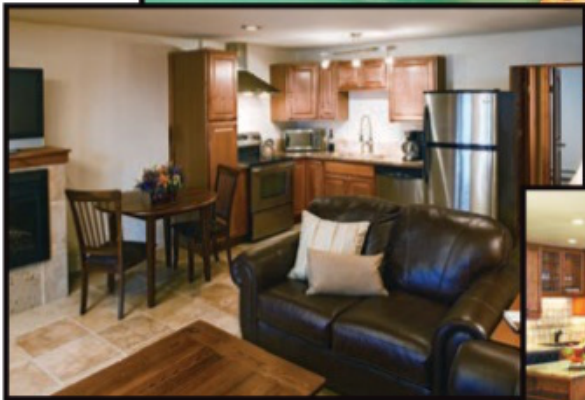
open to fat bikes (except from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays) and both **Haymaker** and **Lake Catamount Nordic centers** offer fat bike specific trails as well. **Lake Catamount** has a fat-bike-exclusive single-track that ranges from 5 to 10 kilometers long, depending on snow conditions; Haymaker Nordic Center offers 10 kilometers of single track exclusively for fat bikes with three loop options, including a gentle loop for beginners. Rentals at Haymaker start at \$19; half day is \$25 and full day is \$35. steamboatcenter.com

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LET THE KIDS HAVE THEIR BARS AND TRENDY HOT SPOTS. IT'S TIME TO FEEL YOUNG AGAIN IN THE FLORIDA KEYS. **BY ALLYSON REEDY**

I'm still not entirely sure how I ended up in Florida for Adult Spring Break.

I've never been a fan of the state. The humidity, the bugs, and my irrational fear of fish—which always seemed to zero in on my legs when I was in Florida waters—had kept my beach vacations to pretty much anywhere but Florida.

But it had been a rough year. I recently separated from my husband of 12 years, and one of our two young children had taken it particularly un-well. The past several months had been intensely sad, heartbreaking, and exhausting. So when my aunt offered to take my kids for spring break week, I couldn't throw them at her fast enough.

I started planning my own spring break trip. First to Cuba, then Costa Rica, then Mexico. For a variety of reasons, none of those destinations worked out, but the Sunshine State did. And somehow, in the end, I had the greatest-ever Adult Spring Break in the Florida Keys with my best friend, whom I'd known since we were young enough to have actual, real-life, public school spring breaks.

This was my first time in the Keys, and I found the 125-mile long strand of islands to be pretty different from my previous Floridian experiences. It was less humid, less buggy, and, I'm happy to report, the fish stayed away from my legs.

We started in Key West, where we spent three days and nights on an anchored sailboat we rented from Airbnb. We couldn't have had a better time had we stayed at the world's most luxurious resort. Our stunning aquatic surroundings in tranquil Cow Key more than made up for our boat's lack of amenities (like refrigeration, plumbing, air conditioning, space to walk around, and pretty much any other amenity you can think of).

I felt the happiest I'd felt in years exploring the glass-like waters via kayak, gleefully trying to match my strokes to my friend's as we glided across the water. We navigated—and I mean navigated—mangroves searching for jellyfish and manatees, we snorkeled, alone and unbothered, with tens of nurse sharks, and each night



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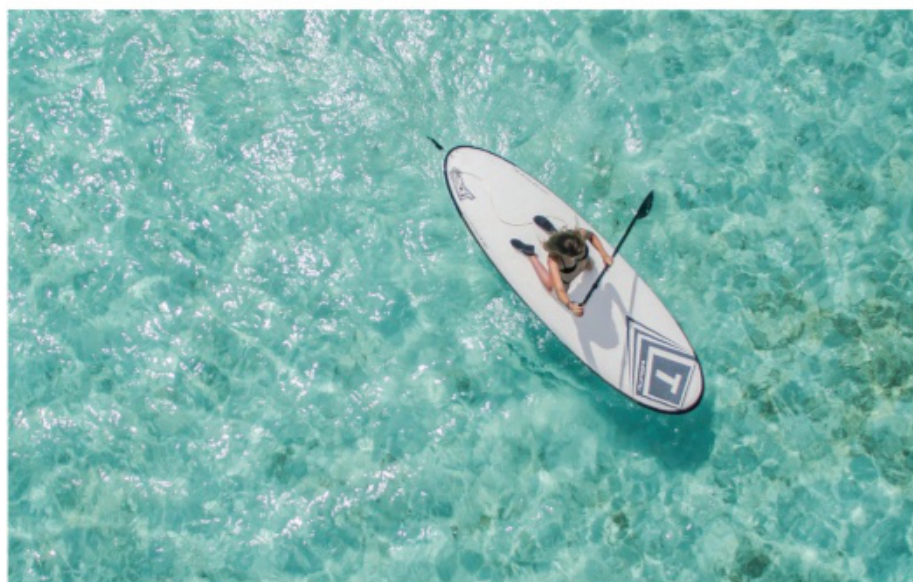
we docked our kayak for dinner, instead of parking a car.

One night we rowed ourselves to shore and hit Key West's bar-lined, Bourbon Street-esque Duval Street, which overflowed with stereotypical (read: younger) spring breakers. That jaunt was enough for us to fully surrender to the slower pace of our Adult Spring Break, which, at age 37, no longer involved 2 a.m. beer bongs.

As much as we adored staying on our little sailboat, after three days we were ready for a shower and toilet that had, you know, walls around it. We drove north to Key Largo, where we checked into Baker's Cay Resort, a beautiful, nature-inspired property tucked into a lush, waterfront setting.

Coming off the sailboat experience, merely having air conditioning seemed extravagant, but Baker's Cay further spoiled us with a balcony overlooking Florida Bay, an Aveda-stocked spa, and a tiki bar smack dab on one of the resort's two private beaches.

On the rare occasion we left our lounge chairs on Coconut Beach, it was to ex-



plore more of that amazing water, which might be the most consistently clear I've ever seen. With an abundance of both coral reefs and shipwrecks, Key Largo is known as the dive capital of the world, and while we didn't do any diving, we were blown away by the variety of fish and colorful coral we encountered snorkeling around White Bank.

By the time our week in the Keys was up, I'd made a few breakthroughs. I could most certainly find joy in post-divorce life, Florida was pretty cool after all, and every adult should get a spring break. **DLM**

LAZY DAYS

BAKERS CAY RESORT, TOP, HAS JUST THE SPOT FOR RELAXING AFTER A DAY OF WATER SPORTS THAT MIGHT INCLUDE STAND-UP PADDLEBOARDING.

WHAT TO DO

● There are beaches and bars, Ernest Hemingway's house and an artisan village, but come on, you're there for the water. Charter a fishing boat, hop on a paddleboard at John Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park, dive a shipwreck, snorkel with nurse sharks, kayak a mangrove maze, zip around on a jet ski, or just settle in for the afternoon on an oversize floatie. When you're in the Keys, you'll want to get wet.

WHAT TO EAT

● After eating your weight in conch fritters and stone crab and "researching" all of the delicacies at Cuban bakeries, you'll have to push through the fullness for key lime pie. Key West's Blue Heaven restaurant—where Oprah's a big fan—is a favorite for its vertiginous, meringue-topped slices. You can even have it for breakfast; we won't tell.

WHERE TO STAY

● Hurricane Irma may have temporarily knocked down Baker's Cay Resort in 2017, but it didn't knock it out. The 200-room, waterfront luxury resort reopened in February 2019 with a refreshed look; use it as your base-camp for exploring Key Largo's storied waters. (Rates from \$280 May-December; \$475 January-April)

● Airbnb.com has many quirky rentals in the Keys, from tiny houses at sea to a floating barrel cabin to rustic sailboats.

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