

**Partner Institutions for Mining-Related Visits
or Research Questions by Colorado Region**

Boulder County



Gold Hill Museum

Official Mailing Address:
Historic Gold Hill, Inc.
9998 Gold Hill Road-Gold Hill
Boulder, CO 80302-8711

Site Address:
Gold Hill Museum
661 Pine Street
Gold Hill, CO

www.goldhillmuseum.org

Located in the St. James Chapel in Gold Hill, this museum offers a way to study Gold Hill history and its way of life. For over a decade, this building has been the depository of historical data, documents, photographs, genealogy, mining artifacts and books. The public can access the collection, creating awareness and encouraging the preservation of this piece of Colorado history.



Lafayette Miners Museum

108 East Simpson Street
Lafayette, CO 80026

303-665-7030

www.cityoflafayette.com

The Lafayette Miners Museum is located in the Lewis Home (National Register of Historic Places, Lafayette Register of Historic Places). We have displays , artifacts and information related to mining which was the main business in the Town of Lafayette from the 1890s through the 1970s.



***Nederland Area
Historical Society
Gillaspie House Museum***

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1252
Nederland, CO 80466

Gillaspie House Address: 102 4th
Street at Bridge Street
Nederland, CO

303-258-3082 (where you will
reach caretakers and docents Dale and Betty Porter)

no website

The Gillaspie House, built in 1906, is a typical miner's cabin. The Nederland Area Historical Society maintains the house as a museum for domestic artifacts from the early 20th century. Most of the artifacts were donated by local mining families. The Museum is open weekends from 10 am-4pm from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Admission is free.



Nederland Mining Museum

200 North Bridge St.
Nederland, CO 80466
(mailing address) 5201 St. Vrain Road, Longmont,
CO 80503

303-258-7332

<http://www.bouldercounty.org/os/culture/pages/miningmuseum.aspx>

Explore Boulder County's rich mining history at the Nederland Mining Museum. For over 100 years hard rock mining was a leading industry in Colorado mountains. Objects and stories bring alive the experience of the hard life working in a mining camp in the old days. Visitors of all ages enjoy this museum!

Northwest



Tread of Pioneers Museum

P.O. Box 772372 / 800 Oak St.
Steamboat Springs, CO 80477

970-879-2214

970-879-6109 (fax)

www.treadofpioneers.org

Along with ranching, mining has been an important part of the economic foundation of Routt County. Although gold and silver were the treasures that many sought, it is coal that sustains the mining industry in this area. From the turn of the century until the early 1950s a dozen mines operated in the coal fields between Oak Creek and Steamboat Springs. Today Routt County is a leading producer of low sulfur, high BTU coal. Peabody's Twentymile Coal Company, located twenty miles southeast of Steamboat Springs, is the most productive mine in Colorado and one of the largest and most productive underground mines in the country.



Hahns Peak Area Historical Society

PO Box 803
Clark, CO 80428

970-879-7291 (Summer)
303-887-4341 (cell)

www.hahnspeakhistoric.com

In 2012, the Hahns Peak Area Historic Society constructed a pole barn to preserve donated mining artifacts from area mines, including the Royal Flush Mine, one of the largest hard rock operations in North Routt. Interpretive displays give visitors a chance to step back into time when Hahns Peak was a thriving gold mining camp. The pole barn joins our other buildings--the Hahns Peak Schoolhouse, museum and Wither cabin--which perpetuate the mission of the society which is historic preservation of the area, its exploration, settlement and development.

South Central



Gilpin Historical Society

P.O. Box 247, 228 E. 1st High St.
Central City, CO 80427

303-582-5283

www.gilpinhistory.org

The Gilpin Historical Society's mission is to collect, preserve, and display items related to the history of Gilpin County. Mining plays a major role in the county's history. In order to share that history, the society has a room in its history museum dedicated to mining history also conducts tours of the Coeur d'Alene Mine Shaft House on Academy Hill in Central City.



NATIONAL MINING
HALL OF FAME
AND MUSEUM

***National Mining Hall of Fame and
Museum***

120 West Ninth Street
Leadville, CO 80461

719-486-1229

www.mininghalloffame.org

Located in the famous 1880s silver mining boomtown of Leadville, Colorado at the top of Colorado's Rocky Mountains, the National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum is a monument to the memory of the men and women who pioneered the discovery, development, and processing of our nation's natural resources. Mining's colorful history is showcased throughout the facility.



South Park City

100 4th Street
PO Box 634
Fairplay, CO 80440

719-836-2387

www.southparkcity.org

South Park City accurately represents a mining boomtown between 1860 and 1900. Over forty authentic buildings filled with approximately 60,000 artifacts portray most of the economic and social aspects of mining boomtown life. Seven of the buildings are on their original sites; the others have been moved from abandoned camps and ghost towns in South Park. The restored buildings contain period room settings and exhibits illustrating the professions, trades and industries, that contributed to life in a nineteenth century Colorado mining town.

Southeast

The Western Museum of Mining and Industry

225 Northgate Blvd.
Colorado Springs, CO 80921

719-488-0880

<http://www.wmmi.org/>



To educate the public about the history of mining in the American West through its collection, restoration, exhibition, and interpretation of artifacts related to mining, metallurgy, and their support industries. This includes educational activities like Heritage Lectures, Family Exploration Days, and hands-on workshops and training events.

Southwest



Hard Tack Mine Tours and Museum

P.O. Box 94
Lake City, CO 81235

970-944-2506

www.Hardtackmine.com

Take a step back in time and journey deep inside a real mine tunnel. On a 40 minute tour , visitors will meet a crew of Hard Rock Miners. A tour guide will take visitors back in time to experience the history of mining in the Lake City area. Participants will encounter unique displays, photos, crystals, minerals and much more. A great time for the whole family awaits at the Hard Tack Mine.



Animas Museum

Official Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 2284
Durango, CO 81302

Site Address:

3065 W. 2nd Ave.
Durango, CO 81301

970-259-2402

www.animasmuseum.org

The mission of the La Plata County Historical Society, which operates the Animas Museum, is to preserve La Plata County history and culture. Through exhibits, programming and educational outreach the society shares the stories of those who have shaped our area. Miners in the rugged San Juan's, freighters, smelters and railroaders (and the occasional outlaw) all have woven the rich tapestry that is southwest Colorado.