

“Exploring Community Involvement and Collaboration”

April 27-28, 2018

Get Ready to Enjoy the 2018 Colorado AAUW Convention Hosted by the
Littleton-South Metro Branch

The 2018 Convention will be held at the [Hilton Garden Inn](#) in Highlands Ranch, 1050 Plaza Drive, Highlands Ranch, CO 80126. The hotel provides an intimate venue for our Saturday meetings and for out-of-town guests staying overnight. The Friday afternoon Executive Committee and InterBranch Council meetings will also be held at the Hilton. Guests staying at the hotel will have free breakfast.



Friday afternoon, tour the [Littleton Museum](#), 6028 S. Gallup Street, Littleton CO 80120. The museum serves as the primary repository for the history, art and culture of Littleton. Situated on 39 acres, it consists of two living history farms of the 1800's. It is the only **Smithsonian Affiliate** in Colorado and is often cited as one of the top ten local history museums in the U.S. We are proud to have Rebecca Kast, former Littleton City Council Member, who will give us a briefing entitled “Little Known Stories About Littleton” and guide us through the museum and grounds. Remember to bring comfortable walking

shoes and dress for the weather.

The Friday evening reception will be held at the Littleton [Depot Art Gallery](#), 2069 Powers Ave, Littleton, CO 80120. Known for its unique structure and history, the gallery is housed in a restored Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad train station originally built in 1888. A renovated 1890's caboose added in 1979 is used as one of the galleries. The gallery is operated by the Littleton Fine Arts Guild and was originally started by ten women interested in paintings. Works by skilled artists in mediums from paintings, photography, pottery, and jewelry are on display and available for purchase. The reception will be a great time to catch up with other AAUW members from across the state, while enjoying hors d'oeuvres and wine and viewing the gallery.



If you arrive early or stay an extra day, the Littleton area offers excellent restaurants for dining and unique shops for browsing in historic [Old Town Littleton](#). There are also numerous opportunities to enjoy the outdoors and cultural events. Outdoor activities include visiting the [Carson Nature Center](#) and strolling the [Mary Carter Greenway](#) on the South Platte River or touring [Hudson Gardens](#) consisting of 30 acres of botanical gardens. For evening entertainment, the [Littleton Town Hall Arts Center](#) will be featuring the Sisters of Swing, a tribute to the Andrews sisters.

Plan to attend this exciting convention and take time to enjoy the historic Littleton area.