



Art's new places



Artspace Loveland Lofts, Feed & Grain mill form arts center

Union of the century-old and the brand-new is the major theme in current downtown Loveland development. Three years ago the Rialto Theater, built in 1920, gained a new, three-story neighbor in the Rialto Bridge, the two combining into the Rialto Theater Center.

This year Artspace Loveland Lofts, home to 30 low-income artist households, opened in June adjacent to the 123-year-old Loveland Feed & Grain mill, a ghostly relic of the city's agrarian past destined to become a focal point for its art-centered future. The result is the Loveland Arts

Campus, a center for artists and their families to live and work, and for the community to celebrate the city's artistic traditions.

Thirty new apartments in a four-story building on Third Street, just west of the Burlington-Northern/Santa Fe railroad tracks and the Feed & Grain, house single adults, couples and families who have one aspect of their lives in common: They are all engaged in artistic pursuits. Some are painters, others sculptors. Musicians and composers, dancers, writers, and film-makers are among residents.

Artspace Loveland Lofts is the 39th project nationwide built and owned by Artspace Projects Inc., a Minneapolis-based non-profit real estate developer that specializes in affordable housing for artists.

The Loveland Arts Campus (above) fronts Third Street west of Railroad Avenue. **Below**, Faith and Ken Gauthier and son Kincaid are new Artspace residents.

Loveland was a logical target for Artspace's first Colorado project. While nearly a tenth of the city's workforce is engaged in creative arts, housing costs have left many of them out in the cold, and forced some to leave the community. That is why Loveland City Council members saw fit to participate in the Artspace project, committing in February 2013 to a gap-filling \$300,000, 30-year loan to supplement Artspace's funding formula.



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Greg Hanberg, Artspace's senior vice president for properties, described for councilors the demographics and market research that led his company to Loveland, and outlined the economic benefits that would accrue.

"We've done this 32 times around the country," Hanberg said then. "None of those cities can match the statistics that you see in front of you."

The deal for the \$8.6 million Artspace Loveland Lofts project was sealed in May 2013 when the Colorado Housing Finance Authority allocated \$5.6 million in Low-Income Housing Tax Credits to the development. The tax credits, an affordable housing tool crafted by the administration of President Ronald Reagan, are a key ingredient in nearly all Artspace projects, providing instant equity to move them forward.

Artspace officials have said the tax credit award was largely due to the efforts of Sam Betters, executive director of the Loveland Housing Authority that now manages the lofts' apartment/studio units.

A board made up of Housing Authority staff members, an Artspace representative and members of the Loveland arts community began interviewing prospective tenants in December 2014, and the first income-qualified residents settled in June.

"You know, it already feels like home," new resident and photographer Faith Gauthier said in mid-July. She and her visual-artist husband, Ken Gauthier, and 6-year-old son Kincaid had just finished moving the last carload of their belongings into a two-bedroom apartment on the building's third floor. "We feel so fortunate to be among the first people to live here."

June's announcement of an \$862,000 economic development grant from the U.S. Department



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Loveland artist Carrie Johansing's "Nazmehidy Revisited" (above) installed in the Loveland Feed & Grain mill last year. **Below**, concrete workers in late July were finishing part of the public plaza that will unite the new Artspace Loveland Lofts and the Feed & Grain as a gathering spot.

of Commerce, specifically for renovation of the iconic Feed & Grain mill, was another giant boost for the Loveland Arts Campus. The Feed & Grain reincarnation will be complete as an incubator for arts-related businesses and a space for performances and exhibits.

Rescued from demolition first by a group of grassroots preservationists and ultimately by the sale to Artspace by its patient owner, the old building is an art harbor unto itself.

Loveland artists have used its 19th Century Western industrial character, with soaring ceilings, massive wooden beams and iron fixtures, to full advantage in their exhibitions and installations.

Loveland mixed-media artist Carrie Johansing, in a 2014 installation titled "Nazmehidy Revisited," wrapped an interior beam in glowing, light-emitting "rope" that snaked surreally



through the huge rafters and cascaded into a tangled coil on the heavy plank floor.

"The Feed & Grain is a masterpiece," Johansing said. "As an artist, trying to honor that building is my goal. The environment determines the direction of the piece. I have a visualization of what it's going to do, and then, in the building, it has its own life. It's the ultimate canvas."

Learn more online

Visit www.artspace.org to see more of the Loveland Arts Campus and other Artspace projects.

Breweries, food trucks and farmers market join forces for good fun, good cause

For six years the City of Loveland has been operating a thriving weekly farmers market, which has grown from just seven vendors in its first year to more than 40, currently.

The market, which runs from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. every Sunday through Sept. 27 at Fairgrounds Park, features everything from farm-fresh eggs to artisan soaps to scratch baked goods and even cooking demonstrations, but on Aug. 30, they're kicking it up a notch...or two...or three.

For the first time ever, the farmers market is going to include craft beer and food from local food truck vendors. All proceeds from beer sales and a portion of food truck sales will be donated to the Food Bank for Larimer County thanks to a collaboration between the farmers market and the Front Range Rally—a fundraising organization that brings local craft beer and food trucks to events to raise funds for the food bank.

According to Paul Ferguson, who organizes the rallies, in just three years, they have raised \$100,000 for the food bank.

“Despite the generosity of the community and successful fundraising by the Front Range Rally and countless other food and

percent of all the food the food bank takes in is distributed to Loveland clients.

“We are very excited to be working with the City of Loveland’s Farmers Market. It’s a good fit since we place a heavy emphasis on healthy foods and strive to provide our clients with locally-grown produce. We are so grateful for this assistance,” Ross Dewey added.

The Aug. 30 farmers market will host the Grimm Brothers Brewhouse of Loveland and City Star Brewing of Berthoud, and include BBQ from Bedrock BBQ of Loveland and sandwiches from Shopey’s of Longmont. Live music will be provided by the Seers Band.

Another collaboration between the City of Loveland Farmers Market and Front Range Rally will be held Sept. 27. Participants will be announced once they’re booked.

For more information go to cityofloveland.org/farmersmarket or call 962-2432.



fundraising efforts, the need for food in Loveland is still great,” said Lauren Ross Dewey of the Food Bank for Larimer County.

Loveland Food Share, the food bank’s Loveland food distributor, served more than 10,400 individuals in 2014 and nearly 44

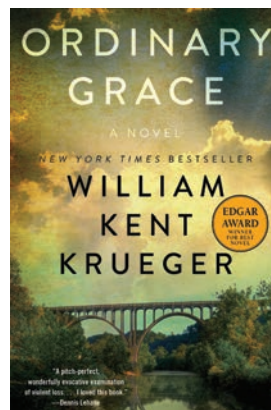
Author of 2015 Loveland Loves to Read book to discuss award-winning novel

William Kent Krueger, author of the 2015 Loveland Loves to Read book, *Ordinary Grace*, will discuss his Edgar Award-winning novel at 7 p.m., Sept. 28 at the Rialto Theater.

The book, which was selected by the Friends of the Library Loveland Loves to Read committee as the book for 2015, is a coming-of-age story that takes place during the summer of 1961 in a small Minnesota community where several unlikely deaths occur, creating an intense and multi-layered mystery.

Tickets for the author

discussion at the Rialto are \$5. Other related events include lunch with the author on Tuesday, Sept. 29 at Biaggi’s, a movie night at the library (free, with popcorn) on Wednesday, Sept. 30, and a writing workshop on the following Saturday, Oct. 3 at 1 p.m. with Victoria



Hanley. Three book discussions will be offered at the library, Sept. 1 at 9 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., and Sept. 2 at 9 a.m., and at the Chilson Senior Center, Sept. 28 at 11:30 a.m.

The library has 26 copies of *Ordinary Grace*, an audiobook, and an unlimited-use, downloadable OneClick Digital audio version, as well as book bags containing ten copies with notes for book groups.

For more information, call 962-2712 or visit friendsofthelovelandlibrary.org. For lunch and workshop reservations, call 613-2000.

Rolling street closures during USA Pro Challenge

The USA Pro Challenge, which rolls through Loveland on Aug. 22, will bring many cycling fans and sports enthusiasts to downtown Loveland.

While the City, county and State Patrol will work together to minimize the impact of street closures, residents should be aware of where and when they will occur.

Go to VisitLovelandCO.com or call 962-2015 for information on closures, events, parking, transportation and more.

Photo: Courtesy DJR Imaging



Volunteers needed for outdoor education programs

The City is looking for volunteers for its Trail Host and Environmental Education programs.

Volunteer trail hosts are trained to assist visitors and answer questions about natural area sites including natural history and regulations.

Environmental Education volunteers educate school children, adults and pre-school children in the Urban Wilderness Program, River Ecology Program, and PEEPs Preschool Environmental Education programs.

For more information or to sign up, call Michele Van Hare at 970-217-3173 or email Michele.VanHare@cityofloveland.org.

All training is provided and no experience is necessary.

Motorists should soon be on the look-out for students

The summertime is waning and before you know it, school will be back in session, and students will be walking and biking back and forth to school.

The City's Safe Routes to School program promotes safety for students and vigilance for motorists year-round but especially during the school year and especially at school start and end times.

For more info go to http://apps.saferoutesinfo.org/lawenforcement/resources/driving_tips.cfm or call 962-2558.



Harvest Bazaar

a fundraising event for the Chilson Senior Advisory Committee

Friday, September 18
9:00am-1:30pm

Enjoy hearty soups, chili, & delicious pies! Browse the craft tables for handmade gifts...just in time for the holidays!

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An important thing to consider when buying a new home - energy efficiency

For most people buying a home is the largest purchase they will ever make. So getting the best value is important, and for today's homebuyer, that should include considering how energy-efficient it will be in the future.

Northern Colorado ENERGY STAR Homes is transforming the regional new home market by providing information about high-performance construction and bringing consumers and builders together to make smarter choices when it comes to purchasing a new home.

Design standards build in savings

ENERGY STAR certified homes are designed and built to standards well above most other homes on the market today, delivering energy efficiency savings of up to 30 percent when compared to conventionally-built homes.

Northern Colorado ENERGY STAR Homes offers current information to homebuyers including active listings for certified homes in Northern Colorado including Fort Collins, Windsor, Loveland, Timnath and Severance, at nocoenergystarhomes.org.

There consumers can zoom in with a map to search individual listings by city. Each listing is linked to the listing realtor allowing the homebuyer to ask specific questions about the home. Each home listing on the site provides Multiple Listings Service information about the home and neighborhood, including pictures of the property inside and out.

A new home that has earned the ENERGY STAR label has undergone a process of inspections,



Photo: Courtesy R and R Homes

testing and verification to meet strict requirements set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, delivering better quality, comfort and durability.

ENERGY STAR homes have fewer leaks and drafts because they have undergone comprehensive air sealing, quality insulation and have high-performance windows and doors. They also feature high-efficiency heating and cooling systems and comprehensive water management systems that provide moisture barriers to protect roofs, walls and foundations from moisture damage.

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A list of Northern Colorado ENERGY STAR builders can found at nocoenergystarhomes.org.

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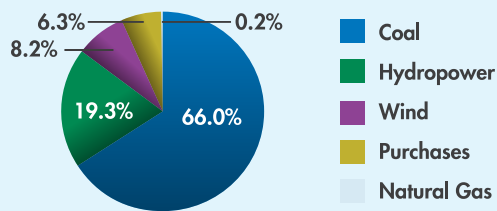
Platte River Power Authority is the not-for-profit wholesale electricity generation and transmission provider that delivers safe, reliable, environmentally responsible, and competitively priced energy and services to Loveland Water and Power for delivery to its customers. The City of Loveland co-owns Platte River with the cities of Fort Collins and Longmont; and the Town of Estes Park.

Founded: 1973
Headquarters: Fort Collins
Governance: Loveland is represented on Platte River's Board of Directors by Mayor Cecil Gutierrez and Steve Adams, Director of Water and Power.

Energy

About 27 percent of the energy Platte River will deliver to Loveland in 2015 is expected to come from non-carbon emitting sources.

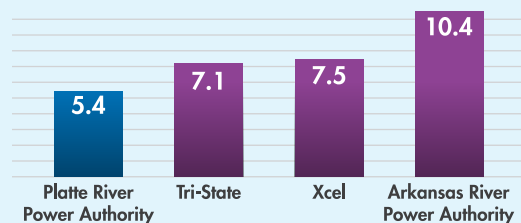
Projected Sources of Energy in 2015



Rates

Platte River is the lowest cost wholesale electricity provider located in Colorado, which helps ensure that the retail rates Loveland customers pay are among the lowest in the state.

Average Wholesale Rates (¢/kWh) 2014



Transmission

A high level of electric reliability is a result of a robust transmission system that includes 258 miles of wholly owned and operated high-voltage lines, 511 miles of high-voltage lines jointly owned with other utilities, and equipment in 26 substations.

Environmental Stewardship

Environmental stewardship is a top priority. Platte River has been a recipient of Larimer County's Environmental Stewardship Award and has never received an environmental sanction or fine. One reason for this is the use of state-of-the-art air quality control systems at its power generation stations to meet or exceed all applicable environmental laws and regulations.