Forney Museum of Transportation Phased Reopening Plan

The Forney Museum of Transportation is gradually reopening to the public. We are now open on limited business hours. We look forward to your visit!

You must purchase a ticket online, through our website, for a specific date and time to visit.

Tickets will not be available at the door.

We ask Museum Members to make a reservation by calling to schedule.

Visitation will be capped to limit the amount of people, and tickets are timed to give visitors 1 hour to tour the exhibits. Please arrive within 15 minutes of your selected time.

Municipal requirements for masks will be enforced.

Visitors will not be allowed entry without adequate face covering.

Children over the age of 2 should wear a mask.

No refunds will be issued.

We ask people to practice social distancing – staying at least six feet away from visitors not in your party.

Our gift shop will be open. We will only accept Debit/Credit at this time.

No bags or purses will be allowed. This includes backpacks and purses, please make appropriate accommodations before you visit.

Due to health and safety concerns, we cannot provide lockers at this time.

Tickets can be purchased through Eventbrite, here!

Updates at the Museum

Some quick updates from the Museum.

Volunteer Spotlight

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers!
News on the Museum Front

Some links from the Center for the Future of Museums

One in Eight Museums Worldwide May Never Reopen, According to the International Council of Museums

COVID-19: UNESCO and ICOM concerned about the situation faced by the world’s museums

America’s Patchwork Pandemic Is Fraying Even Further

Wealthy Donors Press Congress to Require Higher Giving in Crisis

Letter From Vienna: Kunsthistorisches Director Sabine Haag on How to Reopen Museums With Safety Rules That Are Smart, Not Draconian

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Read more articles posted by the Center for the Future of Museums on their Facebook page.

Updates at the Museum

Check out our virtual tour provided by Visit Denver here!

The current Movie Cars and More exhibit is on Instagram, where we are posting pictures for you to enjoy. Thanks to Rodz and Bodz of Littleton, CO, for lending the vehicles on display!

We have a downloadable coloring book and a train and automobile word search on the website for children to enjoy.

We are now part of the Denver Public Library Museum and Culture Pass program!

We are shifting some things around in the front of the Museum, including a “New Arrivals” section and replacing some cars that have been out on the floor for a long time. More details to come.

We would love to hear what cars you want to see displayed. Please email Amber with your suggestions. Who knows, it may make it out for your next visit to the Museum!
Help Needed!

Volunteer Opportunities

We still need your help! Your time and efforts are invaluable to the Museum and we appreciate your understanding in these unprecedented times.

Museum Guides:

We are recruiting volunteers willing to help monitor and patrol the exhibit floor during the Museum’s new hours. Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, volunteers will walk the exhibit floor to ensure a safe and enjoyable visitor experience.

Volunteers suitable for this position are those willing to interact with the guests and help relay and enforce current protocols in the Museum. Patrolling the exhibit floor and gift shop will require being on your feet. This would be a perfect opportunity for those who enjoy public engagement and keeping busy.

Visitor Services:

Any youngsters reaching the legal age to work, we have opportunities to volunteer in visitor services. The days of operation for this task are Friday to Sunday. Volunteers looking to build resume experience would learn how to use a register and point of sale system to sell admission tickets and gift shop items.

Virtual Educators:

Perfect for the tech-savvy and history aficionados. The Forney is looking for a virtual educator who can help develop virtual tours and educational content for our digital followers. The Museum has many artifacts and rich content that can be put to great use. Come explore our collection and help reach audiences beyond the Museum walls!

Auto Stewardship Program:

For experienced car enthusiasts who know their way around the care and preservation of vintage automobiles. Volunteers will be assigned a car to care for and take the auto shows. Find out more by contacting the Museum!

Contact:

Amber Pixley
Volunteer Coordinator
volunteer@forneymuseum.org
New Forney Volunteers and Interns

Becca Reidy

Museum Studies Grad Student
Harvard Extension School
Summer Internship at the Forney

Becca Reidy is curating a new bicycle display for the Museum. For her Summer internship at the Forney Museum, she is working closely with Nicole Bleau, Collections Manager, on a collections project that includes researching the Museum’s vintage bicycles, updating the records to ensure their accuracy and completeness, developing upon preservation strategies unique to vintage bicycles, and curating a new and comprehensive history of the bicycle for the exhibit, Pedaling Through Time: the History of Self-Propelled Vehicles.

We welcome Becca as part of the Forney Team and can’t wait to see the finished product!

Emily Ferrufino-Coqueugniot

MA in History
University of Colorado at Denver

Emily is helping move and organize the library with Don Vogel.

We welcome Emily as part of the Forney Team!

James Beck

Student at Colorado SKIES Academy

James is a young car enthusiast who brings his knowledge of vintage vehicles to the Forney. He is a great help in our auto body shop working with senior volunteers to restore vintage automobiles.

We welcome James as part of the Forney Team!

Isaiah Beck

Student at Golden View Classical Academy

Isaiah is another young volunteer and transportation enthusiast who enjoys polishing and preserving Museum artifacts and assisting staff on day-to-day tasks.

We welcome Isaiah as part of the Forney Team!
Some links for Places to Buy Groceries Online Right Now

1. Safeway Delivery

2. King Soopers Pickup and Delivery

3. Instacart
   How it works: Instacart gives you the ability to order from a few different stores at once. (Your options depend on what’s in your area, but examples include CVS, Wegmans, Aldi, and Costco or Sam’s Club – yes, even if you don’t have a membership). You get a friendly personal shopper who will run your errands and you can choose from pick-up, delivery or the new “Leave at My Door” option. Prices are Instacart’s own, though, and are often (but not always) more expensive than they are in stores. Which means you’ll pay for convenience.

4. The GrowHaus
   The GrowHaus is supporting residents of Globeville and Elyria-Swansea (GES) to ensure access to healthy food, information and resources. They have currently dedicated themselves to providing food packages to families facing food insecurity due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

5. Denver Food Emergency Food Access

6. Boxed
   How it works: Most of the offerings on Boxed are shelf-stable. There’s no membership fee to shop Boxed, although you can pay $49 a year to join Boxed Up, which gets you free or discounted shipping (normally $6.99 for orders less than $49) and 2 percent cash rewards.

7. Shipt
   How it works: Available in over 260 cities, Shipt delivers fresh produce and home essentials from local grocers as well as popular retailers like Costco, CVS, Target, and Petco. You’ll need a membership to use Shipt, however, and the cost is $14 per month, or $99 per year. A personal shopper will hand-pick each item in your order, sending text updates along the way and letting you add or substitute products in your cart. Note that Shipt’s personalized service might come at a cost and some products could have a slight markup. Delivery is free on orders of $35+, and you can change the delivery address to send groceries to friends and family.
Tom Barth

Tom worked on Union Pacific Railroad as an apprentice electrician; he was then furloughed and ended up at the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad as a Carman. The Carman supervisor found out Tom was an electrician’s apprentice and after talking to the shop Master Mechanic, Tom was set up to be a Journeyman Electrician the next day. Tom worked in all areas of the RR, from locomotive maintenance to outside areas to shop maintenance.

One of Tom’s hobbies includes working on Chevys, riding ATVs, and fixing things. He is the go-to person for advice on many areas of mechanics.

After he retired from UP RR, Tom and his lovely wife, Jessica, moved into a nice home in Lakewood and bought a motor home. They had more time to ride their ATVs, camp with the family and watch the kids grow up.

Tom joined the Forney Museum about 6 years ago and has been a great asset with his knowledge and inquisitive mind. Along with the able help of Doug Fox, Tom has repaired and made changes to the electrical system to bring it up to code. This ENDEAVOR has been going on since the dedicated volunteers have been with the Forney. Tom has been involved in other projects around the museum and his expertise helps keep the Forney moving forward.

Tom is an Army veteran and spent his time in the National Guard doing his enlistment state side. (Army Strong, as the saying goes.)

Doug Fox

Doug worked for the Anschutz Corporation and volunteered on the Denver and Rio Grande Ski Train to pursue his passion of skiing. He has also volunteered at Wings Over the Rockies. Doug brings valuable experience and knowledge to the Forney, and his enthusiasm and “let’s get going” attitude has been a driving force to see projects from the beginning to end. One of his great ideas was “Forney Fun Facts” which are located, in red, on display signs throughout the museum floor.

Doug’s great attitude and smiling face make him an easy person to get along with and he gets other volunteers to jump in and get going.

Doug and Tom are a great team. Doug is Tom’s right hand man, (shall we say apprentice,) and he is becoming a good electrician in his own right. There is not much this enterprising duo cannot do.

Doug’s driving force is his talented and enthusiastic wife Marty.

He served his country in the US Army, where he was stationed in Germany. After ending his commitment to the Army, he traveled through Europe. We are grateful to have him on the team.