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Upcoming Special Events!

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Tuesday, January 9, 2018, 12:30-1:30 pm, Colfax Store

South Korea

While North Korea gets a lot of attention for their nuclear ambitions and anti-western rhetoric, their neighbor to the south is making headlines of their own. The recent election of Moon Jae-in as President of South Korea is likely to bring some significant shifts in regional policy and create ripples throughout the world. Join Active Minds as we explore the country of South Korea, past, present, and future.

Tuesday, January 23, 2018, 5:00-6:00 pm, Colfax Store

Spain

From its heights as the dominant country in the world in the 16th century, Spain is now one of the European countries struggling with debt. Join Active Minds as we explore the roots and legacy of the Spanish Empire and how this important country fits into the regional and global puzzle today.

Tuesday, February 13, 2018, 12:30-1:30 pm, Aspen Grove Store

NASA and the Future of Space Exploration

Join Active Minds for a look at the future of manned and robotic space travel. We will cover the future of the International Space Station as well as the debate over how to prioritize investing in NASA versus other pressing needs.

Tuesday, February 27, 2018, 5:00-6:00 pm, Colfax Store

Muhammad Ali

Born Cassius Clay, the professional boxer known as Muhammad Ali was widely regarded as one of the most accomplished and controversial sports figures of the 20th century. Known for his outspoken approach, Ali was banned from boxing for over three years for refusing to be inducted after being drafted. Despite losing these years in the prime of his career, Ali's accomplishments in the ring remain unmatched. Join Active Minds as we review the life and legacy of the man often referred to simply as "The Greatest."

Tuesday, March 13, 2018, 12:30-1:30 pm, Colfax Store

Origins of the Blues

Join Active Minds as we look at the early days of the blues, from its roots in African American oral tradition to its rise as a mainstream American musical style. We'll explore the role of classic blues and prominent blues musicians in the early 20th century, examine the musical characteristics that make it different, and discuss how the blues has influenced other popular music genres.



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Tuesday, March 27, 2018, 5:00-6:00 pm, Colfax Store

North Korea

Tensions between North Korea, the United States, and much of the East Asian region continue to escalate without any clear path for resolution. Join Active Minds for a discussion of recent developments as well as a review of North Korean history. We will cover the dynastic leadership of the Kim family as well as the country's ongoing development of nuclear weapons. North Korea's place in the world relative to global issues such as international trade and human rights issues will also be addressed as well as what the future may hold as this situation continues to unfold.

Tuesday, April 10, 2018, 12:30-1:30 pm, Aspen Grove Store

Buddhism

Buddhism is the fourth largest religion in the world with some 500 million adherents. Join Active Minds for an examination of its origins, teachings, beliefs and practices. We will discuss the life and teachings of Siddhartha Gautama (Buddha) and discuss the various types of Buddhism, including Zen Buddhism, Tibetan Buddhism, and others.

Tuesday, April 24, 2018, 5:00-6:00 pm, Colfax Store

Argentina

Argentina can fairly be described as "up and coming" ...again. Once one of the wealthiest countries in the world, Argentina suffered economic disruption and political instability after the Great Depression that lasted into the early 21st century. Recently, however, the economy is growing and they are on a path toward international integration under the leadership of President Mauricio Macri. Join Active Minds as we review Argentina's history, culture, current status, and future prospects.

Tuesday, May 8, 2018, 12:30-1:30 pm, Colfax Store

Cowboys

Join Active Minds for the story of the American Cowboy. We will peel back the mythology and explain how the origins of the Cowboy lie south of the border in the Spanish colonies in the Americas. We'll trace the development of the American Cowboy and its influence upon this part of the country as well as tell a good 'ol Cowboy story or two.

Tuesday, May 22, 2018, 5:00-6:00 pm, Colfax Store

Iceland

After many years of strong economic growth, Iceland's banking system collapsed in 2008 resulting in a severe economic depression. Today the economy is growing again and Iceland has become a popular tourist destination. Join Active Minds as we review Iceland's history and explore some of the characteristics of the country that make it unique among the countries of the world.

Store Locations: (All events are free and open to the public.)

LoDo: 1628 16th Street at Wynkoop in downtown Denver, 80202

Colfax: 2526 East Colfax, two blocks east of York, Denver, 80206

Aspen Grove: 7301 S Santa Fe Dr, Littleton, CO 80120.



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