

# WELSH HERITAGE WEEK REGISTRATION FORM

JULY 23rd TO 30th, 2017 – Colorado School of Mines, Golden Colorado

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ cellphone \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

## EMERGENCY CONTACT:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Residents: Includes all accommodations, all meals.

You may select a double rate if you wish to room with another individual; if no roommate is indicated, one will be provided.

\_\_\_ Double \$650 US X \_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Single \$800 US X \_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Commuters \$100 only one class per day \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Commuters \$450 (all classes/meals/no room) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I prefer to room

with \_\_\_\_\_

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Note: See web site for WHW cancellation and refund policy. We HIGHLY recommend getting Trip insurance to cover any potential loss of fees.

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Join the Welsh Harp & Heritage Society

\_\_\_ New \_\_\_ renewal  
\_\_\_ \$20 individual \_\_\_ \$30 family

\_\_\_ \$50 sponsor \_\_\_ \$100 patron

TOTAL DUE:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ 1/2 of total due **IMMEDIATELY**

BALANCE DUE:

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **BALANCE NO LATER THAN JULY 1, 2017**

Please make check payable to **WELSH HERITAGE WEEK - Please fill all three pages of this form.**

**PLEASE SEND THIS COMPLETED FORM AND ALL PAYMENTS TO:** Judy Birkenhead, 6038 Westchester Park Dr., #301, College Park, MD 20740

1. Your knowledge of the Welsh language: (check the line and/or write explanation on the lines)

\_\_\_ Absolutely none \_\_\_ know some words \_\_\_ know lots of words \_\_\_ can make sentences \_\_\_ carry on conversation \_\_\_ fluent

2. \_\_\_ I have foreign language experience other than Welsh \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_ I am interested in renting a harp, if available, I understand there will be an additional **cost**

Would you like to make a donation to WHW? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Extra Tour will cost \$100: that price includes the tour and Saturday night at the school. we will be spending Friday night at the Best Western DAI. The cost for Friday night will be \$119 for a king or 2 double room. **YOU MUST MUST MUST MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS.** The phone number is [1-303-373-1600](tel:1-303-373-1600). Tell them you are with the Welsh group. We have rooms set aside for us. **YOU MUST MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS BEFORE JUNE 21ST.** If we have not filled the rooms we have set aside, they will be put back into public reservations. There is a shuttle from the airport to the Best Western. Then add the attachment I have included still under the extra Tour spot. We will make arrangements for someone to pick you up at the airport on Sunday and take you to the airport on Sunday, July 30. As usual, make your flight home as late as you can.

### **Welcome to Colorado!**

Our optional tour this year includes a morning spent in the outstanding Denver Botanical Gardens on York Street, with lunch on your own at one of the on-site cafes; an afternoon stroll through a selection of historical sites downtown, depending on weather and availability; and a visit to the final resting place of the legendary Buffalo Bill Cody atop Lookout Mountain just west of Golden, with its spectacular views of the Front Range and the City of Denver.

Even if you can't join us for the tour, scroll on down to the end for information about the annual Buffalo Bill Days Celebration that takes place in Golden on Friday 7/28 - Sunday 7/30; many events are accessible to WHW participants as the School of Mines is within walking distance of the festivities. And we will try to squeeze in a few short trips to other Denver attractions, such as the Red Rocks Amphitheater and Dinosaur Ridge. More details when you get here!

### **DENVER BOTANICAL GARDENS AT YORK STREET**

One of the top five botanic gardens in the nation, Denver Botanic Gardens is an oasis in the city, offering year-round events, Mordecai Children's Garden, lifelong learning opportunities and research to preserve Colorado's precious natural resources. **Denver Botanic Gardens** features North America's largest collection of plants from cold temperate climates around the world, as well as 7 diverse gardens that mostly include plants from Colorado and neighboring states.

The world's first Xeriscape Demonstration Garden was created at the Gardens in 1986; based on the "7 Principles" of [Xeriscape](#), it includes drought-tolerant plants from the arid West and [Mediterranean](#) areas. Don't miss the Japanese Garden Shofu-en—the Garden of Wind and Pines. It was designed by [Koichi Kawana](#) in collaboration with Kai Kwahara. Its popular attractions include an authentic tea house and bonsai pavilion.

Denver may be blanketed with snow, but the plants in the Boettcher Memorial Tropical Conservatory enjoy a warm climate year-round. The Conservatory houses plants from tropical regions from around the world. Over 750 unique taxa (types of plants) are grown in the 11,000 square foot conservatory that first opened in 1966, a massive multiple-story structure of high, interlaced concrete arches inset with faceted Plexiglas panels; in 1973, it was awarded Denver Landmark status. The conservatory also houses a palm and bromeliad collection.

***Don't miss this year's unique opportunity to experience Alexander Calder's sculptures among the ever-changing living galleries of Denver Botanic Gardens.***

American artist Alexander Calder (1898-1976) is considered one of the most influential sculptors of the 20th century and is known for his bold energetic sculptures. *Calder: Monumental* features these iconic works of bolted steel plate—which rise in sweeping curves, or puncture space with geometric lines—revealing the artist's exploration of forms, volumes, and voids. Using shapes that resonate with the natural world, Calder's large lively abstractions interact with the surrounding landscape.

**FUN FACT:** The Denver Botanic Gardens, along with nearby [Cheesman Park](#) and [Congress Park](#), sit atop what used to be Mount Prospect cemetery. Although the majority of bodies were removed in 1893, the interred continued to be removed as late as the 1950s. As recently as 2010, graves were uncovered during renovation of the park's irrigation and sprinkler systems.

## **HISTORIC DOWNTOWN DENVER AND LANDMARK BUILDINGS**

The first Historic District of Denver, Larimer Square, was a bustling city center, which eventually turned into skid row. Local citizens saved the block of buildings from demolition, and turned it into a thriving center again. It is now economically vibrant and preserved for future generations. As the Mile High City's oldest and most historic block, the buildings along Larimer Square are now home to an inspired mix of independent shops, chef-driven restaurants and lively bars & clubs. You'll find everything from one-of-a-kind fashion to vibrant nightlife—all with a signature canopy of lights above. We hope to have the opportunity to tour the historic Daniels & Fisher Tower where guests will have a birds-eye view over Denver. Built in 1911 as the focal point for the Daniels & Fisher Department Store, it endures as one of the most recognized icons of the city.

*If the weather looks bad*, we will opt instead to tour the Historic Molly Brown House Museum, which is among the most visited historic sites in the state of Colorado, dedicated to the interpretation of an amazing woman's story, the "Unsinkable" flamboyant gold-mine owner who didn't go down with the Titanic! Open for more than 43 years, the Museum serves nearly 50,000 people every year, including 10,000 youth, successfully achieving its mission to enhancing the city's unique identity by telling the story of Margaret "Molly" Brown's activism, philanthropy and passion through educational programs, exhibits and stewardship.

### **BUFFALO BILL'S GRAVE AND MUSEUM**

When it comes to historical characters, few embody the spirit of the American West more than Buffalo Bill. Born William Frederick Cody in Iowa in 1846, he rose to international fame as a showman. 2017 marks the 100th anniversary of his death [here in Colorado](#) with events and celebrations, but for now learn more about how he built his larger-than-life reputation and where you can experience his legacy.

Cody left home around age 11 to become a cattle herder, and then joined the Pony Express as a rider in 1860. His resume also includes stints with the Army as a private in the 7th Kansas Cavalry, and later as a scout. But his legend really began to grow as his buffalo-hunting skills became renowned, earning him the nickname Buffalo Bill. With the buzz about his exploits on the plains spreading — thanks to newspapers and dime novels, exaggerated as they may have been — Cody parlayed his status as a national folk hero into a show-business career.

Starting off as an actor in a stage production, Cody went on to create "Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show," a circus-like traveling outdoor spectacle. Real-life ropers and wranglers joined the troupe, helping to popularize the term "cowboy" and serving as a forerunner to modern-day rodeos. Performers like Annie Oakley and Sitting Bull also became household names as the show spanned 30 years in one form or another and made stops in more than 1,400 communities across North America and Europe.

So what's all this got to do with Colorado? Sadly, Cody died on Jan. 10, 1917 in Denver while visiting his sister. But because of the frozen ground, he wasn't buried until June 3, 1917 outside of [Golden](#), with thousands of people in attendance. These days, visitors can make the drive up to Lookout Mountain Park and the [Buffalo Bill Museum & Grave](#), overlooking the Great Plains and the Rockies with stunning views of the surrounding landscapes. Part of the Denver Parks system, an observation deck is open to the public free of charge, picnic areas abound and a 1-mile hike connects the museum to the [Lookout Mountain Nature Center](#).

Inside the museum, you'll find exhibits about Cody's life and the Wild West shows, along with firearms and Indian artifacts. See Sitting Bull's bow and arrows, Buffalo Bill's show outfits, Frederick Remington's "Portrait of a Ranch Hand. Check out the new offering titled "A Better Place Could Hardly Have Been Chosen," which opens Feb. 26, 2017 and will run through the end of the year, focusing on the details and controversy surrounding his burial.

The Pahaska Tepee was built as the original Museum in 1921 and remains today as the [Museum gift shop and café](#). This extensive and entertaining shopping experience has been a regional tourist destination for many decades., and offers full grill service featuring buffalo entrees, burgers, ice cream and plenty of homemade fudge.

**GOLDEN'S ANNUAL BUFFALO BILL DAYS CELEBRATION  
COMMEMORATES THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF THE  
LEGENDARY WESTERN HERO, WILLIAM F. CODY**

Want a way to really kick up your heels and harken back to the days of Buffalo Bill? The town of Golden has long celebrated William F. Cody with a summertime fete. In fact, the [Golden Buffalo Bill Days](#), held each July, originated with trail rides up to his gravesite that began in the 1940s. Over the years the event has evolved and expanded into a festival complete with a parade, mutton bustin', live music and even a showcase of "Cody's Wild West" in the spirit of his original production. The event draws many people from surrounding communities who enjoy bringing their families to a wholesome, small-town community event.

This year's activities include (Friday-Sunday) live music; (Saturday) the "100 Year in Golden" theme Parade and Cody's Wild West show; (Sunday) Muttin' Bustin' for kids, and a classic car show, a golf tournament, food and merchandise vendors and much more. Other venues around the state are also commemorating the 100th anniversary of his death with special events and exhibits, like the [Colorado Railroad Museum's "Buffalo Bill: Trains and the Wild West"](#) or the "Lights, Camera, Colorado! Buffalo Bill and the Big Screen" display at the [Lakewood Heritage Center](#), complete with movie posters and historic tours.

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