

Other Colorado based mining and/or CF&I related resources

Note: These are suggestions of other resources around Colorado to supplement your lessons in conjunction to lessons relating to the film, “Forging the West.” Every attempt has been made to provide accurate information. It is recommended that you check with the location regarding further information about other lessons available, hours, admission pricing and availability.

Steelworks Center of the West

www.steelworkscenter.org

215 Canal Street Pueblo, 81004

(719) 564-9086 ext. 108

Cost: \$3 per student

Tours: The Steelworks Museum offers a one-of-a-kind resource and educational experience for students and teachers. Guided school tours of the museum incorporate hands-on activities for students, as well as worksheets and associated primary resources for classroom use.

Programming is designed to be appropriate for student age groups. Archival research by appointment.

El Pueblo History Museum

<http://www.historycolorado.org/museums/el-pueblo-history-museum>

301 N. Union Ave. Pueblo, 81003

(719) 583-0453

Cost: students with ID: \$4

El Pueblo History Museum showcases the city's history and the region's many cultural and ethnic groups. The property includes a re-created 1840s adobe trading post and plaza, and the archeological excavation site of the original 1842 El Pueblo trading post.

Ludlow Monument

Ludlow, Colorado

If you go: Take I-25 south to exit 27, about 125 miles from Colorado Springs. Follow 44.0 Road west about a half mile to the Ludlow Monument. The United Mine Workers of America have erected story boards with the history and photos of the tent city and massacre aftermath.

Cost: Free

Note:

- Aside from the monument, it is best to stay on the roads. Don't wander around the mines because ground cave-ins are possible.
- Next to the monument are a cellar door and stairs that lead down into the "death pit" where 11 children and two women died when fire broke out in the tent city during a battle with Colorado militia. Mike Livoda, a union organizer, is buried at the monument. There are restroom facilities here, and some picnic tables. Outside the gate there is a box that contains guest books to sign.
- Directly southwest of the monument at the intersection of 44.0 Road and 61.5 Road is the location where Louis Tikas, a Greek mining leader, approached the soldiers to call a truce to protect the women and children. He was clubbed over the head by militia leader Lt. Karl Linderfelt, and then he and James Fyler, a union paymaster, were shot in the back. The militia said they were escaping. Their bodies lay by the train tracks for three days.
- Take 44.0 Road across the railroad tracks westward about a mile or two to the coke ovens. The two dozen ovens were used to make coal briquettes to be used at the Colorado Fuel and Iron steel company in Pueblo.
- Across the road from the coke ovens is a monument to another mining tragedy, the Hastings Mine explosion that killed 121 miners.
- Retrace your route back toward the monument. At the railroad tracks, turn south and follow 61.5 Road, which goes past some stone building ruins that included the old Ludlow Depot. This area is fenced with barbed wire and has "no trespassing" signs. Near the buildings is the knoll where the militia had a machine gun post and fired on the miners' tent camp.
- A few blocks past those buildings, turn right (west) on 40.2 Road, which meanders through a canyon where you can see coal slag, more building ruins, and stone foundations.

Colorado Springs Pioneer Museum

<http://www.cspm.org/learn/teacher-information/>

215 S. Tejon St. Colorado Springs, 80903

719-385-5631

Cost: Free

The municipal museum of Colorado Springs portrays the history and culture of the Pikes Peak Region in exhibits emphasizing the unique character of this uncommon Front Range community. Guided by a mission to collect, preserve, research, and interpret the history and culture of the Pikes Peak Region, the Museum features permanent exhibits on the history of the area and changing exhibits on topics of broad interest. Whether you are teaching regional history, looking for ways to use primary sources in the classroom, or have other ideas for connecting the exhibits

in the Museum to your curriculum, we are dedicated to being a scholarly and unique resource for you!

Western Museum of Mining and Industry

<http://www.wmmi.org/teachers>

225 North Gate. Blvd. Colorado Springs, 80921

(719) 488-0880 or 1-800-752-6558

COST: Elementary-aged students \$4; non-teacher chaperons, such as parents, \$4; teachers and aides are free

There is an additional charge of \$1 per student if you select one of the in-reach programs.

Other information: Tours are offered at 10:00am or 1:00pm

The standard tour consists of three components. The tour includes various mining exhibits where students learn about mining techniques such as gold panning, the process of hard rock mining, and discover the history of mining and the western United States. The next portion of the tour involves the Industrial Revolution. Museum interpreters discuss the history and impact of the First and Second Industrial Revolution, steam engines, and operate machines such as the 35-ton Corliss Steam Engine. A movie concludes the tour, as students will learn about western and mining history and the impact of mining on our daily lives.

Walsenburg Mining Museum

112 W. 5th St. Walsenburg,

719-738-1992 or 2840

Walsenburg was called the “city built on coal,” and indeed, a map in the museum shows the town underlaced with tunnels. The museum is dedicated to the miners and families who lived in over 100 area mining camps and who spoke some 40 languages representing dozens of foreign lands. This museum housed in the old county jail also has memorabilia from the original Huerfano County jail. Open May-end September and by appointment.

Alton Tirey History Resource Center

<http://www.huerfanohistory.org/tirey-history-center.html>

201 E. 5th Street Walsenburg, CO

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Royal Gorge Regional Museum and History Center

612 Royal Gorge Blvd.

P.O. Box #1460

Cañon City, CO 81215

(719) 269-9036

<http://rgmhc.org/index.php>

Otero Museum
3rd & Anderson
La Junta, CO
719-384-7500
coloradoplains.com/otero/museum

The museum features a transportation collection with an 1867 Old Overland Stage, a 1903 Montgomery Ward surrey, and other early vehicles including railcars and railroad implements. The historic building collection includes the Sciumbato House/Grocery Store, on the National Historic Register, which is completely stocked and furnished.

Cokedale Mining Museum
Cokedale, CO
719-846-7428 or 719-846-8763
cokedalemuseum@gmail.com

Cokedale, known in 1907 as a model mining camp, remains much as it was then. The town was placed on the National Historic Register in 1984 as the most significant example of an intact coal camp in Colorado. The town, still inhabited, is seven miles west of Trinidad on the Scenic Highway of Legends (Hwy 12).

Trinidad History Museum
312 E. Main
719-846-7217
historycolorado.org/museums/trinidad-history-museum

The museum's three landmark buildings and heritage gardens occupy a block in Trinidad's historic district. Colorful furnishings in the adobe home of early citizens Dolores and Felipe Baca evoke the family's lifestyle. The Bloom Mansion, home of banker and cattle baron Frank Bloom, is surrounded by century-old trees and beautiful gardens. Enjoy behind-the-scenes tours while History Colorado restores the home to its original glory. The Santa Fe Trail Museum houses family heirlooms, commercial goods, and photographs that tell the stories of the people and events of Trinidad's past. This is where you will find a fringed buckskin coat given by Kit Carson to a Trinidad mayor.

The museum offers a variety of programs for children, adults, and families throughout the year. The Bloom Mansion, above, may be rented for group events. The museum store carries books on local and state history, the Santa Fe Trail, Hispanic culture, gardening, ranching, mining and railroading, as well as cookbooks, children's books, and southwestern gifts. The museum is a property of History Colorado.

Southern Colorado Coal Miners Museum
219 W. Main Street Trinidad, CO (719) 846-8234

National Mining Hall of Fame

<http://www.mininghalloffame.org/>

120 W. 9th St. Leadville, CO

School Group (K-12 outside of Lake County): \$3

Lake County School Group (K-12 and CMC): Free

Argo Gold Mill and Mine

<http://www.argomilltour.com/>

2350 Riverside Dr, Idaho Springs, CO 80452

(303) 567-2421

Colorado School of Mines Geology Museum

1301 Maple St, Golden, CO 80401

Underground Mining Museum

503 W Willow Creek Rd, Creede, CO 81130

(719) 658-0811

Mollie Kathleen Mine

Victor, Colorado

History Colorado History Center

www.historycoloradocenter.org

1200 Broadway, Denver

303-866-2394 or reservations@state.co.us

Cost: \$5 per student; 1 free chaperone for every 10 students; \$8 for each additional adult (Title I students are half price.)

Other: Time for tours: 9:30 am, 11:30 am, 1:30 pm. Please make field trip reservations at least 4 weeks in advance.

Village of Redstone Colorado

<http://www.redstonecolorado.com/>