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**Meet in the Street Invites the Denver Community to Experience
16th Street Mall in New Ways
*Trot and Dance Down the 16th Street Mall July 19 During Meet in the Street***

WHAT: [Meet in the Street](#), funded by the Downtown Denver Business Improvement District, connects the 16th Street Mall as a shared public space activated through live music, kids' activities, expanded patio seating and arts and culture. [Downtown Denver Partnership](#) (DDP) and the City of Denver have partnered with Gehl Architects, a global leader in people-centered design, for [The Mall Experience: The Future of Denver's 16th Street Mall study](#). Meet in the Street allows DDP and the City to offer new experiences and activities to the visitors of the Mall to learn how the public reacts to these changes in activation, connectivity and transit.

WHEN: Sunday, July 19; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Additional Sundays: August 2, and August 9)

WHERE: On the 16th Street Mall between Tremont and Lawrence Streets. *Please note: The 16th Street Free MallRide service will be detoured onto 15th and 17th Streets via the Free MetroRide busses all day to make room for the activities, allowing the public to experience the mall free of bus traffic.* Attendees are encouraged to take advantage of the bike- and pedestrian-friendly access in what are typically lanes restricted for buses.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES:

- “Have You Herd”? In collaboration with several local, nonprofit and community-based organizations, the day will be filled with dance, equine performances, live music, kids’ activities and games.
- From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., visit the block between Welton and California to enjoy local dance performances by local performing artists, including an aerial artist. Stay until 1 p.m. where horses will join the fun. At 4:15 p.m., watch a horse and dance procession from Tremont to the historic Clocktower where visitors can join the celebration.
- The Urban Farm, co-founded by Donna Garnett, which provides agricultural and environmental education for nearly 2500 children and youth each year, will be sharing its locally raised and loved horses with Mall visitors.
- Henry Graham, artistic director and choreographer for Denver-based performance/education company, Images, will merge arts, dance, horses and community-engaged activism.
- Heidi Peterson, founder/director of OomphSpirit, a Denver-based nonprofit, will partner youth and adult dancers with horses creating an inner-city street performance.

Participating Mall Businesses:

- Visit Glenarm to Welton where Marlowe's, Paramount and Appaloosa are offering expanded patio seating all day. Enjoy \$5 burgers/brats and \$3 pints at Paramount, and live music all day at Appaloosa, featuring Selasse at 6 p.m.
- Between Curtis and Champa, Rialto Café will provide expanded patio seating all day. In partnership with Denver Botanic Gardens, Rialto presents "Gather," a pop-up dining experience featuring a multi-course menu of innovative and diverse cuisine, from 5:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. Gather is a ticketed event sponsored by Denver Botanic Gardens, Rialto Café, Humboldt, Stout Street Social and Ignite Burger Bar. Tickets must be purchased in advance and are available until July 17 at \$85 per person (includes beer/wine).
- Between Arapahoe and Lawrence, Willie G's and Tilted Kilt are offering expanded patio seating throughout the day. Tilted Kilt is hosting a beer garden with a live DJ at 3 p.m.

Live Music: Visit the area near Arapahoe Street for music by Andy Babb & The Big Beautiful Band (from 1:30 p.m.-3 p.m.) and Mbanza (from 4 p.m.-6 p.m.). On the Garden Block between Champa and Curtis, listen to music by Mike Wird (1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.) and Moses Walker & Rick Franz (3:30 p.m.-5 p.m.).

Kids Areas: The entire Mall will feature family-friendly activities, but visit the block between California and Stout for a fun day of arts and crafts.

Please note programming will change throughout the five Sundays of Meet in the Street, with new surprises each Sunday.

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