

# MAY

2026

## LITTLETON MUSEUM LIVING HISTORY FARMS

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In Colorado May is typically the last month of the hard freezes and the beginning of the growing season; so, on a farm, that means outdoor activity accelerates! In May (after the 15<sup>th</sup>) we begin our planting and tending in the garden. May is a hopeful month, as the trees and wildflowers bloom, and baby animals are born, there is anticipation in the air for a good growing season and a large, healthy crop.

*"We weren't well fixed financially, and we had to help Mother take ahold and do the garden work, and take care of the animals, and shovel out the ditches and all that sort of thing. It just all had to be done, and we all learned to work."*

- Ila B. Powell, "Homesteading Women: An Oral History of Colorado, 1890-1950" p.79.

Spend this month exploring day-to-day life in 19<sup>th</sup> century Littleton, on two living history farms. We are a working farm, and our daily Life on the Farm programs demonstrate how early citizens of Littleton may have worked and played during the same time of year. Our Historic Interpreters demonstrate cooking, clothing, trades, games, agriculture, and much more.

In addition to Life on the Farm, we also offer special weekend programs!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Life on the Farm 10am – 2pm Chores – 2pm	2 10am – 3pm: <b>SHEEP TO SHAWL</b>
3 11am – 2pm: <b>No Program Today</b>	4 CLOSED	5 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm Chores – 3pm	6 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm Chores – 3pm	7 Life on the Farm 10am – 2pm Chores – 2pm	8 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm Chores – 3pm	9 10am – 1pm: <b>Spring Cleaning</b>
10 11am – 2pm: <b>Flossing a Corset</b>	11 CLOSED	12 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm Chores – 3pm	13 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm Chores – 3pm	14 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm Chores – 3pm	15 Life on the Farm 10am – 2pm Chores – 2pm	16 10am – 1pm: <b>Butter Churning</b>
17 11am – 2pm: <b>Orchard Care</b>	18 CLOSED	19 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm Chores – 3pm	20 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm Chores – 3pm	21 Life on the Farm 10am – 2pm Chores – 2pm	22 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm Chores – 3pm	23 10am – 1pm: <b>Pie Plant</b>
24 11am – 2pm: <b>Planting the Garden</b>	25 <b>MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVED</b>	26 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm Chores – 3pm	27 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm Chores – 3pm	28 Life on the Farm 10am – 3pm Chores – 3pm	29 Life on the Farm 10am – 2pm Chores – 2pm	30 10am – 1pm: <b>Sewing</b>
31 11am – 2pm: <b>Planting the Garden</b>						



## MAY STAFF WEEKEND PROGRAMS

- SHEEP TO SHAWL**  
 Join us on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> for Sheep to Shawl at the Littleton Museum. See wool transformed from freshly shorn fleece into the woolen items we know and love. No fee for admission. (Saturday, 05/02)
- No Program Today**  
 Staff will still be on the Farms cleaning up from our Sheep to Shawl event. (Sunday, 05/03)
- Spring Cleaning**  
 It's time to shake off the winter's bad air. We'll clean the 1860s Cabin from top to bottom and make it shine. (Saturday, 05/09)
- Flossing a Corset**  
 Learn how women made their corsets prettier, stronger, and last longer in this clothing program in the 1860s Cabin. (Sunday, 05/10)
- Butter Churning**  
 Come to the 1860s Cabin to learn how cream was turned into butter and stored before there were grocery stores in Littleton. (Saturday, 05/16)
- Orchard Care**  
 Come meet the trees that will produce our fruit this summer and learn how we take care of them on the 1860s Farm. (Sunday, 05/17)
- Pie Plant Cooking Demonstration**  
 Learn about the Victorians favorite spring vegetable treat in the 1860s Cabin. (Saturday, 05/23)
- Planting the Garden**  
 See what we are growing this year and learn about heirloom vegetables on the 1890s Farm. (Sunday, 05/24)
- Sewing**  
 Making and mending clothing and household items - sewing was a necessary and time-consuming task for Victorian women. See the process in the 1860s Cabin. (Saturday, 05/30)
- Planting the Garden**  
 See what we are growing this year and learn about heirloom vegetables on the 1890s Farm. (Sunday, 05/31)