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### Community Conversation about Race and Ethnicity

Colorado Humanities and Arapahoe Libraries will host an online community conversation about race, ethnicity, and the power of listening **April 7 from 6-7:30 p.m. MT**. Participants will be invited to share their perspectives in guided, small-group discussions facilitated by Dr. Elizabeth Parks, author of *The Ethics of Listening: Creating Space for Sustainable Dialogue*. Parks is a dialogue and diversity specialist for the Center for Public Deliberation and assistant professor of communication studies at Colorado State University.

All Coloradans are welcome to register for this **free** event at [https://bit.ly/Community\\_Conversation](https://bit.ly/Community_Conversation)

This event is part of “Changing the Legacy of Race & Ethnicity,” an ongoing series presented by Colorado Humanities and partners with the goal to encourage understanding and drive a broad discussion about the legacy of race in America and how to make changes now for a more just future. To learn more about the next event focused on Latinx equity, visit <https://coloradohumanities.org/programs/changing-the-legacy-of-race-ethnicity/>

This series is free thanks to our growing list of community partners and sponsors.

Community partners include NAACP Aurora Colorado, History Colorado, Colorado Anti-Defamation League, Aurora Public Library, Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art, Colorado Black Chamber of Commerce, Colorado Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Pine River Library, Colorado Council of Churches, and Mexican Cultural Center Denver. In addition to Arapahoe Libraries, sponsors are Tate Law, and GroundFloor Media | CenterTable. Media sponsors are Rocky Mountain Public Media and The Durango Herald.

Colorado Humanities is the only Colorado organization exclusively dedicated to supporting humanities education for adults and children statewide. Celebrating its 47th year and its 17th year as host for the Colorado Center for the Book, Colorado Humanities is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit working in partnership with the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Library of Congress Center for the Book, the Smithsonian Institution, and the national award-winning educational nonprofit Motherhead, Inc. Colorado Humanities works with 100 program partners throughout the state to design and implement programs that best meet each community’s needs. Colorado Humanities' goals are to improve education, strengthen cultural institutions, and enrich community life by inspiring the people of Colorado to explore ideas and appreciate our diverse heritage.

Arapahoe Libraries serves 250,000 patrons and includes eight community libraries, a jail library, and a Library on Wheels in Arapahoe County, Colorado. The vision of Arapahoe Libraries is to create a literate, informed, and fulfilled community and one of its objectives is to build community connections by

connecting people as resources for each other, virtually, and in person. For more information, visit [arapahoelibraries.org](http://arapahoelibraries.org).

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