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Museum Reports Smithsonian “Crossroads” Exhibition Resounding Success

The San Luis Valley Museum in cooperation with Colorado Humanities, continues its exploration of the evolving landscape of rural America as it hosts the local showing of “Crossroads: Change in Rural America,” a Smithsonian traveling exhibition. “Crossroads” will be on view through November 25, 2023.

San Luis Valley Museum and the surrounding community was expressly chosen by the Colorado Humanities to host “Crossroads” as part of the Museum on Main Street project—a national/state/local partnership to bring exhibitions and programs to rural cultural organizations. After it leaves Alamosa in November, the exhibition will travel to 8 more communities in Colorado before it returns to the Smithsonian; an itinerary is available at <https://coloradohumanities.org/programs/museum-on-main-street/>.

“Crossroads” takes a broad look at the characteristics of rural America. It explores how an attraction to and interaction with the land formed the basis of our rural culture, and how rural communities and small towns evolve and change. It also highlights how change transformed rural America, especially during the 1900s, and how rural Americans are evolving for the future.

“We are very pleased with the community’s reaction thus far to ‘Crossroads,’” said Jeff Myers, San Luis Valley Museum Director. “Over 40 people attended our opening event and our visitor count so far has been wonderful. People are coming from as far away as New Mexico to see the exhibition and visit our community. It’s great exposure for the museum and the town. And our public programs have been fascinating and well-received.”

Upcoming program events include guest author Pete Anderson on Friday November 17, 2023 at 7 p.m. at the museum. For a complete listing of related programs, call 719-587-0667.

“Crossroads” is part of Museum on Main Street, a unique collaboration between the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES), state humanities councils across the nation, and local host institutions. To learn more visit www.museumonmainstreet.org, www.sites.si.edu, or <https://coloradohumanities.org>.

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Hours/Admission:
Tuesday - Saturday - 10am - 4pm

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