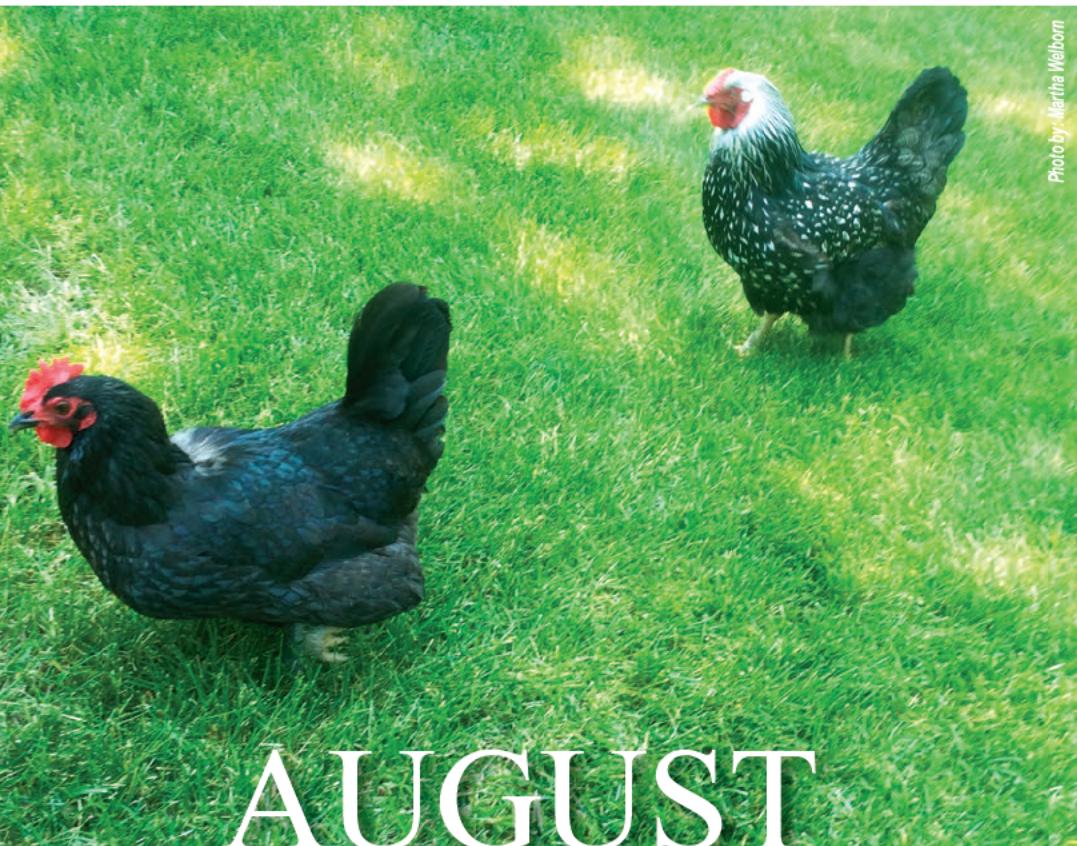


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### Right-of-Way

It is the absence of sidewalks that gives our neighborhoods and streets their "Cherry Hills" character and charm, but at the same time it is the lack of sidewalks that often causes conflicts between street maintenance needs and private improvements. The City's right-of-way permitting requirements are in place to minimize these conflicts before they happen. As landscaping matures and grows, these conflicts become even greater and, in many cases, can make the roads unsafe by narrowing lanes and limiting visibility not only for vehicles, but for pedestrians as well. The City's goal is to balance the safety of the traveling public with the desire of individual property owners to improve and beautify the right-of-way that abuts their property.

Property lines that abut streets are often confusing and hard to understand. Even more so in the Village where there are no sidewalks, and a large number of the streets do not have curb and gutter to define where property owners are responsible for maintenance and upkeep. In neighborhoods that do have curb and gutter, it is clear that each property

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is required to maintain their yards, but this does not define the actual property line. In most cases the City's right-of-way extends 5 to 10 feet past the actual road surface depending on the width of the road, where within the right-of-way the actual road is located, shoulder width, or a myriad of other factors. **(See Figure 1 above).**

For homes on streets with curb and gutter, the responsibility for maintenance is relatively clear. Homeowners are required to maintain the area right up to the back of the curb. The City however may require a permit for certain landscaping that limits the use of this area for snow storage, utility easements or other public uses. If you live on this type of street and are wanting to add landscaping that is more than sod and sprinklers, you should contact the Public Works Department at 303-783-2744 to determine if a permit will be required. Staff can talk to you about the requirements and in many cases can meet you at your residence to go over your plans. Trees, bushes, and other landscape elements limit the City's ability to store snow, and these improvements may be damaged when snow is pushed into these areas.

For homes on streets with no curb and gutter, property owners are required to maintain to the shoulder of the road. No landscaping except sod may be placed within any open ditch or drainage swale or within 10 feet of the edge of the driven road. These ditches are first and foremost stormwater conveyance systems to move water from the streets and properties safely away from homes. From time to time it is

necessary for the City to clean out these ditches to restore capacity and flow of stormwater. When the City performs these operations, any improvements within the ditch or right-of-way that are removed or damaged will not be replaced by the City. This issue has caused much ill will in the past, but that is not the intent. What property owners must know is that the stormwater drainage system is for the welfare of the larger community and that landscaping is a secondary use. In areas where no ditch or swale exist, no landscaping is allowed that will prevent anyone from parking legally on a public street. This includes landscape boulders, trees, or any other improvement that narrows the roadway and eliminates legal parking. Again, if you are wanting to make improvements, contact the Public Works Department and we can discuss your plans with you.

All homeowners, no matter if there is curb and gutter or unimproved shoulder on their streets, are responsible for all trees within the right-of-way that abut their property. This means that if the tree dies or is damaged during a storm, it is the homeowner's responsibility to remove the tree and any branches that fall, even if they fall into the street. In the case of trees being damaged by late or early snowstorms, City crews will move all branches and tree limbs off the road while plowing. If an entire tree falls across a street and is not touching power lines City crews will cut the trunk into pieces that are small enough to move to the side of the road with a plow truck

and restore traffic flow. Homeowners have 14 days to remove and properly dispose of this material.

Please remember that although you are required to maintain the right-of-way in front of your home the City also has the right to utilize that area for snow storage, parking, or other public needs. For this reason, the landscaping placed in this area needs to be limited as damage caused by the City or utilities will not be repaired or replaced in most cases.

The exception is that the City does maintain the unimproved areas of Quincy, Colorado, Holly, Clarkson, and the state highways that run through and around the Village. Any areas on these streets that have been improved by homeowners or HOA's are not maintained by the City. Once an area is improved, the City relinquishes maintenance to that area. The above rules still apply to these areas of right-of-way and a permit or license agreement may be required prior to allowing any improvements to take place. For more information visit the City's website ([cherryhillsvillage.com](http://cherryhillsvillage.com)). Chapter 7 of the City Code outlines property owners' responsibilities (see Article IV – Trees), and Chapter 11 of the City Code and the Construction and Excavation requirements have been updated recently by City Council to help avoid conflicts with landscaping in the right-of-way. The City appreciates your cooperation as we continue to maintain the City's infrastructure for a safe and enjoyable experience for all.

## PARKS and TRAILS

The Parks Division has been fielding many questions recently about rules for parks and trails. Installation of additional signs are planned for this fall to help educate trail users and keep everyone safe.

▲ **SPEED LIMIT:** The speed limit on all trails is 15 miles per hour.

▲ **VEHICLES:**

- Motorized vehicles are generally prohibited on the trails. This includes e-bikes, electric scooters, and similar devices.
- The Municipal Code does include a provision for people with disabilities; motorized items being used as a mobility device are permitted on trails.

▲ **LEASHES:** Dogs must be leashed in all parks and trails in the Village.

Thank you for being courteous to your neighbors out on the trails! Do you have a parks question? Email Parks and Recreation Coordinator Emily Black at [ebblack@cherryhillsvillage.com](mailto:ebblack@cherryhillsvillage.com).



## Coffee with a Cop

Join members of the  
Cherry Hills Village Police Department  
for coffee and conversation

Wednesday August 24, 2022

9 A.M. – 10 A.M.

Cherry Hills Village Police Dept.  
2460 E. Quincy Ave.

## Women of Steele 2022 Neighborhood Open Studios Final Event

September 10th & 11th  
10am to 5pm  
[www.womenofsteele.com](http://www.womenofsteele.com)

Park n' hop a ride in the Carts  
3011 East Willamette Ln.  
Greenwood Village

# Who's in Your Garden?

By Martha Kirk, Colorado Master Gardener

**With summer in full swing, we are seeing all sorts of things in the garden.**

## *Powdery Mildew*

I almost didn't recognize this plant from a distance the other day. It looked more like the color of an artemisia than a peony. Indeed, it was a peony, and it was covered with powdery mildew, a white powdery growth on its leaves. Powdery mildew is a fungal disease that is common on lilac, roses, and peonies, among others, and it is specific to the host plant. It likes warm dry climates, just like Colorado, but also requires high relative humidity. The best way to manage it is to have good air circulation around the plant and avoid overhead watering. Of course, choosing resistant varieties can help, and fungicides can also be effective.



*Photo: powdery mildew on peony  
Photo by Martha Kirk*

## *Annual and Biennial Weeds*

Weeds have been quite prolific lately, notably prickly lettuce, purslane and spurge. Thankfully, they are easy to pull or dig out, especially when the soil is moist. It is best to remove weeds before they flower and set seed, otherwise you would be adding more seeds to the seed bank. Take purslane for example. A single purslane plant can produce up to 52,300 seeds, and the seeds can remain viable in the soil for 40 years. If a stem or root fragment is left in the garden, it can re-root and grow. But do not be discouraged. Once an area is weeded, apply a layer of mulch to help keep weed seeds from germinating. You can also do solarization if you have a convenient open area.



*Photo: prickly lettuce  
Courtesy of wikipedia*



*Photo: purslane  
Courtesy of canr.msu.edu*



*Photo: spotted spurge  
Courtesy of umass.edu*

## *Aphids*

Yes, there has been an explosion of aphids in the garden. But before you reach for the bottle of insecticidal soap, check for beneficial insects. These predatory insects, such as lady beetles and green lacewings, are voracious feeders of aphids and do the work for you. They are a gardener's best friend. Female aphids give birth to live pregnant female aphids that mature in 10-14 days.

If you prefer, you can hose down the plant with a strong blast of water. This can lethally injure aphids and knock them off the plant.



*Photo: aphids and lady beetle, blogs.  
Courtesy of comell.edu*



## Cherry Hills Village Police Foundation Car Show

The Cherry Hills Village Police Foundation has taken over the Car Show this year! All registration proceeds benefit the Police Foundation. There is no fee for spectators.

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11th  
10 am – 1 pm**

**City Hall parking lot  
(2450 E. Quincy Ave.)**

More information:  
[chvpolicefoundation.org](http://chvpolicefoundation.org):  
303-324-0965; [markgriffin@msn.com](mailto:markgriffin@msn.com)

# MAYOR'S REPORT

*This month a report on steps the Village has taken to comply with Senate Bill 20-217's mandate for police officer body-worn cameras; the effect of Senate Bill 22-232 on the construction of affordable residential rental properties; and Ordinance 10-2022's effect on hours and noise limits for home construction and commercial landscaping activities.*

## **Senate Bill 20-217 and Police Body Cameras.**

In 2020 the Colorado General Assembly passed Senate Bill 20-217 which, among other things, requires all local law enforcement agencies to provide body-worn cameras to police officers by July 1, 2023. Following a comprehensive analysis of options and a competitive bid process, our Police Department recommended, and City Council approved, the purchase of 24 personal body cameras and 10 compatible video cameras for patrol vehicles. Council also approved the purchase of new cameras to replace the old system in the Joint Public Safety Facility.

The body cameras will be worn inside officers' shirts, be operated by an android cell phone with GPS capabilities, have automatic sensors that click on automatically in stressful encounters, and immediately upload data to the cloud without the need for a docking process. All of the data obtained will be owned and controlled by the Police Department.

Over five years new systems will amount to a mostly unfunded state mandate of \$183,000. The Police Department applied for grant funding from the State of Colorado and received an award of \$73,200, covering the entire cost of cameras for 2022. By July 2023 the Village will fully comply with the body-camera mandate imposed by Senate Bill 20-217.

## **Senate Bill 22-232 and Workforce Housing.**

I serve on the Executive Board of the Metro Mayors Caucus



(MMC) which held its annual retreat on June 1, 2022. A top concern of elected mayors expressed at the retreat is assuring adequate and affordable workforce housing.

Senate Bill 22-232, conceived and promoted by

Mark Falcone of Continuum Partners and supported by the MMC, was passed this last session of the General Assembly. The legislation creates a middle-income housing authority to acquire, construct, rehabilitate, own, operate and finance rental housing projects for middle-income workforce housing. The idea is to use low-cost bond market financing to reduce capital costs for construction of rental properties for workers earning 80%-120% of the average median income – such as teachers, firemen, and healthcare workers. The authority will be governed by a board of directors appointed by the governor which have the power to:

- Issue bonds in connection with affordable rental housing projects payable solely from revenues of the project
- Enter into public-private partnerships and to contract with professionals to develop and operate affordable rental housing projects
- Employ private entities to conduct the business activities
- Provide assistance to tenants in rental housing to transition to home ownership

And while increasing the stock of rental properties is necessary, it is not sufficient to solve the problem. More is needed to promote affordable home ownership. If home prices increase at the same pace as they have over the last five years, by 2032 the *median* single-family home in Colorado will cost more than \$1.6 million. Slowing the rate of increase in housing costs will likely require many changes to encourage private builders to re-enter the market for new condominium

construction, and to encourage the conversion of existing apartments to condominium ownership.

## **Ordinance 10-2022 and Construction Times and Noise Limits.**

The Village Municipal Code permits construction activity Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Outside construction activity is prohibited on Sundays and federal holidays, but interior construction activity is permitted within a fully enclosed structure from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. On June 17, 2021 President Biden signed a bill recognizing Juneteenth (June 19th) as a federal holiday. This prompted staff and Council to revisit Municipal Code section 18-11-60(1) which prohibits outside construction activity on Sundays and New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. Council approved an amendment replacing this list with a simple reference to Federal Holidays observed by the United States Office of Personnel Management.

The maximum noise level allowed in most residential zone districts is generally 55 dB(A) from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and 50 dB(A) all other times. At construction sites noise may not exceed 90 decibels dB(A) at the property line and amplified music is prohibited. Commercial landscapers performing routine lawn mowing and leaf blowing activities are exempt from the 55 dB(A) limit, *provided that* their activities do not exceed 90 decibels dB(A) and *provided that* they observe the days and hours rules that apply to construction activity.

**MAYOR MONDAYS.** I hold regular drop-in office hours on Mondays from 9 to 11 a.m. at City Hall. I'm also available by appointment other days and times. [rstewart@cherryhillsvillage.com](mailto:rstewart@cherryhillsvillage.com) or 303-607-3688.

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# Crier Classifieds

The Village Crier advertisements will be provided for a fee to both Village residents and advertisers outside the Village. Ads should be limited to 45 words and may be purchased for the entire year. **Publication of the ad in The Village Crier does not imply endorsement.** The Village Crier reserves the right to reject ads. To inquire about placing an ad call 303-783-2732 or email [lgillespie@cherryhillsvillage.com](mailto:lgillespie@cherryhillsvillage.com).

## Categories

- Attorney
- Contract Work/Handyman
- Education
- Events
- Gardening/Landscaping
- Health and Wellness
- Music/Instrument/  
Education/Repair
- Painting
- Pet Services/Accessories
- Professional Services
- Real Estate
- Tech Help/Services
- Wildlife Service/Removal

## ADVERTISE in the next Crier Classifieds

Email your information to  
Laura Gillespie at  
[lgillespie@cherryhillsvillage.com](mailto:lgillespie@cherryhillsvillage.com)

**Deadline: August 15**

## Contract Work/Handyman

**A+ RATED BBB ROOFER** - High Impact Roofing & Exteriors, 720-515-4672 or [info@highimpactco.com](mailto:info@highimpactco.com). Free estimates on asphalt, shake or more. [highimpactco.com](http://highimpactco.com)

**BLUE SKY PLUMBING, HEATING, COOLING & ELECTRICAL** - 4th generation, family-owned and operated, licensed/insured, A+ BBB rating, 4.8 Google Rating. AC Repair/Service, water heaters, plumbing repairs, \$99 mainline drain cleaning, whole-home air purification systems, electrical repair/installation. Mention this ad, we will waive your dispatch fee 720-253-1716 <https://blueskyplumbing.com/>

**CLEARVIEW WINDOW WASHING** is an insured, owner-operated company that has been in business since 1996. References available. Call or email today for a free estimate. Pat Gerlits 303-692-0620 or [pgerlits@comcast.net](mailto:pgerlits@comcast.net)

**HOUSE CLEANING SERVICES** with over 20 years of experience! Great references in your area and surroundings! Family owned and operated. Free estimates, weekly, biweekly, or monthly rates. One time, move in/out cleaning. Don't hesitate! Call Eunice 720-998-8836 or Ramona 720-329-0850. We'd Love to Help!

**SILVER SERVICE WINDOWS** - Residential window washer in business for twenty-three years. Owner operated, insured and references available. Free in person estimate. I return calls in 10 minutes or less. Rick Otto at 303-613-0727. Specializing in ranch homes and houses with walkout basements.

**WINDOW CLEANING** by Patrick's Window Shine. Come have Patrick and Ted clean your windows today! We also clean screens, rain gutters, chandeliers, skylights, outdoor lighting, solar panels and more. Call, text or email for your free estimate. 303-710-9585 or [patrickswindowshine@gmail.com](mailto:patrickswindowshine@gmail.com)

## Education

**FIRST PLYMOUTH LEARNING CENTER** - Registration for the 2022-2023 school year begins January 19, 2022. We accept children 15 months-5 years old. We have added many new options. We are located on the corner of Hampden and Colorado. Call 303-762-9355 for information or visit [fplc.org](http://fplc.org)

**MATH TUTORING GRADES 7-12.** For 30+ years and a decade online, my private math students earned the highest grades at school and top SAT & ACT scores. Please visit [perdocere.com](http://perdocere.com) to learn more and read hundreds of testimonials with prominent named validations. Dr. George, Harvard Ph.D., MIT B.S. 833-MATH-833.

## Gardening/Landscaping

**ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL, LOW COST PERENNIAL FLOWER GARDENS.** Our natural landscaping combines wildflowers with other beautiful xeriscape plants that grow all over Colorado. So many beautiful flowers are a magnet for hummingbirds, butterflies and people. Jerry's Wildflowers 720-275-5599 or [jerryswildflowers.com](http://jerryswildflowers.com)

**FAIRBAIRN TREE & LANDSCAPE SPECIALISTS** - Designing, building & maintaining landscapes in CHV since 1993. Call for a free consultation 303-722-5043.

**MAPLE LEAF LANDSCAPING, INC.** - Garden design and maintenance; irrigation installation and repair; hardscape and welding. Please call 720-290-8292. Serving the Village since 1999. ALCC & BBB MEMBER.

## Health and Wellness

**CLUB GREENWOOD** - Save up to \$500 per year when you join. Greenwood is one of the entities eligible to participate in the Cherry Hills Village Recreation Reimbursement Program. Call the Membership Department for more information 720-838-2527.

## Music/Instrument/ Education/Repair

**PIANO TUNING AND REPAIR.** CHV resident with many years of piano tuning experience. Tuning performed with the ears of a musician. Repairs performed with the hands of a surgeon. Registered Piano Technician - Piano Technicians Guild. Call Art Heller 303-947-8834.

## Pet Services/Accessories

**ANIMALS LIKE ME** - Energetic dogs at home? Do your pets need exercise? I can help! Pet walking, pet sitting or housesitting. Insured, bonded and first aid certified. CHV references available. Call Lana 303-898-0479 or [lksppear@comcast.net](mailto:lksppear@comcast.net)

**DOG GROOMING - MOBILE - I COME TO YOU - THE POOCH**  
**MOBILE DOG WASH** - All breeds, large or small, welcomed and loved. Pooch Mobile is fantastic, low stress for both you and your dog(s). You'll love it! Please call Robert anytime at 720-480-1560.

## Professional Services

**LUXURY LIMOUSINE SERVICE** - Look no further for your transportation needs! We are family-owned and operated with 20+ years-experience. Residents of the Village! Rest assured, you and your family will get to your destination safely and in black limousine style! M&D Car Service, call or text 303-888-8299.

**THE ANTIQUE TRADER** since 1965. CHV residents since 1984. Fair market value/insurance appraisals. Estate appraisals/estate sales. Purchasing: costume, fine jewelry and sterling silver; Native American jewelry, rugs, pottery and artifacts; art and objects of virtue. Jack Wartell 303-722-6098 & Judy Wartell 303-919-5673 [antiquetraderappraisals.com](http://antiquetraderappraisals.com) or [jack.wartell@gmail.com](mailto:jack.wartell@gmail.com)

**VIDEO PRODUCTION SERVICES** - Professional-looking videos at surprisingly low prices! 45 years experience in website videos, TV commercials, corporate videos, YouTube videos, infomercials, radio commercials and more. We write, shoot and edit. Call today for your free consultation! [huntmidiagroup.tv](http://huntmidiagroup.tv) or 303-989-3920.

## Wildlife Service/Removal

**ANIMAL DAMAGE CONTROL** for wildlife problems of all sizes. Licensed and insured. We have been servicing Cherry Hills Village for over 28 years. Professional, ethical and humane, we don't use gasses, poisons or pesticides. 303-884-9100, [wildlifedamage.com](http://wildlifedamage.com) or [adcwildlifespecialist@gmail.com](mailto:adcwildlifespecialist@gmail.com)

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## EAST QUINCY AVENUE AND SOUTH HOLLY STREET

Within the next two months, Denver Water will start a construction project at East Quincy Avenue and South Holly Street to make upgrades to the City's water delivery system. The project will improve underground vault and valve structures to create more flexibility in the system and reduce the probability of emergency projects and water outages. Denver Water continually monitors its aging infrastructure and identifies specific water pipes in the street that need replacement to ensure customers receive a continuous supply of high-quality water.

The work, which will be completed by a contractor, will be done in four phases to limit lengthy traffic impacts. Traffic control and lane changes will be in place, including detours to the multi-use path. Denver Water expects the project to be complete in summer 2023, with landscape seeding and restoration activities occurring after construction is complete, as weather permits. Working hours will typically be Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The park on the southeast corner of East Quincy Avenue and South Holly Street will be closed for the duration of the project. Denver Water will work with the City of Cherry Hills Village to restore the park with new landscaping.

Denver Water will provide periodic updates throughout the project via the social media platform Nextdoor. Mailed notices will be sent to customers in the area before the project begins.

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For questions directly related to this project, please contact [WaterUDoing@denverwater.org](mailto:WaterUDoing@denverwater.org).

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For general questions, please call Denver Water Customer Care: 303-893-2444, Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Get outside with us as we continue summer fun at Quincy Farm this August!

- Hummingbirds of the Front Range August 13, 9:00 -11:00 am at Quincy Farm
- Beekeeping Discussion August 30, 6:30 - 8:00 pm at Quincy Farm

Find out more at [quincyfarm.org/chlp-programs](http://quincyfarm.org/chlp-programs)



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**CHVAC**  
CHERRY HILLS VILLAGE ART COMMISSION ■

## YOUTH ART SHOW CALL FOR ENTRIES!!

Village children age 5 to 18 are invited  
to submit their artwork on the theme  
**“What Cherry Hills Village Means to Me.”**  
This is the first ever Youth Art Show sponsored by the  
Cherry Hills Village Art Commission.

### AWARDS:

- Best in Show (\$100 gift card)
- Age 5-8 1st Place (\$50 gift card)
- Age 5-8 Honorable Mention
- Age 9-12 1st Place (\$50 gift card)
- Age 9-12 Honorable Mention
- Age 13-18 1st Place (\$50 gift card)
- Age 13-18 Honorable Mention
- People’s Choice (\$25 gift card)

### SUBMISSION RULES:

- Artists must be age 5 to age 18 at time of submission
- Artists must live in Cherry Hills Village
- To submit a piece, please bring it to City Hall  
(2450 E. Quincy Ave.) any weekday between 8am-4:30pm
- **Submission Deadline is Monday October 3, 2022 at 4:30pm;** art must be received in-person by the deadline to be considered
- Artwork must have been made within the last year
- Artwork cannot have been in another art show
- No size limit
- All mediums welcome
- Artwork theme “What Cherry Hills Village Means to Me”
- If selected, artwork must be made hangable on the City’s hanging system, instructions will be provided
- If selected, artwork will hang for the Wednesday November 2, 2022 reception and be considered for awards. Artists will take their artwork home after the reception.
- Artists related to members of the Art Commission are allowed to participate but will not be considered for awards