

Festival of Ideas

A Colorado Classical Symposium

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SAT. OCT. 1

8:30AM-3PM

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This Year We Culminate with a Meet the Speakers Social

Directly following Session III, we will have our first Meet the Speakers Social. The central goals of Festival of Ideas are to ignite intellectual curiosity and to inspire conversations across disciplines. What better way to achieve this than providing you, our audience, with a chance to engage the speakers in discussion? We anticipate that you will synthesize the ideas that inspired you from each presentation. There will be light refreshments to fuel your conversations and live music from our best student pianists to grace the air with a joyful noise. So, plan to join us as we revel in The Good Life.

Event Schedule

8:30-9:00 Breakfast

9:00-10:00 Keynote Address

10:10-11:05 Session I

11:15-12:10 Session II

12:10-12:50 Lunch

(Complementary)

1:00-1:55 Session III &
Seminar for Educators

2:00 Meet the Speakers Social

Keynote Address: Dr. Anika Prather *Classics for ALL*

Founder of the Living Water School, Lecturer at Howard University, Newly appointed as Director, High Quality Curriculum and Instruction in the Dept of Ed Policy at Johns Hopkins University

I will share my journey into classical education and how I discovered a classical tradition in the Black community and many other diverse populations. I will also share practical tips for making classical learning accessible to diverse students.



Featured Presentations

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Session I:
Dr. Matthew Post

Associate Director, St. Ambrose Center, University of Dallas

Can rhythm and melody make us better human beings?

Without music, people cannot distinguish fun from leisure...Aristotle argues that rhythm and melody can closely represent not just emotions, but moral virtues—a bold claim! In this presentation, we will test his claim by discussing the thoughts of the ancients... we will listen to the music that inspired...them, to see for ourselves if rhythm and melody can convey virtue.



Session II:
Dr. Karie Willyerd

Author, School of Business Advisory Board, Colorado State University

The Bauhaus Legacy: Revisiting the avant-garde of 1928

Until the Nazis closed the Bauhaus in 1933, it was one of the most progressive art schools in the world...The Bauhaus is an extraordinary example of how great ideas can not be extinguished, only dimmed for a while, before burning brightly as inspiration for generations to come.



Session III:
Mrs. Jean Bradley

Science Teacher, LCHS

From Frozen Cells to Furry Ferrets

Black-footed ferrets, native to the grasslands right in our backyard, were thought to be extinct until Willa and her family were discovered in Wyoming in 1981. 40 years later, Willa's frozen cells were thawed and successfully cloned to produce Elizabeth Ann - an adorable black-footed ferret who has been called a "leap of hope" in bringing genetic diversity back into the black-footed ferret population...

Come Hear Your Favorite Liberty Teachers Including...

Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. Gowing, Mrs. Clemens, Mrs. Grandprey, Mr. Hales, Mrs. Scarlett, Mr. Lunn, Mr. Seiple & Papa Penning