



Agenda for FoCoFuture Forum - May 13

- 4:30 Registration, Networking, Refreshments
- 5:00 Introduction and Speaker Presentations
 - Dave Edwards, UniverCity Connections Chair
 - Holly LeMasurier “The Classic Story of the West”
 - Cheryl Glanz “From the Roots Up”
 - Elizabeth Garner “Who is in Fort Collins?”
 - Lesli Ellis “Planning the Community’s Destiny”
 - Martin Carcasson “How to Build Community when there are No Easy Answers”
- 6:15 Small Group Discussions (rotations)
- 7:45 Wrap up

Thanks for joining us for this important series about the future of Fort Collins. Our goal for tonight is to reflect on where we have come from, where we are now, and how planning shapes our city.

- Where did we come from and what do we know?
 - What is the story of our place – our natural and social history?
 - Demographics – who lives and works here now? How much are we going to grow, really?
 - Planning 101: land use, zoning, infrastructure, transportation

We will kick off the program with several speakers to get us thinking. Then it will be your turn to shape the discussion. Write your ideas for a small group discussion topic and give it to one of the facilitators. Then feel free to move to whichever table discussion you want to join.

We hope you will also meet some interesting people that you would like to connect with further – we have provided contact exchange forms to make it easy to do.

In the next weeks, we will continue the discussion around what we want the story of our place to be (May 27), how can we all live and work here (June 10), and how do we prepare for growth and change (June 24). We hope you will invite your friends and join us for those sessions as well. Please go to UniverCityConnections.org to register.

Our speakers



Holly LeMasurier is Director of Community Connections at the Fort Collins Museum of Discovery. Holly has lived in Fort Collins for four years, returning with her husband and child after a 20 year hiatus all over the world. Holly has worked on community development and public participation for decades, increasing public involvement in creating places and spaces that achieve visionary results. She is a strong believer in people's power to create places we love. She earned her Masters in Community and Regional Planning and Masters in International Studies degrees from the University of Oregon. Her very first college credits were from Front Range Community College and CSU!



Cheryl Glanz is part of a multi-generation Fort Collins native family whose history in Fort Collins dates back to 1903. Cheryl serves on the board of directors for the NoCo Chapter of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia and as community liaison for the International Center for German Russian Studies at CSU. Cheryl is a graduate of the Master of Tourism Management program at CSU and serves as coordinator for the Colorado Welcome Center. She led development of the first collaborative Colorado Scenic and Historic Byways project for the Northwest Colorado Three Byways and a Natural Loop Driving Tour, launching this summer. She is part of an ambassador group for Colorado and the Colorado Byways Program going to Japan later this month.



Lesli Ellis serves as Comprehensive Planning Manager for the City of Boulder. She has 18 years of community planning experience, three with the city of Boulder where she currently coordinates ecological planning, historic preservation, and long range planning. Lesli has worked across the U.S. on community plans (including Fort Collins' plan) and for local and regional government agencies in Colorado and New Mexico on open lands/trails and environmental planning. She earned her Master of Urban Planning and Master of Landscape Architecture degrees from the University of Washington in Seattle and her Bachelor of Environmental Design from CU Boulder. Lesli lives in Fort Collins.



Elizabeth Garner is the State Demographer, joining the CO Department of Local Affairs in 2004. Her office produces population and economic estimates and forecast for use by state agencies and local governments. Current research includes aging in Colorado, characteristics of migration, and poverty. Elizabeth is an economist by training and prior to working with the state she worked 10 years with the CSU Cooperative Extension managing a data center and producing economic and demographic impact reports. She earned a B.A. in Business at the University of San Diego, her masters in Agricultural and Resource Economics at CSU and is a PhD candidate for the same program. She is a Denver native.



Martin Carcasson is the founder and director of the CSU Center for Public Deliberation (CPD). His interests are focused on rhetoric and contemporary public affairs, and the interdisciplinary theory and practice of deliberative democracy and collaborative governance. The CPD serves as an impartial resource for the community dedicated to enhancing local democracy in Northern Colorado through improved public communication, community problem solving, and collaborative decision making.

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