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## ‘The Wish’ Reception Announced

*Community members, media invited to explore new public art project*

THORNTON, Colo.—May 15, 2014—Anythink celebrates its latest public art project with a reception for *The Wish* on Friday, May 30, from 5-7 pm, at [Anythink Huron Street](#). Community members and media are invited to join Anythink staff and *The Wish* artist [Helen Hiebert](#) for this unveiling. Refreshments will be provided.

*The Wish* features a large dandelion sculpture made of 300 handcrafted paper seeds, representing the wishes of individuals from the Anythink Huron Street community and across the globe. The installation also includes a motion-activated audio component by local sound artist [Jim Green](#), featuring recordings of wishes collected from community members of all ages.

*The Wish* is commissioned in honor of Kay Riddle, former president of the Rangeview Library District Board of Trustees. Riddle, who retired from the board in 2013, provided leadership and vision for improved library funding and services for the Adams County community.

“*The Wish* project symbolizes private wishes that come together as a whole in a metaphor for human connectedness,” says Hiebert. “The sculpture will find a great home at Anythink, whose approach to community aligns well with the theme of the project.”

*The Wish* is the latest project in Anythink’s “[This is Who We Are](#)” collaborative public art series that partners community members with local artists to create art that represents a library location’s particular community. Anythink launched “This is Who We Are” in December 2011 at Anythink Bennett with the creation of a community-inspired quilt comprised of visual representations of life of the Eastern plains. Similarly, *The Wish* will be created in conjunction with the community served by Anythink Huron Street to reflect their particular experiences, dreams and wishes.

“*The Wish* is a dream collaborative art project for Anythink,” says Anythink Director

Pam Sandlian Smith. "The wishes of our community connected to wishes from around the world will create a sense of optimism for customers to enjoy during their library visit."

**Event Details**  
**The Wish Reception**  
Friday, May 30, 2014  
5-7 pm

Anythink Huron Street  
9417 Huron St.  
Thornton, CO 80260  
303-452-7534

*Join Anythink staff and paper artist Helen Hiebert at the opening reception for The Wish, Anythink's latest collaborative public art project at Anythink Huron Street. Guests are invited to explore this new permanent art installation and enjoy refreshments. Free and open to the public.*

**About Anythink™**

Anythink is a new style of library – a place of unlimited imagination, where play inspires creativity and lifelong learning. Rangeview Library District serves the residents of Adams County with seven Anythink libraries and [Anythink in Motion](#) – the district's mobile library – and is one of the recipients of the 2010 National Medal of Museum and Library Service from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. For more information, go to [anythinklibraries.org](http://anythinklibraries.org).

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