

EXHIBIT: **AMACHE: COLORADO'S JAPANESE INTERNMENT CAMP** July 27 – October 31, 2010



Imagine being given one week's notice that you have to leave your home, taking only what you can carry. Nearly 120,000 Japanese Americans were ordered to do just that in 1942. Some came to an internment camp called Amache in Southeastern Colorado.

Come learn about life at Amache and why these loyal Americans were forced into a life behind barbed wire.

The exhibit will feature a re-creation of a 16 x 20 ft. barracks room. Visitors will be able to walk into the room and experience the size and life of internees in the camp. In addition, craft pieces and silk screen items created in the camp, domestic ware, and archaeological pieces will be on display. If you have a story or item to contribute please contact Exhibit Curator MaryJane Valade - mvalade@auroragov.org.

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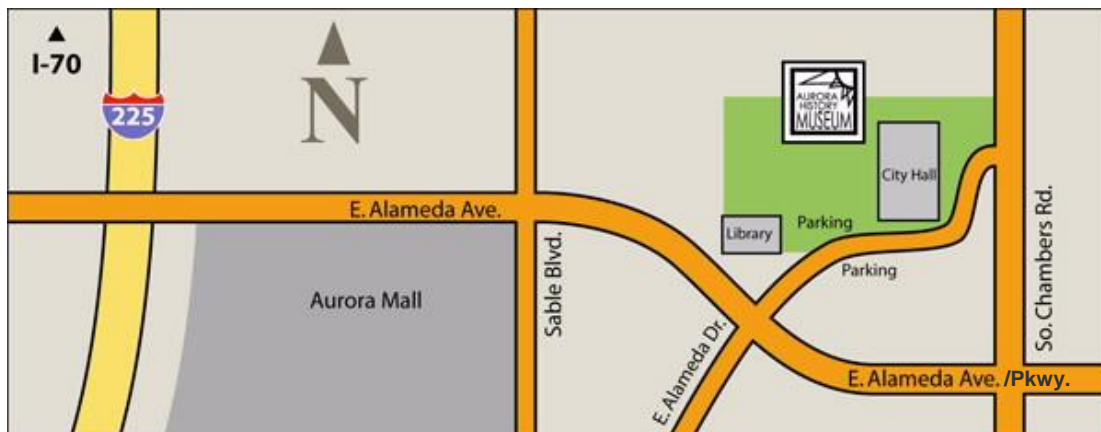
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The **Aurora History Museum** is a community-based cultural center featuring changing history and decorative arts exhibits with educational programs, tours, workshops, and family events offered for all ages throughout the year.

We are located in the Aurora Municipal Center Complex, next to the Aurora Central Library and the Aurora Municipal Justice Center: **15051 E. Alameda Parkway, Aurora, CO 80012**. Front Desk: **303-739-6660**.

Museum Hours: **Tuesday- Friday, 9am - 4pm; Saturday & Sunday, 11am - 4pm.** **Admission is Always Free.**



From I-225, take Alameda Ave east for less than one mile. Pass through the light at Sable Blvd. Turn left at the next light on Alameda Dr. Parking is on the right or left side of Alameda Dr, just past the Aurora Central Library. The Museum is located across the lawn, between the Justice Center and the Aurora Municipal Center (City Hall).

Museum parking may also be accessed from Chambers Rd. Turn west at the lights just to the north of Alameda Ave/Pkwy. Immediately turn left and follow Alameda Dr around the Aurora Municipal Center. Parking will be on the left and right before the Aurora Central Library.