



INVITATION TO TOUR PARTICIPANTS

Dear Community of People with Disabilities,

The Independence Center and The Arc Pikes Peak Region have been invited to partner with the Downtown Partnership's First Friday Downtown on September 1st. Free and open to the public, First Friday Downtown features new art, live music, and special events on the first Friday of every month from 5-8pm at dozens of galleries, retailers and nonprofits throughout Downtown Colorado Springs.

The Downtown Partnership would like feedback from a variety of people with disabilities regarding the accessibility of the First Friday event.

Tour Participants can expect:

- A Guided tour of the First Friday experience on September 1st, from 5-8pm
- A facilitated focus group to provide feedback to the Downtown Partnership on the accessibility of the experience
- A fun evening with food (and lots of dessert!) provided

Tour Participants will provide:

- New perspectives on potential barriers or opportunities for integration of people with disabilities in the First Friday Event
- A commitment to being available for the full event time
- Open and specific feedback on their experiences
- Any necessary accommodations you may need in order to experience the event fully

Please contact Jamie Muth at <u>imuth@the-ic.org</u> or 719-471-8181 ext. 167 by 5pm on 8/14 to RSVP.

