The Milton E. Proby (MEP) Cultural Heritage Room is dedicated to preserving and documenting the contributions of African-American, Asian, Hispanic/Latino and Native American individuals from Southern Colorado. It is a place to honor ethnic minority leaders whose lives have embodied the ideals of civic involvement and leadership. Reverend Proby was one of the first civil rights leaders to have profound influence in the campaign for equality in southern Colorado. He made significant contributions within this community and the Trustees of El Pomar Foundation honor his legacy through the establishment of the Cultural Heritage Room.

In the years to come, the contributions of additional ethnic minority leaders will be memorialized here through the leadership of the El Pomar Emerging Leaders Program.

The El Pomar Emerging Leaders Program began in 2001 to help develop the wealth of diverse leadership potential within southern Colorado. The program identifies and encourages current and emerging ethnic minority leaders to embrace broad-based community involvement, civic engagement and service on boards and commissions.

For more information about the El Pomar Foundation or the Emerging Leadership Development Program visit our website at www.elpomar.org/emergingleaders

Mission:
To preserve and document the civic contributions of ethnic minorities in Southern Colorado

Goal:
Advance cross-cultural understanding and inform the broader community about the ethnic experience in Southern Colorado through exhibits, events and publication.

Objective:
Two-dimensional exhibit at Penrose House displayed in the Milton E. Proby Cultural Heritage Room.

Milton E. Proby Room Selection Criteria
1. Person nominated has to be deceased.
2. Must have lived in Southeastern Colorado and made a civic impact in the designated area between 1876 (when Colorado was founded) to present. Southeastern Colorado is currently defined as Northern border of El Paso/Teller County to Southern Colorado State; from Walsenburg to Eastern-state border.
3. Photo is required.
4. Contributions must be civic based not to exclude major monetary gifts.

5. All nominations and research will be provided on a voluntary basis.

**NOMINATION PROCESS**

_The application process is on-going._

Throughout the year(s) there will be a selection process for Asian American, African American, Hispanic/Latino and Native American Civic Leaders.

_The nomination application should include specific documentation and examples of why the individual is being nominated._ Some examples of documentation would include newspaper articles, books, websites, newsletters, or letters from people who can speak of their accomplishments. The Committee votes on all completed applications submitted based on their accomplishments and contributions. The nomination application should include the following:

1. Geographic Area or Civic Involvement
   - Local/Regional/State

2. Civic Engagement
   - Area(s) of Expertise
   - Professional Community Involvement
   - Experience with Local Community Involvement
   - Success in Unifying People across Cultural Boundaries
   - Monetary Contributions or Influence
   - Experience/Involvement with Local/ State Elected Officials

3. Leadership
   - Embodies the Spirit and Ideas of Community Stewardship
   - Demonstrated Leadership Ability
   - Mentorship That Made a Difference in the Community
   - Coordinated/Influenced Project(s) that Impacted the Broader Community
   - Political Influence

**The Milton E. Proby Room Selection Committee**
The Milton E. Proby Room Selection Committee includes El Pomar Emerging Leaders Program Director, Assistant Director, Emerging Leaders Advisory Council Coordinators, and selected representatives from community based organizations.

**El Pomar Foundation hosts ceremony to recognize the honoree.**
The El Pomar Foundation Emerging Leadership Development Program (ELD) will host an induction ceremony to acknowledge the contributions of the honoree whose life embodied the ideals of civic involvement and leadership in Southern Colorado. The ceremony will be held at the Penrose House in Colorado Springs.

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MILTON E. PROBY CULTURAL HERITAGE ROOM  
CIVIC LEADER NOMINATION APPLICATION  

Application Deadline: May 14, 2021

(Please type, save to your computer, then email to eldprogram@elpomar.org)

NAME: 

Ethnicity: ___ African American  ___ Asian American  ___ Hispanic/Latino  ___ Native American

Date of Birth: _______________  Date of Death: _______________

Location of Contribution(s): 

Contribution(s): 
(Use may use a separate page for more space. Also please forward articles / supporting information via email).

Available Photo?  ____ Yes  ____ No  *(Required)*

Do you know of any living relatives?  ____ Yes  ____ No  ____ Will Research To Find Out

Relatives Information
Name(s): 

Contact Information: 

NOMINATED BY: 

Organization: 

123 Main St, Anytown, CA 12345
Why do you feel this person should be selected for display on the Milton E. Proby Room “Wall of Fame”?

Additional Information:

For more information on the Milton E. Proby Cultural Heritage Room, contact Nomination Committee Co-Chairs:

Amber Coté – Co-Chair – acote@coloradononprofits.org

Stella Hodgkins – Co-Chair – hodgkinss@gejohnson.com

Please return all forms via mail or email to Nastassia Idahosa

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Questions: Contact Nastassia at eldprogram@elpomar.org or 719-577-7017
For more information regarding the Emerging Leadership Development Program (ELD) www.elpomar.org/emergingleaders