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Join Historic Denver's **Molly Brown House Museum** in commemorating the 110th anniversary of the sinking of the *RMS Titanic*



See rare Titanic artifacts at the Molly Brown House Museum! As you explore our exhibit, *Heroine of the Titanic*, you'll discover a heroine's story through Brown family documents and objects from other survivors, like a postal slip from one of the mail bags on board, and a gold medal awarded to second officer of the Carpathia by Margaret Brown herself.

For the first time at the Molly Brown House Museum, you'll see the one object that Mrs. Brown brought with her on the Titanic that survived the wreck in her pocket. It is an Egyptian funerary talisman called a ushabti, which she purchased in Egypt just before booking passage on the ship.

Thanks to the *Stanley and Laurel Lehrer Collection*, the talisman has made its way to Denver this summer!

Historic Denver will also be unveiling never-before-seen documents from our own Molly Brown House Museum collections related to Mrs. Brown's Titanic experience, including a telegram she received while still on board the rescue ship from her son, Larry. It even contains a mysterious scribbled note by Mrs. Brown herself! This, and other documents you'll see this summer, were tucked away in the family collection of *Scott and Lisa Vollrath and Carol Marenholz*, descendants of the Tobin family, who so generously donated their Brown family scrapbook to the museum.

You'll also have a chance to explore the pop culture side of the Titanic – those plays, books and movies that keep Titanic alive in our minds today. Come see original props from the James Cameron *Titanic* (1997) movie and *The Unsinkable Molly Brown* (1960, 1964) play and movie, courtesy of Titanic Museum Attractions (Branson, MO/Pigeon Forge, TN).

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**“Heroine of the Titanic”** exhibit runs **April 1 – September 5** and is included with general museum admission. Ways to experience “Heroine of the Titanic” at the Molly Brown House Museum include:

***Titanic Audio Tours***

Available in English and Spanish every day to guests choosing the *Explore on Your Own* option for visiting the museum. Guests must provide their own headphones and devices to access the audio tour website while viewing the exhibit. No extra charge.

***Guided Titanic Insider Tours***

On Sundays and Tuesdays at 1:00 pm learn the thrilling true story of Margaret Brown’s Titanic experience from one of our specially trained guides. \$19.12/person.

***Titanic Memories***

April 15 & 16 - Performances starting every 15 minutes

Margaret “Molly” Brown. John Jacob Astor. Benjamin Guggenheim. We tend to know the famous names among the Titanic passengers, but what about the not so famous? Who else was traveling on Titanic, and what happened to those who survived? Relive their tales of love and loss, escape and rescue in this one-of-a-kind theater experience. Accessible performance 4/16 at 5pm. \$25/person; \$20/member

***A Deeper Dive into Titanic***

Our monthly speaker series will explore all aspects of the Titanic story, including food, Egyptology—did you know about the lucky talisman given to the captain? —construction, and other rarely shared insights. The series will kick off with *Unsinkable on the Nile: Margaret Brown in Egypt* on April 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in partnership with the Denver Egyptian Study Society.

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**Historic Denver Today**

Margaret “Molly” Brown has been the subject of many books, movies, and stage productions, and has become one of Denver’s most intriguing legends. Margaret Brown was an amazing and spirited woman and became active in the women’s suffrage movement, labor reform efforts, and even survived the sinking of the Titanic! By 1970 her home had fallen prey to deterioration and was in danger of being demolished. A group of concerned citizens incorporated themselves as Historic Denver, Inc. and fought to save and restore the Brown home.

What began with the Molly Brown House Museum in late 1970 has expanded into a citywide historic preservation movement. Today, fifty years into its work, Historic Denver engages the

community through efforts include bringing forward the story of Denver's Chicano/a Movement in La Alma Lincoln Park, finding preservation solutions for buildings in jeopardy, and creating an inventory of significant buildings and neighborhoods across the city through the Discover Denver project. Get involved at [www.historicdenver.org](http://www.historicdenver.org).