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El Paso Museum of History Opens “Mountain of Gold: A History of East and Southeast Asian Cultures in El Paso del Norte, 1880s–1980s”

EL PASO, Texas—The El Paso Museum of History invites the community to experience a new exhibition, *Mountain of Gold: A History of East and Southeast Asian Cultures in El Paso del Norte, 1880s–1980s*, which explores the region’s rich and diverse histories.

The exhibition sheds light on how Asian communities in the borderlands were often broadly labeled as Chinese, yet their histories and contributions are far more diverse. *Mountain of Gold* highlights the distinct stories of Chinese, Korean, Filipino, Japanese, and Vietnamese families, honoring their lasting influence on the cultural fabric of El Paso and the surrounding region.

The exhibition’s title reflects a phrase used by many families who came to the border region in search of opportunity. At the time, the United States was often referred to as the “mountain of gold,” while Mexico was known as the “mountain of silver.”

Like many El Paso Museum of History projects, *Mountain of Gold* was shaped by extensive community conversations. The exhibition challenges the idea of a singular Asian identity and instead showcases family stories, neighborhoods, businesses, institutions, and cultural exchanges that shaped life along the border.

Mountain of Gold opens Saturday, September 27, at the El Paso Museum of History.

More information about the El Paso Museum of History is available at www.EPMuseumofHistory.org.

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