

“Hey what’s up? My name’s Justin Snyder. I am the co-owner of The Loft here - I own it with my wife Katie Snyder, and I wanted to give you guys a little background on how this project became what it is.

So, back when I was growing up on a farm in Ohio, I used to call in to the local library once a week, every Sunday.

And, when I would call in there, they would have children’s stories queued up, and they would refresh them every Sunday.

So every Sunday I would sit down, and call in to the local library, and I would listen to another kid’s story, and when I got this phone booth, that’s just kind of what phones reminded me of, right?

We don’t use pay phones too much anymore, and when I saw the phone booth, I thought of sitting there and listening to a story. And that’s kind of what we wanted to do with this phone booth.

We wanted to make it a phone booth of stories. Stories about Manitou, a small town that we’ve lived here for about 10 years, and moved from that small farm in Ohio to this small town, and that we’ve grown to love.

And we love to share stories, so enjoy!”