



Park Programs Listings – August 2018

Online registration - www.pima.gov/nrpr

Program information - Phone: 520-724-5375 or Email: eeducation@pima.gov

Birding Agua Caliente Park

What: Take a guided walk to see a variety of birds such as warblers, flycatchers, hummingbirds, orioles, and vireos. Loaner binoculars available. All ages welcome.

Date: Every Thursday in August

Time: 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Where: Pima County Agua Caliente Park, 12325 E. Roger Road 85749

Cost: Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.

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Learn your Local Lizards

What: During a classroom session learn about the biology and behavior of lizards, followed by a guided walk in search of whiptail, zebra-tailed, spiny and other local lizards. Binoculars are available for use or bring your own. Ages 12 and up.

Date: Friday, August 3

Time: 7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Where: Brandi Fenton Memorial Park Visitor Center, 3482 E. River Road 85718

Cost: \$10 with membership. \$15 Non-member fee. Online registration required.

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Desert Night Shift

What: While most people are tucked in bed, our desert comes alive! Join Pima County naturalists on an easy hike to discover “who” is out and about in the desert at night. Learn why many animals, and even some plants, are nocturnal and how they manage life in the dark. Bring a headlamp or flashlight. All ages welcome.

Date: Friday, August 3

Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Where: Tucson Mountain Park, Ironwood Picnic Area, 1500 S. Kinney Road at Hal Gras Road 85735

Cost: Children free. Adults free with Membership, Non-Member Adult \$5 fee. Online registration required.

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Lizards of Agua Caliente Park

What: Join us as we search for whiptail, spiny, ornate tree, and other lizards that roam Agua Caliente Park. Binoculars are available for use or bring your own. All ages welcome.

Date: Saturday, August 4

Time: 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Where: Pima County Agua Caliente Park, 12325 E. Roger Road 85749

Cost: Free. Registration not required.

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Tour of Historic Canoa Ranch

What: Join a walking tour of the Canoa Ranch headquarters. Visit the historic buildings and corrals and enjoy the special exhibits of the people of Canoa. All ages welcome.

Date: Saturday, August 4

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Where: Historic Canoa Ranch, 5375 S. I-19 Frontage Road, Green Valley 85622

Cost: Free. Online registration required.

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Bats in Flight

What: Discover the fascinating lives of Mexican free-tailed bats and watch as hundreds of bats emerge from their daytime roosts under the Campbell Avenue Bridge over the Rillito River. Pima County naturalists and volunteers provide information and family-friendly activities. All ages welcome.

Date: Saturday, August 4

Time: 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Where: Pima County Rillito River Park, 4200 N. Campbell Avenue 85719

Cost: Free. Registration not required.

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Birding Colossal Cave Mountain Park

What: See what birds enjoy the heat as we explore the bountiful birdlife that inhabits the Arizona Uplands of Colossal Cave Mountain Park. All ages welcome.

Date: Tuesday, August 7

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Where: Colossal Cave Mountain Park, 16721 E. Old Spanish Trail 85641

Cost: Free with Membership. Non-member \$5 fee. Online registration required.

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Date: Saturday, August 11

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Where: Historic Canoa Ranch, 5375 S. I-19 Frontage Road, Green Valley 85622

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Birding Cienega Creek

What: Beat the heat on this guided walk to observe the rich bird life in the diverse habitats of Cienega Creek Natural Preserve as we search for hawks, tanagers, warblers, sparrows, and many others. All ages welcome.

Date: Tuesday, August 14

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Where: Gabe Zimmerman Davidson Canyon Trailhead at Cienega Creek Natural Preserve, 16000 E. Marsh Station Road 85641

Cost: Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.

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Restoration Tour

What: From deteriorating ruins to functional buildings: take a behind-the-scenes tour with Architectural Preservationist Simon Herbert to examine the processes and materials used in the restoration of the structures at Historic Canoa Ranch. All ages welcome.

Date: Wednesday, August 15

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Where: Historic Canoa Ranch, 5375 S. I-19 Frontage Road, Green Valley 85622

Cost: Free. Online registration required.

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Anza Tour at Historic Canoa Ranch

What: Learn about Colonel Juan Bautista de Anza and the group of Spanish colonial settlers who, in 1775, made their first stop at Canoa Ranch as they began an epic 1200-mile journey from Sonora, New Spain to colonize the port of what is now San Francisco. A 5-mile segment of the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail extends through Historic Canoa Ranch. All ages welcome.

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Nuts about Nature Preschool Hour at Brandi Fenton Park

What: Join us for child-friendly fun as we learn about nature through stories, crafts, and games. Explore a new nature topic each month. Children ages 3-5 with an adult companion.

Date: Wednesday, August 15

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Where: Brandi Fenton Memorial Park Visitor Center, 3482 E. River Road 85718

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Nuts about Nature Preschool Hour at Agua Caliente Park

What: Join us for child-friendly fun as we learn about nature through stories, crafts, and games. Explore a new nature topic each month. Children ages 3-5 with an adult companion.

Date: Friday, August 17

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Where: Pima County Agua Caliente Park, 12325 E. Roger Road 85749

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Bat Biology Workshop

What: Bats are amazing mammals. They are the only mammals capable of flight, are able to capture small insects in flight in total darkness and very diverse in species, diet, and lifestyle. Join us for an in-depth presentation of these remarkable, but sometimes misunderstood, creatures. Some of the topics we will cover include bat diversity, echolocation, diet, migration/hibernation, and other facets of bat biology in preparation for our upcoming outdoor bat programs. All ages welcome

Date: Friday, August 17

Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

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Sonoran Desert Weedwackers

What: Join the Sonoran Desert Weedwackers to eradicate buffelgrass and fountain grass in Tucson Mountain Park. Work requires hiking and digging buffelgrass on steep slopes. Meeting locations change frequently. Email eeducation@pima.gov for meeting location. Ages 18 and up.

Date: Saturday, August 18

Time: 6:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Where: Pima County Tucson Mountain Park 85743

Cost: Free.

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Birding Canoa Ranch

What: Join birding expert Brian Nicholas to see a wide variety of sparrows, raptors, and the possibility of waterfowl on the newly restored pond at Historic Canoa Ranch. All ages welcome.

Date: Saturday, August 18

Time: 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Where: Historic Canoa Ranch, 5375 S. I-19 Frontage Road, Green Valley 85622

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Batpalooza

What: Explore the fascinating lives of bats through hands-on family fun activities. Observe live bats up close after sunset as wildlife biologists from Arizona Game and Fish Department catch and release bats as part of an ongoing study. Pima County Naturalists will give presentations on the remarkable echolocation abilities of bats. All ages welcome.

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Wondering About the Wild Things

What: Naturalist Jeff Babson shares “Butterflies: World’s Most Popular Insects” in an informative hour-long talk followed by a Q and A session on any nature topic that you may have been wondering about. If the weather is nice we will be outside, so feel free to bring a lawn chair. All ages welcome.

Date: Friday, August 24

Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

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Cost: Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.

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Maeveen Behan Desert Sanctuary Nature Walk

What: Enjoy a naturalist-guided walk through Sonoran Desert habitat on mostly-level trails and learn about the diverse plants and wildlife that inhabit the area. Ages 12 and up.

Date: Saturday, August 25

Time: 7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Where: Arthur Pack Regional Park, 9101 N. Thornydale Road, 85742

Cost: Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.

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Family Birding Agua Caliente Park

What: Join an all-ages walk for beginning birders to explore the diversity of birds found in our area. Identify birds by shape, plumage, and behavior, and learn how to use binoculars and field guides. Loaner binoculars available.

Date: Saturday, August 25

Time: 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

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Full Moon Wander

What: Join a Pima County naturalist to send off the sun and welcome the full moon. Nature reveals another side in the night hours; there is always something to discover! Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes, and bring water and a flashlight. Ages 12 and up.

Date: Sunday, August 26

Time: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Where: Pima County Feliz Paseos Park, 1600 North Camino de Oeste 85745

Cost: Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.

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Agua Caliente Park Ranch House Gallery

What: Living River of Words: Local children share their view of the natural world in this exhibition of award winning poetry and mixed media art. All ages welcome.

Date: July 26- August 22

Agua Caliente Park Ranch House Hours: May – October: Tuesday – Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Where: Pima County Agua Caliente Park, 12325 E. Roger Road 85749

Cost: Free.

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What: Connected: Nature stories told by Shannon Sullivan through photographs printed on paper, glass, canvas and wood.

Date: August 25-September 26

Agua Caliente Park Ranch House Hours: May – October: Tuesday – Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Where: Pima County Agua Caliente Park, 12325 E. Roger Road 85749

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Living River of Words: Youth Poetry and Art

What: Local children share their view of the natural world in this exhibition of award winning poetry and mixed media art. All ages welcome.

Date: August 25 – September 27

Time: Monday-Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m., Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Sunday: 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Where: Dusenberry – River Branch Library, 5605 E. River Rd., # 105 85750

Cost: Free.

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