



Park Programs Listings – November 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, including waterfowl, raptors, sparrows, and many others. Loaner binoculars available. All ages welcome.

Date: Every Thursday in November (except Thanksgiving Day, 11/22).

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 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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Birding Tucson Mountain Park

What: Join us for a guided walk through ironwood-saguaro habitat looking for Sonoran Desert resident birds. Loaner binoculars available. All ages welcome.

Date: Friday, November 2

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

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

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

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Birding Colossal Cave Mountain Park

What: Explore the bountiful birdlife that inhabits the Arizona Uplands of Colossal Cave Mountain Park. We expect to see raptors, woodpeckers, sparrows, and many other birds. All ages welcome.

Date: Tuesday, November 6

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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All About Saguaros

What: Learn about the ecology and traditional uses of our most iconic desert plant, the saguaro cactus. Discuss the importance of saguaros to native wildlife, as well as native peoples of the Sonoran Desert. All ages welcome.

Date: Tuesday, November 6

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Where: Dewhirst-Catalina Library, 15631 N Oracle Road 85739

Cost: Free.

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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: Tuesday, November 6

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **and** 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

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

Cost: \$5 Donation per person. 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.

Date: Wednesday, November 7

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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

Cost: \$5 Donation per person. 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, November 7

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

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

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The Wonderful World of Bats

What: Explore the exciting nightlife of bats, their intriguing adaptations, and the important roles they play in the environment. Discuss current threats to bat populations and what efforts are being made to protect them. All ages welcome.

Date: Friday, November 9

Time: 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Where: Mission Library, 3770 S Mission Rd, Tucson, AZ 85713

Cost: Free.

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Stargazing Agua Caliente Park

What: Explore the wonder and unfold the mysteries of the night sky. Tucson Amateur Astronomy Association volunteers provide an introduction to the night sky and set up telescopes for celestial viewing. Feel free to bring your lawn chair. All ages welcome. Weather permitting.

Date: Saturday, November 10

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

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

Cost: Free. Registration not required.

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Raptor ID Workshop

What: Hawks, eagles, and their relatives are iconic birds, serving as mascots for sports teams and symbols of wilderness. Raptors, however, pose some significant identification challenges to birders. This workshop will introduce techniques to enable birders to better identify raptors.

Ages 12 and up.

Date: Sunday, November 11

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

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

Cost: \$10 with Membership, Non-Member \$15 fee. Online registration required.

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Birding Sweetwater Preserve

What: Explore the scenic Arizona Uplands of Sweetwater Preserve, where we can expect to see three species of woodpecker, resident and wintering sparrows, and many other birds. All ages welcome.

Date: Tuesday, November 13

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Where: Sweetwater Preserve, 4000 N. Tortolita Road, south of El Camino Del Cerro 85745.

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

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

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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, November 14

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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

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

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Beginning Birding Workshop

What: Join us for a two-part introduction to birdwatching that will focus on the most common birds in the region, as well as techniques for identifying them. Participants will learn to recognize birds by size and shape, behavior, plumage, and habitat, and also how to use binoculars and field guides. Ages 12 and up.

Date: Thursday, November 15 **and** Sunday, November 18

Time: Thursday evening: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.; Sunday morning: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 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, November 16

Time: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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

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

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Wondering About the Wild Things

What: Just in time for fall, Naturalist Jeff Babson shares “Marvelous Mysterious Mushrooms” in an informative hour-long talk followed by a Q and A session on any nature topic that you may have questions about. If the weather is nice we will be outside, so feel free to bring a lawn chair. All ages welcome.

Date: Friday, November 16

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

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

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

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, November 17

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.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 pond at Historic Canoa Ranch. All ages welcome.

Date: Saturday, November 17

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

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

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Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

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

Cost: Free. Registration not required.

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Family Desert Discovery Hike

What: Come explore the simple beauty of the Desert Discovery Center and enjoy an easy, guided trail hike in the saguaro-studded foothills of the Tucson Mountains. Together families learn about plants and animals as well as how to watch for signs of wildlife. All ages welcome.

Date: Sunday, November 18

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Where: Tucson Mountain Park, Desert Discovery Center, 7798 W Gates Pass Road 85745

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

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Hike Rock Wren Trail

What: Enjoy the scenic and rugged beauty of the Tucson Mountains on a moderate level, 3-4 mile interpretive hike through Sonoran Desert uplands. Ages 12 and up.

Date: Monday, November 19

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Where: Tucson Mountain Park, Richard E. Genser Starr Pass Trailhead at S. Ave Del Correcaminos, Tucson 85745

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

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Birding Cienega Creek

What: Join us on this guided walk to observe the rich birdlife in the desert and riparian habitats of Cienega Creek Natural Preserve. All ages welcome.

Date: Tuesday, November 20

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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Hike Brown Mountain Trail

What: Enjoy spectacular views of the Tucson Mountains on this 3-mile guided hike with a Pima County naturalist. Ages 12 and up.

Date: Tuesday, November 20

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Where: Tucson Mountain Park, Brown Mountain Trailhead 8451 W. McCain Loop Road 85735.

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

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Tour of Historic Canoa Ranch

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Hike Sweetwater Preserve

What: Explore this 880-acre natural preserve known for its numerous palo verde trees and huge saguaros that adorn its hillsides on a 2-3 mile naturalist guided hike. Ages 12 and up.

Date: Wednesday, November 21

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Where: Sweetwater Preserve, 4000 N. Tortolita Road, south of El Camino Del Cerro

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

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Family Birding at Kino Environmental Restoration Project (KERP)

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, November 24

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Where: Sam Lena Park/KERP, 3400 S. Country Club Road 85713

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

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Anza Trail Hike

What: Explore a 2 to 3-mile section of the Anza Trail during an easy level interpretive hike and discover the cultural and natural history of the Santa Cruz River Valley. Following the hike there will be an optional tour of the historic Canoa Ranch headquarters. Ages 12 and up.

Date: Saturday, November 24

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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

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Full Moon Wander

What: Join a Pima County naturalist to walk the gentle trails of Agua Caliente Park as the full moon rises. 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: Saturday, November 24

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.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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Date: Tuesday, November 27

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **and** 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

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

Cost: \$5 Donation per person. Online registration required.

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Birding Maeveen Behan Desert Sanctuary

What: Take a guided walk on flat trails through saguaro-ironwood desert habitat to see a variety of upland birds as well as water birds on the adjacent ponds. Loaner binoculars available. All ages welcome.

Date: Wednesday, November 28

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 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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Date: Wednesday, November 28

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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

Cost: \$5 Donation per person. Online registration required.

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Agua Caliente Park Ranch House Gallery

What: Tucson Portrait Stories: a mixed media exhibit by artist Lauri Kaye illustrating the people, places and events that make Tucson extraordinary.

Date: November 3-December 5

Agua Caliente Park Ranch House Hours: November – April: Wednesday – Sunday, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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

Cost: Free.

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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: November 2 - December 2

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: Quincie Douglas Branch Library, 1585 E. 36th St. 85713

Cost: Free.

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