

## BRANDI FENTON MEMORIAL PARK



Visitor Center 3482 E. River Road,  
Tucson, AZ 85718  
Park Hours: Dawn – 10:00p.m.  
Park Information: 520-724-5000

**Online registration:**  
[www.pima.gov/nrpr](http://www.pima.gov/nrpr)  
**Program information**  
**Phone: 520-724-5375**  
**Email: [eeducation@pima.gov](mailto:eeducation@pima.gov)**

### Wondering About the Wild Things

Naturalist Jeff Babson shares 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, feel free to bring a lawn chair. All ages welcome. **Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.**

**Arizona's Native Fish: Friday, May 11 • 7:00-9:00 p.m.**

**Frogs and Toads of Southern Arizona: Friday, June 15 • 7:00-9:00 p.m.**



Photo: Martin Schlaepfer

### Nuts about Nature Preschool Hour at Brandi Fenton Park

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. **Children free. Adults free with Membership, Non-Member Adult \$5 fee.**

**Wednesday, May 16 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

**Wednesday, June 13 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

## OUT AND ABOUT IN PIMA COUNTY

### Cactus Hike

Enjoy the showy flowers of our local cacti and learn about their ecology and uses during a 2½-3 mile, easy to moderate level hike, along desert trails at Sweetwater Preserve. Ages 12 and up. **Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.** Pima County Sweetwater Preserve, 4000 N. Tortolita Rd., Tucson, AZ 85745  
**Saturday, May 5 • 7:00-9:30 a.m.**

### Birding Colossal Cave Mountain Park

Join a local birding expert to explore the abundant birdlife of the Arizona Uplands in Colossal Cave Mountain Park. All ages welcome. **Free with Membership. Non-member \$5 fee. Online registration required.** Colossal Cave Mountain Park, 16721 E. Old Spanish Trail 85641  
**Tuesday, May 8 • 8:00-10:00 a.m.**  
**Tuesday, June 5 • 8:00-10:00 a.m.**

### Honey Bee Village Twilight Nature Walk

Enjoy the desert at dusk during a naturalist guided nature walk at Honey Bee Village Archaeological Preserve and learn about the cultural and natural history of the site. All ages welcome. **Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.** Honey Bee Village Archaeological Preserve, southeast corner of N. Ranch Vistoso Blvd. and E. Moore Rd., Oro Valley, 85755  
**Friday, May 11 • 6:30-7:30 p.m.**



### Birding Cienega Creek

Join Jeff Babson on this guided walk to observe the rich birdlife in the diverse habitats of Cienega Creek Natural Preserve as we search for raptors, flycatchers, sparrows, and more. All ages welcome. **Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.** Gabe Zimmerman Davidson Canyon Trailhead at Cienega Creek Natural

Preserve, 16000 E. Marsh Station Rd. 85641

**Tuesday, May 15 • 7:30-9:30 a.m.**

**Tuesday, June 19 • 7:30-9:30 a.m.**

### Monsoon Mysteries

Explore the interesting events that occur during the monsoon, including weather phenomena and how plants and animals respond to them. We also discuss the outlook for this year's monsoon. All ages welcome. **Free. Registration not required.** Wheeler Taft Abbett Sr Library, 7800 N. Schisler Dr. 85743  
**Thursday, May 17 • 1:00-2:00 p.m.**

### Full Moon Wander

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. **Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.** Pima County Feliz Paseos Park, 1600 N. Camino de Oeste 85745  
**Tuesday, May 29 • 7:00-9:00 p.m.**

### Living River of Words Youth Poetry and Art

Local children share their view of the natural world in this exhibition of award winning poetry and mixed media art. All ages welcome. **Free.**  
**April 7 – May 13:** Wheeler Taft Abbett Sr. Library, 7800 N. Schisler Dr. 85743  
**May 15 – June 14:** Martha Cooper Library, 1377 N. Catalina Ave. 85712  
**June 16 – July 23:** Murphy-Wilmot Library, 530 N. Wilmot Rd. 85711

Registration for Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation (NRPR) Activities is online. You may purchase an Annual Tours and Outdoor Activities Membership Pass for significant savings on activity registration fees. Visit [www.pima.gov/nrpr](http://www.pima.gov/nrpr) and click on the Register Now button.

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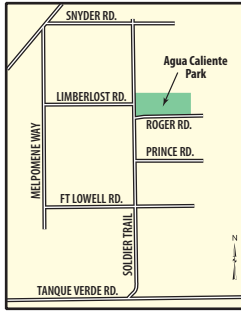
## PARK PROGRAMS

# OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES TOURS • EVENTS

May • June 2018



## AGUA CALIENTE PARK



12325 E. Roger Rd., Tucson 85749  
Park hours: 7:00 a.m.–Sunset  
Agua Caliente Park general information,  
call 520-724-5000

**Online registration:**  
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### Birding Agua Caliente Park

Take a guided walk to see a variety of birds such as warblers, flycatchers, hummingbirds, orioles, and vireos. Loaner binoculars available. All ages welcome. *Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.*

**Every Thursday in May and June • 7:30-9:00 a.m.**

### Nuts about Nature Preschool Hour at Agua Caliente Park

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

**Friday, May 18 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

**Friday, June 15 • 10:30-11:30 a.m.**

### Stargazing Agua Caliente Park

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. *Free. Registration not required.*

**Saturday, May 19 • 7:30-9:30 p.m.**

### Dragons and Damsels of Agua Caliente Park

Discover the world of dragonflies and damselflies on this guided walk, as we explore the diversity, beauty, and behavior of these ancient and remarkable insects. All ages welcome. *Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.*

**Monday, May 21 • 8:00-9:30 a.m.**

### Nature Stories at Agua Caliente Park

Join us outdoors for a nature-themed story hour and art activity. This program is a partnership between Pima County and Tucson Audubon

Society. Children ages 2-5 with an adult companion. *Free.*

**Friday, May 25 • 10:00-11:00 a.m.**

### Saguaros!

Discover the world of saguaros on this short guided walk and indoor presentation. We explore the blossom's beauty, traditional uses by the Tohono O'odham, and saguaro's importance as provider of home, food, and shelter for wildlife. All ages welcome. *Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.*

**Saturday, May 26 • 8:30-10:00 a.m.**

### Introduction to Ethnobotany

Ethnobotany explores the intersection of people and plants. Join us to investigate past and present plant uses, and enjoy tastings of desert and riparian plants like mesquite. Ages 12 and up. *\$10 with Membership, Non-Member \$15 fee. Online registration required.*

**Saturday, June 9 • 8:30-11:00 a.m.**

### Lizards of Agua Caliente Park

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. *Free. Registration not required.*

**Tuesdays, June 12 and June 26 • 7:30-9:00 a.m.**

### Full Moon Wander

Stroll gentle trails with a naturalist under the light of the full moon. Nature reveals another side in the night hours; there's always something to discover. Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes, bring water, and a flashlight. Ages 12 and up. *Free with Membership, Non-Member \$5 fee. Online registration required.*

**Wednesday, June 27 • 7:00-9:00 p.m.**

### Agua Caliente Park Ranch House Gallery

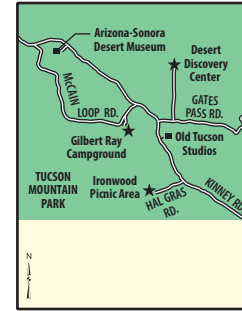
**Hours:** May – October: Tuesday – Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

**April 7 – May 9:** *Wings of the Desert*, Ric Nielsen displays his artwork reflecting the beauty, colors, and patterns of winged desert insects that are sure to bring enjoyment and amazement to all. All ages welcome.

**May 12 – June 13:** *Birds of a Feather*, a visual portrait alphabet of regional birds, painted in acrylic and gesso by artist Wil Taylor. All ages welcome.

**June 16 – July 18:** *Arizona wildlife*, landscapes and flowers portrayed in watercolors and graphite drawings by artist Fiona Lovelock. All ages welcome.

## TUCSON MOUNTAIN PARK



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Tucson Mountain Park general  
information, call 520-724-5000

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### Sonoran Desert Weedwackers

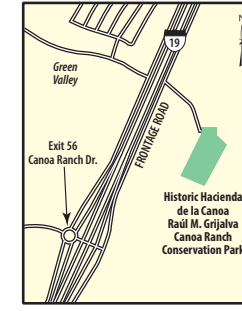
Join the Sonoran Desert Weedwackers to eradicate buffelgrass and fountain grass in Tucson Mountain Park. Work requires hiking and pulling buffelgrass on steep slopes. Meeting locations change frequently. Email [eeducation@pima.gov](mailto:eeducation@pima.gov) for meeting location. Ages 18 and up. *Free.*

**Saturday, May 19 • 7:00-11:00 a.m.**

**Saturday, June 16 • 6:00-10:00 a.m.**



## HISTORIC CANOA RANCH



Raúl M. Grijalva Canoa Ranch  
Conservation Park  
5375 S. I-19 Frontage Road,  
Green Valley, AZ 85614  
Open by Reservation

**Online registration:**  
[www.pima.gov/canoaranch](http://www.pima.gov/canoaranch)  
**Program information**  
**Phone: 520-724-5220**  
**Email: [CanoaRanch@pima.gov](mailto:CanoaRanch@pima.gov)**

### Tour of Historic Canoa Ranch

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. *Free. Online registration required.*

**Tuesdays, May 8 and May 22 • 8:30-10:00 a.m.**

**Saturdays, May 5 and May 19 • 8:30-10:00 a.m.**

**Tuesdays, June 12 and June 26 • 8:30-10:00 a.m.**

**Saturdays, June 2 and June 16 • 8:30-10:00 a.m.**

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**Saturday, June 16 • 1:00-2:00 p.m.**

### Restoration Tour

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. *Free. Online registration required.*

**Wednesday, May 23 • 9:00-10:30 a.m.**

**Wednesday, June 20 • 9:00-10:30 a.m.**

### Anza Tour at Historic Canoa Ranch

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. *Free. Online registration required.*

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**Wednesday, June 20 • 9:00-10:00 a.m.**

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