

Programs and Events January 2019

The 2018 Garden of the Gods Adventure Series is an array of exciting monthly presentations, classes, demonstrations, walks and hikes featuring top naturalists, interpreters, historians and special guests.

Questions? Call (719) 219-0104 or email programs@gardenofgods.com

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Garden of the Gods History Hike

Sunday, January 13, 2018, 11:30 am-1:30 am

\$5 per person, reservations required at www.gardenofgods.com

Come hike through history at the Garden of the Gods! This program will cover a wide variety of time periods including the Ute Indian occupation, early prospectors and settlers, and the original owners of the Park grounds. We will stop by various sites where signs of human occupation are still visible and discuss the various uses of the Garden throughout history. Moderate 2-3 mile hike. Dress for the weather with hiking shoes, and bring a hat, water and sunscreen.



Coffee and Coloring (for grown ups!)

Sunday, January 13, 2019

2:00 pm-4:00 pm

\$5 per person, reservations required at www.gardenofgods.com

Coloring isn't just for kids, it is a great way for adults to relax and be creative. Join us for an afternoon of coloring while savoring a warm beverage from Beansprouts café and enjoying beautiful views of Garden of the Gods. High quality coloring sheets featuring Garden of the Gods, and other local scenes will be included. All supplies provided. This program is for ages 12 and up.



Winter Photography Workshop

Saturday, January 19, 2019, 9:00 am-11:00 am

\$10 per person, reservations required at www.gardenofgods.com

Join local expert hiker and landscape photographer Bob "Hiking Bob" Falcone as he shares his tips and secrets to taking great outdoor pictures during the winter months. Topics covered include: How to protect you and your camera from the elements, looking for good subject matter, working in adverse conditions, and more. Dress for the weather, wear hiking shoes, and bring a daypack with water, snacks, hat, sunscreen, notebook and pencil, and camera or cell phone for taking photos.



Total Lunar Eclipse Viewing

Sunday, January 20, 2019

7:00 pm 11:00 pm

FREE, no reservations required. On Sunday, January 20th there will be a total eclipse of the Moon. Join the Colorado Springs Astronomical Society at the Garden of The Gods Visitor Center in the RV/BUS parking lot from 7 – 11 PM to learn about lunar eclipses, why they don't occur every month, and experience this unique event which will include the opportunity to have views of the Moon and other celestial objects through binoculars and telescopes.



Hike with a Naturalist

Friday, January 25, 2018, 2:30 pm-4:30 pm

\$5 per person, reservations required at www.gardenofgods.com

Join lead naturalist and Operations Administrator, Bret Tennis on a 3 mile hike from the Visitor and Nature Center through the Central Garden. The focus will be on the nature behind the park designation of National Natural Landmark. Bring your questions! Cameras and binoculars welcome. Dress for the weather with hiking shoes, and bring a hat, water and sunscreen.

FREE Presentations

Schedule subject to change, Please call ahead about specific dates.

All programs will be in the Red Rocks Room unless otherwise noted. Questions? Call (719) 219-0108

Day and Date	Time	Program
Daily	10:00 am and 2:00 pm	FREE Guided Nature Walks Schedule subject to change. Weather dependent. Walks start on the Central Garden Trail. Meet at parking lot #2 (North Main Lot) in the park.
Mondays January 7, 21, 28	11:00 am	The Noisy Magpie-A Real Bird Brain What is that black and white bird with the long tail? Join us to learn more about these intelligent birds that have a lot of character. Presented by Carol Wilcox
Tuesdays	11:30 am	Introduction to the Geology of Garden of the Gods Learn about the geology of the Garden of the Gods Park in this fun presentation by Park Interpreter Jennifer Heiny.
Wednesdays	3:00 pm	Introduction to Archeology Learn how ancient cultures are identified by the artifacts they leave behind. Presented by Park Interpreter Andy Rizzo.
Wednesdays January 2, 16, 23, 30	4:00 pm	Rattlesnakesssss Join us to learn about the most dangerous and most misunderstood reptile of the American West. Presented by Jane Gasko
Thursdays	11:30 am	Lost Structures of Garden of the Gods Learn the history and stories of structures that once stood in the park. Presented by Park Interpreters Bowen Gillings and Larry Jones.
Fridays January 11, 18, 25	10:00 am	Preschool Program, Storytime and Craft FREE but reservations required by calling (719) 219-0108. Join us for this fun, free educational program for ages 2-5. Story reading followed by a take home craft.
Fridays	3:00 pm	Mining to Milling Join Park Interpreter, Brook Cruz, to learn about the history of mining and the mills that were in our local area.
Saturdays	10:30 am	Spanish Explorers and the Age of Exploration Join Andy Rizzo, Park Interpreter, to learn more about early Spanish exploration in the Pikes Peak region.
Saturdays January 5, 12, 26	11:30 am	Pikes Peak or Bust: the Gold Rush Come learn about the Colorado Gold Rush of 1859, and about the mining towns that boomed and died as a result. Presented by Paul Roberts
Saturdays	12:45 pm	Bighorn Sheep-Versatile Monarch of the Mountains Join us to learn about Colorado's state mammal while using optics to look for these majestic animals from our deck. Presented by Michelle McMurrey



FREE Weekly Fitness Activities:

Wellness Walk

Wednesdays 9:00 am, Register in person. Meet in the lower lobby.

Gallop in the Garden 5K Fun Run/Walk

Thursdays, 4:00 pm-6:00 pm, Register in person. Meet in the lower lobby.

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