

HASSAYAMPA RIVER PRESERVE MONTHLY PROGRAMS

PARK HOURS:

Summer (5/7 - 10/8)

Wednesday thru Sunday: 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Monday and Tuesday: Closed

Winter (10/9 - 5/6)

Wednesday thru Sunday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Monday and Tuesday: Closed

NATURE CENTER HOURS:

Same as park hours.

ADMIN. OFFICE HOURS:

Same as park hours.

PARK FEES:

\$5 per person day-use entry fee. Children 12 and under are free.

DIRECTIONS:

The Preserve is located 3 miles south of Wickenburg on US Hwy 60 (mp 114). From Phoenix, take Grand Avenue/US 60 north towards Wickenburg. The Preserve entrance is located on the west side of the highway at milepost 114.

WEBSITE:

www.maricopacountyparks.net

OTHER:

No pets allowed.



Maricopa County

Parks and Recreation Department

Hassayampa River Preserve

49614 U.S. Hwy. 60/89

Wickenburg, AZ 85390

(928) 684-2772

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JUNE 2018 PROGRAMS

Guided Bird Walk

Date: 6/2/2018 **Time:** 7:15 a.m.

Description: Did you know that at least 290 species of birds have been found at the Hassayampa River Preserve? Enjoy an easy-paced walk with seasoned birder and bird bander Anne Leight to spot and identify the many resident and migratory birds of the Preserve. Binoculars may be available to borrow. Space is limited. To register, please call the Visitor Center at 928-684-2772.

Core: Animals

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Water Ecology Discovery Station

Date: 6/3/2018 **Time:** 7 a.m.

Description: Come learn about the diverse aquatic ecosystem of the Hassayampa River with a discovery station allowing visitors an up-close view of some of our fish, amphibians, and aquatic insects. Identification guides and informative materials will be available to peruse. The discovery station will be set up from 7:00-9:00am.

Core: Aquatics

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Guided Bird Walk

Date: 6/6/2018 **Time:** 7:15 a.m.

Description: Join Ranger Eric for a guided walk from 7:15-9:15am to look and listen for breeding resident and late spring migrant birds within the diverse desert riparian habitat of the Hassayampa River Preserve. Along the way we will discuss how to identify birds

by sight and sound, and about the behavioral and ecological traits that make them unique. Some binoculars are available to borrow at the Preserve Nature Center. Space is limited. To register, please call the Visitor Center at 928-684-2772.

Core: Animals

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Guided Dragonfly Walk

Date: 6/9/2018 **Time:** 8:30 a.m.

Description: Join Dr. Pierre Deviche from Arizona State University (ASU) for a guided walk to explore the diversity of dragonflies and damselflies of the Hassayampa River. Program will last approximately 2 hours. To register, please call the Visitor Center at 928-684-2772.

Core: Animals

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Creatures of the Night Walk

Date: 6/14/2018 **Time:** 7:45 p.m.

Description: Join Ranger Eric for an easy after-hours walk on the Preserve trails to look for and learn about the nocturnal critters that live here as they awaken from their daytime slumber. Wildlife seen on past walks has included ringtails, foxes, javelinas, owls, scorpions, and other cool creepy crawlies! Program will run from 7:45-9:45pm. Flashlights and blacklights will be provided, but feel free to bring your own. Space is limited, so please contact the Visitor Center at 928-684-2772 to sign up for this event.

Core: Animals

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*Arizona's Wildlife

Date: 6/15/2018 **Time:** 11 a.m.

Description: Arizona gained official statehood 106 years ago, but the state's wildlife has occupied the land for eons. Come learn about our state's highly diverse wildlife as Ranger Eric discusses the unique traits, biogeography, and ecology of the mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish, insects, and other critters that call our state home. To register for this hour-long program, please call the Visitor Center at 928-684-2772. *The County Parks are getting Wet 'n' Wild this summer! Program attendees will be registered for a drawing of 4 free tickets to Wet N' Wild Water Park (a \$170 value!). Contact the Visitor Center for additional details.

Core: Animals

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*Kids Summer Day Camp

Date: 6/18/2018 **Time:** 8 a.m.

Description: The Friends of Hassayampa is sponsoring this year's Kids Summer Day Camp from June 18-22, with daily activities each morning from 8:00-11:30am before the midday heat comes. This camp is geared towards children ages 7-12 years old. Nature Rangers are

encouraged to register! Space is limited. To register and to learn more information, please call the Visitor Center at 928-684-2772 or email erichough@mail.maricopa.gov. *The County Parks are getting Wet 'n' Wild this summer! Program attendees will be registered for a drawing of 4 free tickets to Wet N' Wild Water Park (a \$170 value!). Contact the Preserve Nature Center for additional details.

Core: Outdoor Skills

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Summer Bird ID Challenges

Workshop & Bird Walk

Date: 6/30/2018 **Time:** 7:15 a.m.

Description: Mid-summer is the breeding season for our riparian species and offspring from surrounding Sonoran Desert species produced earlier in the spring wander in for the water and shade during the hot summer weather. With the near arrival of the monsoon season, some birds will initiate nesting or produce additional clutches of young. Not long after the last spring migrants passed through, southbound fall migration commences for waders, shorebirds, hummingbirds, and others. Come learn about some of the common bird ID

challenges we experience in summer during an early morning bird walk followed by an air-conditioned classroom presentation. Space is limited. To register, please call the Visitor Center at 928-684-2772.

Core: Animals

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STAFF:

Park Supervisor: Jessica Bland
Interpretive Ranger: Eric Hough
Administrative Assistant: Mary Larson
Maintenance: Vacant

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MESSAGE FROM THE PARK SUPERVISOR:

Thank you for your continued support and interest in the Hassayampa River Preserve. We realize that you have a choice when it comes to selecting recreation venues and appreciate your business!

Sincerely,

Jessica Bland

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