

RMOWP 2026 Conference

Updated 6-2-2026

Tuesday – Friday, September 29-October 2nd, 2026, Grand Junction, Colorado
Meals, Meeting, and Workshops at Clarion Inn, 755 Horizon Dr, Grand Junction, CO 81506

Tuesday, September 29

2 pm – 4 pm Board of Directors Meeting (Open to All Members)
6 pm – 7 pm Registration & Opening Reception, Happy Hour, Light Buffet
7 pm - Opening Welcome, Presentation of Contest Submissions

Wednesday, September 30

7:30 am – 9 am Bird Banding with Cary Atwood - Grand Valley Audubon Society
11 am – 11:30 am General Membership Meeting
11:30 am – 12:30 am RMOWP - Anne Sullivan Writers' Forum – Moderator Clare Gutierrez
12:30 pm – 1 pm Lunch – Meeting Room (Deli Meat & Vegetable Trays)
1 pm – 2:30 pm Publishing For Outdoor Writing – Bill Haggerty
2:45 pm – 3:15 pm Santa Clara Ranch – Dan Bernskoetter, Frank Zurey Beto Gutierrez
3:30 pm – 6 pm Dinner On Your Own
6pm - Colorado National Monument – Sunset and Moonrise (Welcome Center Fruita, CO Entrance) Sunset 7 pm, 90% Full Moonrise 9:12 pm

Thursday, October 1

8 am – 10 am Guided Bird Walk with Logan Wagner, Grand Valley Audubon Society
11 am – 12:30 am Journaling in the Backcountry: How to Capture Your Experience – Melody Jones (President Western Colorado Writers' Forum)
12:30 pm – 1 pm Lunch – Meeting Room (Deli Meat & Vegetable Trays)
1 pm – 2:30 pm RMOWP - Photo Critique with Fred Lord and Dan Bernskoetter
2:30 pm – 4 pm The Magic of Taking Photos – Andy Bowen (Above Alpine Photography)
6 pm – 7 pm Dinner – Meeting Room (Mexican Food Buffet)
7 pm - Member Auction

Friday, October 2

8:30 am – 10 am Desert to Delta : Storytelling Tips from the Journey to Africa's Last Eden - Joe Casias and Ada Andrews (RMOWP Members)
11:30 am – 12 pm Setup at Grand Junction Library – “Capturing the Outdoors” – RMOWP Photography and Writing Showcase
Grand Junction Library – 443 North 6th Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501
12 pm – 5 pm Grand Junction Library – “Capturing the Outdoors” – RMOWP Photography and Writing Showcase (For members who are not participating in the library showcase, this afternoon is yours to enjoy.)
6:30 pm – 7 pm Happy Hour – Meeting Room
7 pm – Banquet – Dinner (BBQ Buffet) – Awards Presentation & Awards