

Mueller State Park Programs



May 2019

Always hike with a map, water, and weather protection!

Saturday, May 11th

Bird Walk

8:30 am Meet at Elk Meadow Trailhead

Spring migration is happening! Come see what summer residents have returned for the breeding season. Slow paced, 2-mile walk. Led by Naturalist Craig.

Saturday, June 18th

Hike: Cheesman Ranch

8:30 am Meet at Grouse Mountain Trailhead

Learn about the rich history of Mueller State Park as you see the sights, breathe in the mountain air and look for wildlife and wildflowers. Visit the many structures of the Cheesman Ranch, the best-preserved historical buildings in the park. Naturalist Cindi will guide you on this 5-mile long but moderate trail. Bring plenty of water and a snack!

Saturday, May 25th

Bird Walk

8:30 am Meet at Elk Meadow Trailhead

Spring migration is happening! Come see what summer residents have returned for the breeding season. Slow paced, 2-mile walk. Led by Naturalist Craig.

Hike: Rock Pond Trail

8:30 am Meet at the Visitor Center parking lot

One of our favorite trails year round. 5-miles, 600 feet elevation change, to Rock Pond and Canyon, moderate to difficult due to elevation. Led by Volunteer Naturalist Cindi. Dress for the weather, and bring water and snacks.

Mammals of Colorado – Touch Table

1:00 – 2:00 pm At the Visitor Center

Learn about the mammals that live in Colorado - hands-on with our collection of furs! Led by Naturalist Kyle.

Sunday, May 26th

Wapiti Nature Trail Walk

9:00 am Meet at the Wapiti Trailhead

Explore the ecology of Mueller State Park on the Nature Trail with Naturalist Michelle. Slow-paced 1 mile walk.

Tree Detectives Touch Table

2:00-3:00 pm at the Visitor Center

Discover the trees of Mueller with hands-on examples of leaves, needles and cones. Also, learn what clues the trees can tell in their hidden life story! Led by Naturalists Michelle and Kyle.

Monday, May 27th

School Pond Hike

9:00 am Meet at School Pond Trailhead

Join Naturalist Michelle on a moderate, 2-mile hike on School Pond loop. Watch for signs of spring wildflowers and birds!

Wednesday, May 29th

Ecology Hike

9:00 am Meet at Wapiti Trailhead

Discover how the plants and animals at survive in this habitat by exploring the ecology of the park on this gentle 1-mile trail. Led by Naturalist Kyle.

Thursday, May 30th

Amphitheater: Prehistoric Man in the Pikes Peak Region

8:00 pm The Pikes Peak Region has a rich geologic and human history.

This presentation explores the geologic history that formed the Pikes Peak Region, the migration of the Ice Age people from Asia, and the tools and culture of the Neo-American developed to survive and evolve into Native Americans of the Pikes Peak Region. Naturalist Paul presents a series of historical programs every Thursday! From this earliest time, through the different people and events that shaped the Pikes Peak region, to modern times. Don't miss this fascinating story weekly! Dress warm and bring a blanket!

Friday, May 31st

Hike: Cheesman Ranch

8:30 am Meet at Grouse Mountain Trailhead

Explore the Cheesman Ranch, where the Mueller family ran their cattle operation. Join Cindi on a moderate 5-mile loop past the historic remains of the ranch with views of Pikes Peak. Bring plenty of water and a snack.

Sights and Sounds Hike

9:00-11:00 am Meet at the Visitor Center Patio

Join Naturalist Jim in search of the small and beautiful Calypso Orchid and listening for the echoing song of the migratory Hermit Thrush! 1-mile slow hike.

Peak View Pond Hike

1:00 pm Meet at Elk Meadow trailhead

Join Naturalist Kyle on a 1.5-mile hike through the forest to Peak View Pond. Watch for signs of spring!

Amphitheater: Birds of Mueller State Park

8:00 pm Mueller State Park is home to well over 100 species of birds! The

conifer and aspen forests, grassy meadows and quiet ponds offer great habitat for our feathered friends! Learn about just a few of these amazing birds and their unique adaptations to survive. Dress warm and bring a blanket! Led by Naturalist Linda.

SAVE THE DATE - June 22, 2019

Outdoor Skills Day – 10 am to 3 pm

Do not miss this annual event – activities for the whole family! Including: fishing, fly-fishing, target shooting with shotguns, 22's, archery, camping, Bear Aware, and much more! All activities are free – vehicle park pass is required.

