#### COLORADO PARKS & WILDLIFE

# Mueller State Park Programs



Programs happen rain, snow, or shine unless posted otherwise.

**February Park Programs 2025** 

#### Tip of the month:

Groomed trails are for cross country skiers, skate skiers, snowshoers, fat bikers, and hikers! Please be respectful and only use the side of the trail with ski tracks for traditional cross country skiing.

### Saturday, Feb. 8: Beavers-Wood You Be Mine! 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. At the Visitor Center

Discover the amazing lives of beavers and how they survive the winter. Then create your very own beaver themed valentine to give to a loved one next week. 30 minutes will be spent on discovery and 1 hour for the craft. All ages are welcome.

#### Sunday, Feb. 9: Tracks on the Trails 12:00-1:00 p.m. Meet at the Visitor Center

Ever search for animal tracks in the snow? Winter is one of the best times to find animal tracks because they are easy to see. Discover how to identify different kinds of Colorado native tracks. Then test your new knowledge out on the trails. Geared toward ages 12 and under with their guardians, but all are welcome.

# Saturday, Feb. 15: Intro to Classical XCountry Skiing 1:00 - 2:15 p.m. Meet at Black Bear trailhead

Looking for a fun post Valentine's Day activity to do with loved ones? Learn the basic form and techniques of classical cross-country skiing that will set you in motion. Use Mueller's traditional ski tracks to practice on the trail. Bring water and a small snack. This is for beginners of all ages so the distance will not be far. You'll need your own set of skis, poles and boots. Rental Suggestions: Mountain Chalet or REI in Colorado Springs. There are no restrooms at the trailhead, so stop by the Visitor Center in advance if needed.

## Friday, Feb. 21: Nature Crafts 2:00-3:00 p.m. At the Visitor Center

Make cool things with help from Mother Nature. Use natural items to create works of art. For all artistic levels. Ages 3 and up.

# Sunday, Feb. 23: Junior Naturalist-Winter Detectives #3 (registration required)

#### 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. At the Visitor Center

This is the final program of this Junior Winter Naturalist series. Winter is heading to an end with the Spring Equinox around the bend. How are things changing? What are clues to discover who and what will soon be waking up from a long winter's slumber? All are welcome even if you haven't made it to the other programs in the series. Come prepared to be outside for part of the program! Please register by calling the Visitor Center at 719-687-2366.

### Tuesday, Feb. 25: Nature Journaling Workshop (registration required)

#### 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. At the Visitor Center auditorium

This is a guided adventure led by Debbie, Certified Interpretive Guide and Naturalist Instructor at Pikes Peak State College. In this workshop you will discover the history, science and art of observing nature and recording observations. Nature journaling helps us reflect and expand our perspectives of the natural world around us and our place within it. All materials will be provided for you; you are welcome to bring your own journal if you'd prefer. Come prepared for a short hike, sitting outdoors for a short period of time (some chairs will be available), and changing weather. Ages 16+. To register, call the Visitor Center at 719-687-2366 or online.

