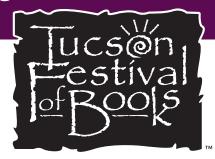
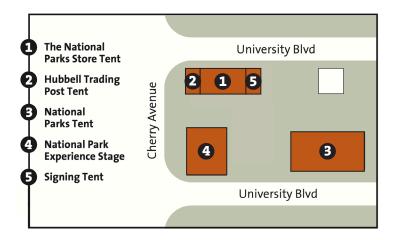
Start Your Adventure at The National Park Experience Pavilion at the



March 9 & 10 | 9:30 AM-5:30 PM



The National Park Experience Pavilion

Things to Do

National Park Experience Stage

Engage in panels and presentations about travel, nature, conservation, history, and our national parks.

National Park Experience Stage Signing Tent

Authors are available to sign their books in the Signing Tent after each presentation.

The National Parks Tent

Meet park rangers and other representatives from dozens of national parks and public land organizations. Learn about the parks, how to visit them, win prizes, and more!

WNPA Table

Learn all about WNPA including our volunteer program, the Junior Ranger Jamboree, and our work with the National Park Service. Find us facing the UA Mall inside the National Parks Tent.

Junior Ranger Jamboree

Young explorers can become a Junior Ranger by joining the Junior Ranger Jamboree! Kids can interact with park rangers, learn more about the parks, and win a prize! Visit the WNPA table to get started.

Hubbell Trading Post Tent

Explore and shop authentic Navajo rugs and jewelry from Hubbell Trading Post, the oldest continuously operating trading post in the American Southwest.

The National Parks Store Tent

Purchase our presenting authors' books, national park collectibles, and WNPA's exclusive "Park Protector" shirt here.

About WNPA

WNPA helps make the national park experience possible for everyone. As a nonprofit education partner of the National Park Service, WNPA supports parks across the West by developing products, services, and programs that enhance the visitor experience, understanding, and appreciation of national parks. Since 1938 WNPA has worked to connect new generations to parks in meaningful ways, all with one simple goal: create advocates who want to preserve and protect these special places for everyone, for all time.

Learn more at wnpa.org/TFOB





How can you help national parks?

Help support WNPA's mission to advance education, interpretation, research, and community engagement to ensure national parks are increasingly valued by all.

Shop

Visit one of more than 70 park stores located in our partner parks across 12 Western states; The National Parks Store in Oro Valley, Arizona; or our online store at store.wnpa.org. Your purchases support parks!

Give

Your donations ensure that our partner parks, regardless of size, are able to enhance the visitors' experience, understanding, and appreciation of national parks. Donate at the WNPA table inside the National Parks Tent or online at wnpa.org/donate.

Volunteer

Volunteers are an essential part of WNPA operations. Learn more at the WNPA table inside the National Parks Tent or find a list of opportunities at The National Parks Store, our partner parks, or the volunteer application online at wnpa.org/volunteer.

Panels and Presentations

Join WNPA for a weekend of panels and presentations about travel, nature, conservation, history, and, of course, our national parks. Presenting authors at the National Parks Experience Stage will be available for signing at the Signing Tent after their presentation. All books are available for purchase in The National Parks Store Tent.

Saturday, March 9

10:00–11:00 | Unearthing Legacies

Melissa L. Sevigny, Shelby Tisdale

Embark on a captivating journey as you hear the authors tell two remarkable stories. Discover the trailblazing life of Marjorie Ferguson Lambert, a pioneer in Southwestern archaeology, and then brace yourself for the daring 1938 expedition of botanists Elzada Clover and Lois Jotter as they braved the treacherous Colorado River. Learn about these adventures and the resilience of these women who helped shape the American West.

11:30–12:30 | Woven Threads of Time: The Story of Hubbell Trading Post

Wallace James Jr

Join Navajo trader Wallace James Jr as he shares the history and heritage of Hubbell Trading Post, the oldest continuously operated trading post in the American Southwest. Learn about beautiful Navajo rugs and how the threads of time, trade, and art are interlaced.

1:00–2:00 | Restoring Indigenous Heritage

Daisy Ocampo, Jared Orsi

Join these two insightful authors for a profound discussion as they explore the preservation of the land and its people. Discover the connection between ecological sustainability, spiritual landscapes, and community well-being in a conversation that reaches beyond the border of time and tradition.

2:30-3:30 | The Road to Resilience

David Gessner, Ben Goldfarb, David Lipsky

What does the future hold? This compelling discussion will reflect on our past and envision our future. Trace the evolution of climate denial, explore climate hotspots, and travel the roads that have transformed our planet. Learn more about where we have been and where are we heading.

4:00–5:00 | Nature's Revival

A. Thomas Cole, Curtis H. Freese

Have you ever wondered how you can help the environment? Listen as these two remarkable individuals, dedicated to ecosystem restoration, share their experiences and inspiration for renewing unique habitats. Discover how we can all contribute to a sustainable and thriving future.

Sunday, March 10

10:00–11:00 | Tales from the Trail

Suzanne Roberts, Tom Zoellner

Explore the profound journey of these two authors as they share tales of inspiration, contemplation, and realization. Discover how the trails they traveled became more than a physical experience, but a symbolic connection on a path to greater understanding.

11:30–12:30 | Woven Threads of Time: The Story of Hubbell Trading Post

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1:00–2:00 | Exploring Nature's Pathways

Ben Goldfarb, Robert Searns

Join these two authors as they discuss safe passages at the intersection of people and wildlife. Explore the importance of preserving migration routes for animals and creating safe, pleasant walking spaces for communities. Hear about innovative solutions and learn how to take a step in the right direction for a better future for all living beings.

2:30–3:30| Redefining the American West

Sara Dant, Betsy Gaines Quammen

Gain a deeper understanding of the real American West with these two knowledgeable authors. They will debunk myths and discuss the region's history while giving us insight into the relationship between the land and its people.

4:00-5:00 | High School Essay Contest

What can the National Park Service do to ensure national parks are inclusive, accessible, and relevant? Listen as local high school students passionately share their insightful essays on how the National Park Service can foster inclusivity, accessibility, and relevance in our cherished national parks. Be inspired by the next generation's perspectives on helping make the national park experience possible for everyone.

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