

Nature

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Living Desert Zoo and Gardens State Park

— 1504 Miehs Drive N., Carlsbad, N.M. Admission: \$5 (\$3 ages 7-12; free for 6 and under). Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily (last entry at 3:30 p.m.). Information: (575) 887-5516. A Sweetheart Serenade is 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 3**, featuring Cavernaires Barbershop Chorus.

New Mexico State Parks — Day fee is \$5 at any state park. All programs are free with park entrance, unless otherwise listed. Information: (575) 744-5998 or nmparks.com.

- Oliver Lee State Park, Highway 54 south of Alamogordo at the Dog Canyon turnoff. Information: (575) 437-8284.

- Orion or Osiris night sky viewing is 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 17**.

- Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park. 5000 Calle del Norte in Mesilla. Information: (575) 523-4398.

Audubon Bird Walks are 7:15 a.m. Saturdays, led by park volunteers. Ranger-led Nature Hikes are 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Fitness in Nature walks with the Second Chance Walker Program are 8:30 a.m. every Saturday beginning at the Visitor Center.

- Leasburg Dam — 12712 State Park Road in Radium Springs, two miles off Interstate 25 at Exit 19. Hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. for day use. Information: (575) 524-4068.

Black History Month celebrations are 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 3 and Feb. 17**, and Wednesday, **Feb. 7 and 28**, and with guide hikes and presentation on Buffalo Soldiers.

- Percha Dam State Park, 60 miles north of Las Cruces on Interstate 25. Information: (575) 743-3942.

World Wetlands Day presentation is 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, **Feb. 3**.

Star Program is 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 17**, meeting in the Stallion campsite parking lot.

- Caballo Lake State Park, 60 miles north of Las Cruces on I-25. Information: (575) 527-8386. World Wetlands Day presentation is 11 a.m. to noon Saturday, **Feb. 3**. Star program 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 17**.

Camping fees at state parks are \$8 for primitive site; \$10 for developed site (electrical hookup \$4 extra).

Gila Cliff Dwellings National Monument

— 44 miles north of Silver City on NM Highway 15 in the middle of the majestic Gila Wilderness, the first and one of the largest wilderness areas. Entrance fee: \$5 per person; \$10 per family. Information: (575) 536-9461 or nps.gov/gicl.

The trail to the cliff dwellings is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. year-round. Everyone must be off the trail by 5 p.m. Visitor center is open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Alameda Park Zoo — Alameda Park, 1321 North White Sands Blvd. (U.S. 54/70), Alamogordo. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Admission: \$2.50 (\$1.50 ages 3-11 and 60 and older; free for ages 2 and younger). Information: (575) 439-4290.

Dripping Springs Natural Area — The recreational area, part of the Organ Mountain-Desert Peaks National Monument, is at the base of the Organ Mountains at the end of Dripping Springs Road (the eastern extension of University Avenue), about 10 miles east of Las Cruces. Gates open 7 a.m. to sunset April through October and 8 a.m. to sunset November through March. Admission: \$5 per vehicle. Leashed pets allowed on some trails. Information: (575) 522-1219.



Centennial Museum — University at Wiggins, UTEP. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4:30 Monday through Saturday. Admission is free. Information: 747-6667 or museum.utep.edu.

Showing **through May 19**: “Aliento a Tequila,” an art exhibition by El Paso-born and Austin-based photographer Joel Salcido. Salcido, a borderland native, revels in capturing “tales of conquest and defeat.” His previous media work as a staff photographer for the El Paso Times, as well as a correspondent for USA Today, has allowed him to strikingly document subjects such as the 1985 Mexico City earthquake and the Tarahumara Indians of Mexico. His new book, “The Spirit of Tequila,” was released in fall 2017.

The Lhakhang Cultural Exhibit is open to the public for viewing 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Wednesday, and 1 to 4:30 p.m. the first Sunday of the month. A museum representative will be on hand to answer questions.

El Paso Holocaust Museum and Study Center — 715 N. Oregon. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Admission is free unless listed otherwise; donations welcome. Information: 351-0048 or elpasoholocaustmuseum.org.

El Paso Museum of Archaeology — 4301 Transmountain in Northeast El Paso (west of U.S. 54). Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Admission is free. Information: 755-4332 or elpasotexas.gov/arch_museum/.

Showing **through Feb. 24**:

- “Pensamientos: Visions on Canvas,” showcases the art of Maria Ibarra. Ibarra, a descendant of the Rarámuri (Tarahumara) people.

- “Railroad Era Pottery: The Tourist Trade Comes to Isleta Pueblo,” from the collection of Albert Alvidrez.

A lecture on “Chilies and Cuisines in the Ancient Southwest and Northwest Mexico” by Dr. Paul Minnis is 2 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 3**, as part of the museum’s 2018 lecture series.

El Paso Museum of History — 510 N. Santa Fe. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday (open until 9 p.m. Thursdays), and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Museum admission is free. Information: 212-0320 or elpasotexas.gov/history.

Showing **through Feb. 18**: “First Steps: A Commemoration of St. Patrick Cathedral and Cathedral High School.”

“History on the Run: A Walking Tour following the Motorist Green Book of El Paso, Tx” is 2 p.m. Sunday, **Feb. 11**.

The museum will take part in a “Heart Bomb” event all day Wednesday, **Feb. 14**, in which people leave “heart bombs,” love letters to historic places at their favorite safe or threatened historic site in the city. Participation is free.

A “Personal Past: Most Embarrassing Confessions” event, where five local celebrities recount their most embarrassing moments, is 7 p.m. Thursday, **Feb. 15**. Attendees can vote on favorite confession by leaving a donation in each confessor’s box. Proceeds benefit the museum.

The museum offers “Free the Yoga” classes noon Tuesdays **through April 24**, and at 6 p.m. Thursday, **Feb. 1**. All levels welcome. Information: hello@freetheyoga.com.

Los Portales Museum and Visitor Center — 1521 San Elizario Road. Hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday,

noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. Information: 851-1682.

Magoffin Home State Historic Site

— 1120 Magoffin. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday; noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Visitor Center is at 1117 Magoffin; closed Sunday. Tours on the hour; last tour at 4 p.m. Spanish language tours offered Thursday through Saturday; call for availability. Cost: \$7 (\$6 seniors 65 and older; \$4 ages 6-18; free ages 5 and younger). Family and group rates available. Admission is free to Visitor Center. Information: 533-5147, visitmagoffinhome.com or Facebook.

- Fudge Cooking Class is 10 a.m. Saturday, **Feb. 3**.

- Yoga with Rebecca Hendricks is 10 a.m. Saturday, **Feb. 17**.

- Victorian Sci-Fi Book and Tea Club is 2 p.m. Saturday, **Feb. 17**.

National Border Patrol Museum and Memorial Library

— 4315 Transmountain Drive. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Closed Sunday, Monday and major holidays. Admission is free. Information: 759-6060 or borderpatrolmuseum.com.

San Elizario Veterans Museum and Memorial Walk

— 1501-B Main Street in San Elizario. Hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. Information: Ann Lara, 345-3741 or Ray Borrego, 383-8529.

Tigua Indian Cultural Center — 305 Yaya Lane, at Socorro Road east of the Ysleta Mission. The center features a museum on the Tigua tribe, offering a glimpse of five centuries of Pueblo history and tradition. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Free children’s activities daily. Admission is free. Information: 859-7700, ysletadelsurpueblo.org.

War Eagles Air Museum — 8012 Airport Road, Doña Ana County Airport, Santa Teresa. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. Admission: \$5; \$4 senior citizens and military; free for children under 12. Information: (575) 589-2000 or war-eagles-air-museum.com.

Las Cruces area

Branigan Cultural Center — Branigan Building, 501 N. Main, (Downtown Mall) Las Cruces. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (until 8 p.m. Thursday); 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday. Information: (575) 541-2154, las-cruces.org/museums or on Facebook.

Showing **through March 10**: “MakeShift” by Lxs Dos, consisting of Ramon and Christian Cardena. The husband-and-wife artists illustrate the region through a series of photographs, paintings, posters, and an installation.

Showing **through March 17**: “What’s Your Las Cruces?” an interactive community engagement exhibit. Visitors may share Las Cruces photos, stories, and more through questions posed at different stations.

Las Cruces Museum of Nature and Science — 411 N. Main in the Las Cruces Downtown Mall. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (until 8 p.m.

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