WALKS + HIKES

# **APRIL-NOVEMBER 2013**

From birds, to wildflowers, to water bugs for kids, there are endless ways to get outside and explore your Land Trust protected lands! Join us today . . .



## WALKS + HIKES GET TO KNOW YOUR PROTECTED LANDS

Join the Deschutes Land Trust for a naturalist-led walk or hike! From birds to butterflies, volunteer leaders help you explore the nature of your Land Trust protected lands. Browse our walks and hikes by topic here. Then, go online for full descriptions, difficulty ratings, registration, and outings listed by date: deschuteslandtrust.org

## ABOUT OUR WALKS +/HIKES

**Registration:** All walks and hikes are free. Group size is small to limit impact on our Preserves and give you the best experience possible. **Registration for each outing opens 1 month prior** to the outing and can be done online any time of day or night. Once you register, detailed directions for the outing will be provided.

Wait lists: Each outing offers a wait list for use in case of cancellations. We highly recommend that you add yourself to wait lists as we regularly fill hikes from these lists.

## BIRD WALKS + HIKES

Bird walks explore meadows, canyons and forests at a slower pace to watch songbirds and raptors alike. Our beginning birding walk is a great way to get into the world of birding.

BEGINNING BIRDING CAMP POLK MEADOW April 20, 9-11am, Carol Wall

INDIAN FORD MEADOW April 23, 8:30-10:30am, Carol Wall

METOLIUS PRESERVE April 27, 9am-12pm, Bill Mitchell

CAMP POLK MEADOW April 30, 8-11am, Carol Wall

INDIAN FORD MEADOW May 4, 8:30-10:30am, Carol Wall

#### CAMP POLK MEADOW

May 7, 8-11am, Carol Wall Watch spring migrations unfold on Land Trust bird walks! Join us for one walk or several, and see what birds arrive as the season progresses. Walks will explore forests, meadows, and streams and provide opportunities to learn more about our colorful, seasonal visitors. SKYLINE FOREST May 11, 9am-2pm, Bill Mitchell

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INDIAN FORD MEADOW May 14, 8:30-10:30am, Carol Wall

CAMP POLK MEADOW May 25, 8-11am, Carol Wall

SPRING CREEK June 1, 8-11ат, Bill Mitchell

CAMP POLK MEADOW June 15, 8-11am, Bill Mitchell

METOLIUS PRESERVE August 3, 9am-12pm, Bill Mitchell

SPRING CREEK October 5, 8-11am, Bill Mitchell



### **MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDES**

See what mountain biking was like before Phil's Trail became the mecca it is. Skyline Forest rides include a mix of single track and old roads, but are considered challenging because of loose sandy soils and obstacles such as rocks and logs.

BUTTERFLY WALKS

Join local butterfly experts for a meandering, warm summer walk to explore the delicate world of butterflies who puddle and swirl, and need a variety of plants for hosts and nectars.

METOLIUS PRESERVE June 14, 10am-12pm, Amanda Egertson

METOLIUS PRESERVE July 19, 10am-12pm, Amanda Egertson

KIDS' BUTTERFLY WALK METOLIUS PRESERVE July 27, 10am-1pm, Sue Anderson

KIDS' BUTTERFLY WALK METOLIUS PRESERVE August 2, 10am-1pm, Sue Anderson



Skyline Forest May 29, 5:30-8:30pm, Kirin Stryker

May 15, 5:30-8:30pm, Kirin Stryker

**SKYLINE FOREST** 

SKYLINE FOREST June 8, 9:30am-12:30pm, Bob Woodward

**SKYLINE FOREST October 16,** 2-5pm, Brad Chalfant

See page 7 for Kids' Mountain Biking!



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## CONSERVATION HIKES + A PADDLE

Dig deeper into the conservation and ecology of Land Trust protected lands. Walk a recent restoration project, hike with an ecologist, see first-hand how conservation works in the field.

## WILDFLOWER WALKS + HIKES

From early spring bitterroot to mid-summer lilies, hike your way through wildflower season and see the diverse array of native plants that Central Oregon has to offer.

FISH HIKE CAMP POLK MEADOW May 10, 9am-12pm, Rod Bonacker

FOREST ECOLOGY HIKE METOLIUS PRESERVE May 18, 9:30am-2pm, Paul Edgerton

Forest Restoration Walk Whychus Canyon June 7, 9:30am-12pm, Amanda Egertson

CREEK RESTORATION WALK CAMP POLK MEADOW June 12, 9am-12pm, Jane Meissner

Forests + Fire Hike Skyline Forest July 17, 9am-1pm, Jane Meissner

FOREST RESTORATION HIKE METOLIUS PRESERVE August 10, 9am-2pm, Jane Meissner CREEK RESTORATION WALK CAMP POLK MEADOW August 24, 9am-12pm, Paul Edgerton

**THOMAS PRESERVE PADDLE September 12,** 9am-2pm, Ashley Burry-Trice



ALDER SPRINGS April 26, 10am-2pm, David Miller

Mother's Day Wildflower Brunch

RIMROCK RANCH May 12, 10am-1pm, Mary Crow Treat your mom to a Mother's Day Hike and Brunch at stunning Rimrock Ranch! Join naturalist Mary Crow for a wildflower hike featuring the early spring blooms of the high desert. Then, enjoy a Brunch next to Whychus Creek prepared by Rimrock hosts Bob and Gayle Baker. This is one Mom's Day Brunch not to miss!

WHYCHUS CANYON May 24, 9am-1pm, Jane Meissner

**Wнусниз Canyon** June 1, 9am-2pm, Jane Meissner COFFER RANCH June 6, 8:30am-1:30pm, Mary Crow

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WHYCHUS CANYON June 8, 9am-2pm, David Miller

CAMP POLK MEADOW June 14, 10am-12pm, Mary Crow

WHYCHUS CANYON June 21, 9am-1pm, Jane Meissner

RIMROCK RANCH June 22, 9am-1pm, David Miller

METOLIUS PRESERVE June 28, 9am-2pm, Jane Meissner

FLOWERS + FOREST ECOLOGY METOLIUS PRESERVE July 6, 9:30am-2pm, Paul Edgerton

SPRING CREEK July 13, 8:30-11:30am, David Miller

METOLIUS PRESERVE July 26, 9am-1pm, David Miller

## FALL COLOR WALKS + HIKES

Revel in the yellows of aspen and the reds of maple and willow on these fall hikes at colorful Land Trust protected lands.

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GEOLOGY WALKS + HIKES

Hike canyons and creeks in search of the basalts, grabens, and pyroclastic features that make Central Oregon unique.

SKYLINE FOREST October 6, 10am-1:30pm, Karen Parker

**Rimrock Rancн October 17,** 10am-2pm, Mary Crow

METOLIUS PRESERVE October 19, 10am-2pm, Jane Meissner

BULL SPRINGS SKYLINE FOREST October 23, 10am-1pm, Carol Wall **Summit Loop Hike** Smith Rock State Park **April 6,** 9am-3pm, Daniele McKay

ALDER SPRINGS HIKE April 16, 10am-1pm, Janet Brown

ALDER SPRINGS TO CONFLUENCE HIKE May 3, 9am-3pm, Daniele McKay

**Wнусниз Canyon Ніке May 27,** 9am-2pm, Daniele McKay

RIMROCK RANCH HIKE June 30, 9am-12pm, Daniele McKay VOLCANO HIKE Skyline Forest August 4, 5-8pm, Daniele McKay

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WHYCHUS CANYON WALK September 9, 9:30am-12:30pm, Janet Brown

ALDER SPRINGS HIKE September 27, 9am-1pm, Janet Brown

Summit Loop Hike Smith Rock State Park October 26, 9am-3pm, Derek Loeb

### **EXPLORATORY HIKES**

Interested in digging into a new place on a longer hike? Explore the canyons, creeks, and crags of these scenic lands.

## JUST FOR KIDS + FAMILIES

Round up your kids and join the Land Trust to explore the world of birds, bugs, and butterflies! Hands-on activities and kid-length hikes make these outings perfect for kids with a grownup in tow.

WHYCHUS CANYON April 13, 9am-1pm, Bill Mitchell

EARTH DAY Whychus Canyon April 22, 10am-2pm, Mary Crow

NATURE WALK CAMP POLK MEADOW April 27, 10am-12pm, Martha Lussenhop

WHYCHUS CANYON April 28, 10am-1pm, Mary Cro

ALDER SPRINGS TO THE CONFLUENCE May 18, 9am-3pm, Jane Meissner

MILL TO SPRINGS SKYLINE FOREST May 18, 9am-3pm, Leslie Olson

**Rimrock Rancн May 23,** 9am-1pm, Mary Crow

METOLIUS PRESERVE HIKE June 10, 9am-12:30pm, Carol Wall

NATURE WALK CAMP POLK MEADOW June 29, 9am-12pm, David Miller

NATURE MEDITATION WALK INDIAN FORD MEADOW July 10, 7-8:30pm, Maret Pajutee FIRE + ICE HIKE METOLIUS PRESERVE July 11, 8am-4pm, Daniele McKay

SNAG SPRINGS + JUNIPER POINT SKYLINE FOREST July 12, 9am-3pm, Jane Meissner

LAKE CREEK TRAIL METOLIUS PRESERVE July 20, 9am-1pm, Carol Wall

Bull + Snag Springs Skyline Forest July 27, 9am-3pm, Jane Meissner

NATURE MEDITATION WALK INDIAN FORD MEADOW August 7, 6:30-8pm, Maret Pajutee

LAKE CREEK TRAIL METOLIUS PRESERVE August 17, 9am-1pm, David Miller

**NATURE WALK** CAMP POLK MEADOW **September 14**, 9-11am, Martha Lussenhop

METOLIUS PRESERVE September 16, 9am-2pm, Paul Edgerton

**Riмrock Rancн September 21,** 9am-1pm, Mary Crow BIRD WALK: MAMAS + BABIES CAMP POLK MEADOW May 4, 10am-12pm, Mary Yanalcanlin

Birds, Bees, + Bugs Indian Ford Meadow May 18, 9-11am, Norma Funai

MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDE METOLIUS PRESERVE June 15, 10am-12pm, Kirin Stryker

WATER WONDERS CAMP POLK MEADOW June 19, 10:30am-12pm, Ashley Burry-Trice

**SKYLINE FOREST HIKE** June 26, 9am-12pm, Karen Parker

BIRD WALK METOLIUS PRESERVE June 29, 10am-12pm, Mary Yanalcanlin

ANIMAL SIGNS METOLIUS PRESERVE July 20, 9-10:30am, Kelly Madden

#### Water Wonders Metolius Preserve

July 24, 10:30am-12pm, Ashley Burry-Trice Get your feet wet on a summer exploration of the world of water! Explore the Metolius Preserve's Lake Creek in search of water striders, caddis flies, backswimmers, and other critters that are important indicators of water quality. TRANSFORMERS CAMP POLK MEADOW August 14, 9-11:30am, Karen Parker

WATER WONDERS METOLIUS PRESERVE August 21, 10:30am-12pm, Ashley Burry-Trice

BIRD WALK: EQUINOX EXPLORATION CAMP POLK MEADOW September 21, 10am-12pm, Mary Yanalcanlin

FAIRY HOUSES METOLIUS PRESERVE October 5, 10am-11:30am, Kelly Madden





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## **HISTORY WALKS + HIKES**

History is alive and well in Central Oregon! Learn stories of longforgotten places while you walk in the footsteps of those before us.

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LUMBER MILLS + CANALS Skyline Forest April 20, 9am-12pm, Leslie Olson

Santiam Wagon Road Whychus Canyon May 28, 9am-12pm, Carol Wall

HISTORY HIKE Skyline Forest June 18, 9am-3pm, Leslie Olson

HISTORY + FLOWERS SKYLINE FOREST July 6, 9am-2pm, Leslie Olson HISTORIC LUMBER MILLS SKYLINE FOREST September 14, 9am-12pm, Leslie Olson

**Ніstory Ніке** Whychus Canyon **September 20,** 9am-2pm, Jane Meissner

HISTORY WALK CAMP POLK MEADOW October 19, 9am-12pm, Leslie Olsor

Halloween Ghosts Camp Polk Meadow October 31, 3-5pm, Carol Wall

### **NIGHT ADVENTURES**

Enjoy warm summer evenings in nature! From bats and owls to full moons and stars, get outside and soak in the darkness.

#### Full Moon Hike Rimrock Ranch

**April 24,** 7:30-10:30pm, Mary Crow

BAT + OWL NIGHT RIMROCK RANCH July 26, 8-TOPM, Tom Rodhouse

A Land Trust tradition! Ecologist Tom Rodhouse and naturalist Jim Anderson play host to an evening full of yarns and creatures that fly at night. Get up-close with your local bats, hear the call of owls, and learn more about their conservation.

### **Star Party** Rimrock Ranch

August 3, 8-11pm, Jim Hammond

Star Party Rimrock Ranch August 31, 7:30-10:30pm, Iim Hammond

FULL MOON WALK CAMP POLK MEADOW September 19, 6-8pm, Karen Parker

STAR PARTY RIMROCK RANCH September 28, 6:30-9:30pm, Jim Hammond

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