



News Release

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California State Parks' April Events

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – California State Parks has something for everybody year-round. Whether it's hiking, biking, strolling on a beach, recreating on a boat or off-highway vehicle, viewing wildlife, exploring the desert, seeing history first-hand in historic sites, or simply relaxing with family and friends, California State Parks offers a diverse outdoor selection.

Below are some activities that are taking place in April. Most events are free, but may require reservations or parking fees. Click on each individual date or event for details.

150th COMMEMORATION

Asilomar State Beach and Conference Grounds

[April 19](#): A day-long event commemorating California State Parks 150th Anniversary with activities highlighting the architectural designs Julia Morgan built for the YWCA at Asilomar. Cost: Free, but reservations are required.

ANIMALS

California Citrus State Historic Park (Riverside)

[April 6](#): Learn new facts and helpful hints about local animals that affect the citrus community. Cost: Free, but parking fees apply.

Petaluma Adobe SHP

[April 12](#): Sheep Shearing Day. Cost: Adults (17 and older) \$3.00; Children (6 to 16) \$2.00; 5 and under free.

BRUNCH

Clear Lake State Park

[April 26](#): Annual Wildflower Brunch. Cost: \$17.50 before the event, \$20.00 onsite.



EQUESTRIAN RIDES

Saddleback Butte State Park

[April 5](#): Registration required. Cost: \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members.

HISTORY OF THE HEADLANDS

Mendocino Headlands State Parks

April 5, 12, 19 and 26. [Details](#)

JUNIOR RANGERS

Activities include: walks, presentations, games, investigations, art and more. Kids can earn awards like pins, posters and patches as they progress through the activities. Cost: FREE. Age group: 7-12 years of age.

Tijuana Estuary (Imperial Beach)

[Thursdays](#)

Silver Strand State Beach

April 5, 12, 19, 29 and 26. [Details](#)

MEETINGS

[April 30](#): South San Francisco. Parks Forward California is an exciting new initiative designed to bring out the very best in our parks, improve efficiency, increase accessibility and meet the needs of our growing and changing population.

RAILROAD MUSEUMS

California Railroad Museum (Sacramento)

- **Exhibits:**

- Double Exposure: Photography and the Transcontinental Railroad. (through Oct. 5, 2014)
- Pick Me! A Bumper Crop from the Pacific Coast" (through Apr. 10, 2014)
- Welded Workers and Fused Faces: The Sawmill and Railroad Sculptures of Ray Carrington (through October 2014)

- **Excursion Train Rides:** Tuesdays and Weekends

- **All Aboard for Story Time:** First Monday of each month

- **Special train rides: Diesel Days:** April 19 and 20

Railtown State Historic Park (Jamestown)

- **Weekend Steam-Powered Excursion Train Rides:** Weekends beginning April 5 through September 2014.

- **Wildflower Train Rides:** April 12 and 19.



SPEAKER SERIES

Tijuana Estuary

[April 19](#) (every third Saturday of the month): Protecting Yosemite 150 Years Ago: Re-examining the Origins of America's Best Idea. Cost: Free.

TRADERS' FAIRE AND INDIAN ARTS & CRAFTS MARKET

April 12 at the [State Indian Museum](#) and [Sutter's Fort](#)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES/TRAINING

Dockwalker Training

[April 8 and 26](#). Registration is required. Dockwalkers are volunteers who inspire and educate boaters and others to be safe and environmentally sound while boating in California.

Volunteer in Parks

Volunteers serve in almost all of California's state park units and lend invaluable assistance in one or more of the following fields: interpretation for visitors; public contact; public safety; park operations; park equipment maintenance; park administration; natural and cultural resource management; and much more. [Details](#)

WALKS/HIKES

Bird Walks

- [Tijuana Estuary](#): Every 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of the month. Cost: Free. [Details](#)
- [California Citrus State Historic Park](#): [April 20](#). Cost: Free.

Nature Walks

- [Silver Strand State Beach](#): [April 6](#), [13](#), [20](#), [27](#). Cost: Free, but parking fees apply.
- [Tijuana Estuary](#): Every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month. Cost: Free. [Details](#)

Path of the Padres Hikes

[Saturdays and Sundays](#) from March 1 – April 27. Cost \$20 per person. Reservations are required.

Spring Hikes

Spring is the perfect time to take a hike in a California state park. Spring flowers are in bloom. [Details](#)

Tidepool Walks

Leo Carrillo State Park

April [11](#) and [25](#). Cost: Free, but parking fees apply.

Whale Walk

[April 12](#) at Leo Carrillo State Park. Cost: Free, but parking fees apply.



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Mission

To provide for the health, inspiration and education of the people of California by helping to preserve the state's extraordinary biological diversity, protecting its most valued natural and cultural resources, and creating opportunities for high quality outdoor recreation.

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