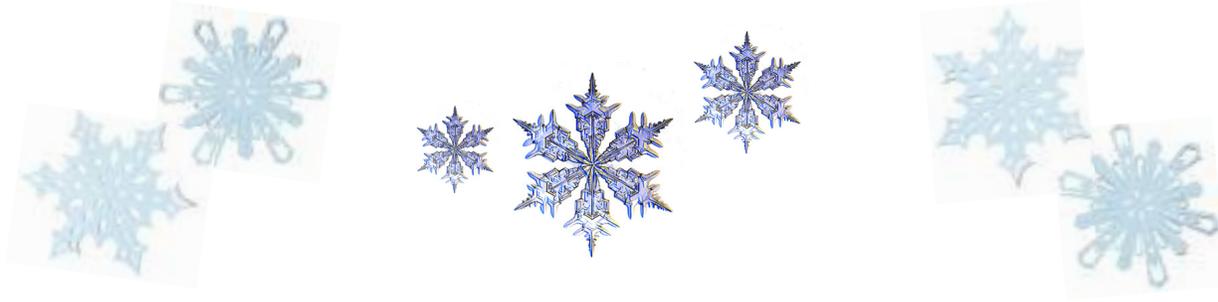




January Hike Schedule



The National Park Service is presenting a variety of guided hikes and programs throughout January. Hikes and programs will occur at different times and locations in Lake Mead National Recreation Area. For more information and reservations call the Alan Bible Visitor Center at 702.293.8990 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Reservations are required on all hikes. Please leave your dogs at home unless the hike specifies otherwise.

Saturday, January 3

Hamblin Mountain

Join Joan and Chuck on a rugged hike with patterns of color and fabulous views of Boulder Narrows, Pinto Valley Wilderness and beyond. Bring binoculars to capture a glimpse of bighorn sheep. This is a very strenuous six-mile hike that is cross country and steep. Experienced hikers only.

Saturday, January 10

Storytime with a Ranger

Join Ranger Sky as she shares stories about desert animals that live throughout Southern Nevada with the youngsters at the Spring Valley Library. Lots of puppets and hands-on materials for children ages 6-9 to enjoy in this 45-minute program. For more information call the Spring Valley library at 702.507.3820 .

Saturday, January 10

Tunnels by Moonlight

Hike along an old railroad bed and marvel at the light of the Mojave Desert moon. Learn the fascinating history of this cultural landmark and the tunnel passages that trains rumbled through daily on their way to the construction site at Hoover Dam. Share historical photos and stories with Larry along this easy three-mile trail.

Tuesday, January 13

Hope and Heartbreak – The Miner's Story

Make it or break it - there was really no such thing as a middle ground during the early mining days. Join Ranger Kirsten as she shares stories of the desperate times miner's endured trying to make their fortunes and survive in a harsh desert landscape. Meet at the Boulder City Library at 7 p.m.

Saturday, January 17*St. Thomas*

Walk back in time to the days before the waters of Lake Mead covered this small farming community. Share the memories and explore the lifestyles of an earlier time. This is a moderate 2.5-mile hike with Ranger Sky who will share historical photos along the way.

Saturday, January 17*Arizona Hot Springs*

Explore the scenic White Rock Canyon which leads to the Colorado River below Hoover Dam and a well-known hot-spring on the Arizona side of the river. This is a moderate six-mile hike with Tom.

Thursday, January 22*Desert Vista*

Join Ranger Megan on a hike with panoramic views of the McCullough Mountains, River Mountains, Fortification Hill, Dry Lake, Wilson Ridge and the Colorado River. Learn how to use identification guides as we enjoy views of the area. This is a moderate five-mile hike.

Saturday, January 24*Dog Hike on Historic Railroad Trail*

Join Kimberly and Paula for a dog-wagging good time and enjoy a day at the park with your pet! This "dog hike" is for dog lovers and their trusted canine companions. Enjoy a stroll along an old railroad bed that leads to Hoover Dam with spectacular views of Lake Mead. Your pet must be on a six-foot leash at all times and have current shots. Dogs and owners must be well socialized. This is a moderate three-mile hike along the Historic Railroad Trail.

Saturday, January 24*North Bowl of Fire*

Use your imagination as you wander among a variety of Aztec sandstone formations that are scattered throughout this geological wonder. This is a seven-mile moderate- to strenuous- hike with Joan and Chuck.

Sunday, January 25*Black Mountain*

Join Carleton and Carol for a hike to the top of Black Mountain. Enjoy wonderful views of Lake Mead, the Las Vegas Valley, the Spring Mountains, and surrounding areas from the mountaintop. We'll discuss the volcanic history of the River Mountains. This is a strenuous six-mile hike. Please call the Red Rock Canyon Interpretive Association at 702.515.5367 to register.

Saturday, January 31*Historic Railroad Trail*

Hike along a nice, flat railroad bed which leads to five large tunnels. The Railroad was built to transport supplies to Hoover Dam during the 1930's when the dam was under construction. Learn the fascinating history of this cultural landmark. Great views of the lake are an added bonus on this moderate five-mile hike with Ranger Sky.

Saturday, January 31*North Wind*

Hike a dry wash across from Black Mesa to an area of colorful rocks. Catch a glimpse of the sandstone marbles and oddly shaped rock formations on this intriguing hike with Joan and Chuck. Then loop back through an adjacent colorful wash with some loose footing. This is a moderate to strenuous eight- mile hike.