



Astronomy Weekend

Friday, August 10

6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Behaving "Batly"

Learn the myths and mysteries of bats, some of the Mojave Desert's most amazing nighttime creatures. Meet at the Boulder Beach campground amphitheater.

Saturday, August 11

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Secrets of the Sun Telescope

Life on earth starts with the sun, but have you ever seen it up close? Stop by to view the sun through a telescope, and learn its secrets. Meet at Boulder Beach.

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Myths of the Moon Telescope

We see the moon nearly every day, but have you seen it this close? Stop by to view the daytime moon through a telescope, and learn its myths and secrets. Meet at Lakeview Overlook.

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

The Night Sky and You

Astronomy and the study of the sky influence our daily lives perhaps more than any other science. Join rangers to learn how important astronomical discoveries have helped all of us.

Meet at the Boulder City Library.

For information and reservations, please call the Lake Mead Visitor Center, 702-293-8990,

8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Reservations are required for all hikes.

5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.

Night Owls

Owls are everywhere, from Alaska to the Amazon. Join a ranger to learn how they survive in one of the hottest and driest places on Earth. Meet at the Boulder Beach campground amphitheater.

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Twilight Stroll

Join Lake Mead rangers for an easy, two-mile evening walk on the Historic Railroad Trail. Along the way we'll look for nocturnal animals as we watch the day turn to night. Meet at the Historic Railroad Trail parking lot. Bring sturdy shoes, water and a flashlight.

9:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Constellation Tour and Star Party

Seeing a sky full of stars spread out over Lake Mead is a great way to appreciate the beauty of our National Recreation Area. Join rangers for a short tour of the night sky and learn the stories behind some of the most popular constellations. We may even see some meteors. Afterwards, look through our telescopes at some beautiful night sky objects. Meet at the Historic Railroad Trail parking lot.

Sunday, August 12

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The Disappearing Night

The Night Sky is one of the most threatened resources in our National Parks. What will we lose if we lose the stars? Join Lake Mead rangers to learn all about night skies and how we can protect them. Meet at the Water Safety Center in the Boulder Beach area.

8:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Night Discovery Hike

Meteor showers occur when the Earth passes through the path of a comet. Tonight the Perseid Meteor shower peaks and lucky visitors may see shooting stars above Lake Mead. Join us for this easy, two-mile walk through the Mojave night. Meet at the Historic Railroad Trail parking lot. Remember to bring sturdy shoes, water and a flashlight.