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Free sculpture workshops to be offered at Mount Rushmore National Memorial

Mount Rushmore National Memorial will be offering free week-long sculpting workshops on the Borglum View Terrace throughout the summer. Artist in Residence Kim Henkel will be returning from New Mexico for a third season to conduct the following sessions in stone carving and clay portraiture:

June 8-12	Stone Carving
June 22-26	Clay Portraiture
July 6-10	Stone Carving
July 20-24	Clay Portraiture
August 3-7	Stone Carving
August 17-21	Clay Portraiture
September 8-11	Stone Carving

The workshops are held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day and are open for participants 13 years of age and older. Children 16 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Families are encouraged to participate so that parents and children may share the experience and learn sculpting techniques together. No experience required. Participants will also learn about the history of Mount Rushmore and the sculpting process of the memorial.

The workshops are held outside and participants are encouraged to bring a hat, sunscreen, rain jacket, lunch and drinking water. All tools and supplies will be provided. There is a \$10 annual parking fee that is good for the remainder of the calendar year.

A 2008 workshop participant said, "The class more than met my expectations. I not only learned a great deal about clay modeling and making molds in my first class and stone carving in the second class, I was given an appreciation and enthusiasm for the art form of sculpture." A local wood carver of over twenty years said, "The stone carving workshop was the high point of my summer."

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Sculptor Kim Henkel has a Master of Fine Arts in Sculpture from Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona and has been an instructor of Sculpture at Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, Arizona and Western New Mexico University in Silver City, New Mexico. Henkel has exhibited her sculptures professionally in art galleries and museums nationally and at the Apex gallery at the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology.

Participants must register in advance. Registration information is available at For more information and a workshop registration form, please visit the Mount Rushmore website at www.nps.gov/moru, email Kim Henkel at kimberly_henkel@nps.gov, or call (605) 574-3178.

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