

# Parsons Memorial Lodge Summer Series



Unfiltered #5 – South Fork Merced River, Yosemite by Jeff Grandy

## JULY

### Saturday, July 16

*The Mountains Are Your Mind*

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Reading, talk, and discussion of new work with David James Duncan, activist and author (*The River Why, The Brothers K, River Teeth, My Story as Told by Water*)

### Sunday, July 17

*Poetry as Stewardship*

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Reading by poet Tom Crawford, followed by conversation with Tom and David James Duncan

### High Sierra Natural History Celebration Weekend

#### Saturday, July 23

*Trace: Memory, History, Race, and the American Landscape*

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Illustrated talk and conversation with Lauret Savoy, Earth historian, storyteller, and author of *Trace*

#### Sunday, July 24

*High Sierra Wildflowers: A Naturalist's Journey*

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Illustrated talk based on *Rock Creek Wildflowers* by Cathy Rose with photographs by Stephen Ingram

#### Saturday, July 30

*A Way Across the Mountain: Joseph Walker's 1833*

*Trans-Sierran Passage and the Myth of Yosemite's Discovery*

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Illustrated talk and reading by Scott Stine, scientist and professor, California State University, East Bay, and author of *A Way Across the Mountain*

### Sunday, July 31

*Meadows Symposium*

2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

*Patterns of Lodgepole Pine Encroachment into Subalpine Meadows of the Central Sierra*

Illustrated talk by Kaitlin Lubetkin, Ph.D., University of California, Merced, followed by a series of talks and a panel discussion with Jim Roche, Park Hydrologist; Vicky Hartman, Ecological Restoration Project Manager; Matt Jones, Biologist; Connie Millar, Senior Scientist, USFS; and Mark Fincher, Wilderness Specialist

## AUGUST

### Saturday, August 6

*Mountain Inspiration*

10:00 a.m. – 12 noon

Writing and yoga *en plein air* with Heather Sullivan, Balanced Rock co-founder and program director; bring a yoga mat or blanket, pen and paper, water, and appropriate layers of clothing.

*Oolation! Singers*

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

A performance of nature-inspired music by young singers led by hammer dulcimer player Malcolm Dalglish, singers Joshua Stephen Kartes, Naomi Dalglish, and Charlie Jesseph

### Sunday, August 7

*Beautiful World*

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Performance by singer-songwriter Eliza Gilkyson with guitarist Nina Gerber

### Saturday, August 13

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

*Vanishing Ice, Vanishing History: Natural and Cultural Implications of Glacier Loss in Yosemite National Park*

Illustrated talk by Greg Stock, Park Geologist

### Sunday, August 14

*The Sixth Extinction: An Unnatural History*

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Illustrated talk and discussion with Elizabeth Kolbert, Pulitzer Prize-winning author and journalist

### Saturday & Sunday, August 20 & 21

*20th Annual Tuolumne Meadows Poetry Festival*

Morning workshops and afternoon readings with music featuring poets Sherwin Bitsui, Alison Hawthorne Deming, Kay Ryan, and musician Shira Kammen

### Saturday, August 27

*The Hour of Land:*

*A Personal Topography of America's National Parks*

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

A conversation and reading by Terry Tempest Williams, writer, activist, and author of *The Hour of Land*, with a special guest



**Allow 30 minutes walking time to Parsons Memorial Lodge from either Lembert Dome parking area or the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. Admission is free.**

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