

THE NATIONAL PARKS STORE



Wednesday, July 4
Store closed for
Independence Day.

Saturday, July 7
2 PM only
**Presentation | Life and
War on the Edge of the
Spanish Colonial Frontier**

This illuminating presentation by Richard Collins, former president of the Tucson Presidio Trust for Historic Preservation and National Park Service ranger at Tumacácori National Historical Park, will change the way you think about the Spanish colonial frontier. Learn about the settlers of the American Southwest who persevered through challenges and carved out settlements that impact every part of our lives today.

Wednesday, July 11
2 PM only
**Presentation | Between a Brick and
a Hard Place: Exploring the Historic
Earthen Structures of Tumacácori
National Historical Park**

Melanie Rawlins, education specialist at Tumacácori National Historical Park (NHP), delves into the world of archaeological preservation at a national park. Tumacácori NHP protects what remains of three Spanish colonial mission sites. All three were constructed of adobe bricks over two hundred years ago but did not receive the same preservation treatments. Explore the challenges historic earthen buildings present and try your hand at being a preservation decision-maker.

Saturday, July 14
2 PM only
**Presentation | The Missions of
Sonora and Southern Arizona**

This presentation by Dr. Dale Brenneman and Wendy Lotze, both board members of the Southwestern Mission Research Center, explores the missions of the Sonora region. The missions of Southern Arizona and northern Sonora, Mexico, remain standing today thanks to the diligent efforts of many over the centuries. An important part of the Southwestern Mission Research Center's aim is helping preserve and conserve these special buildings for future generations. Learn about the history of the Southwest Borderlands and how you can experience these culturally valuable sites.

Wednesday, July 18
No Program

There will be no presentation on July 18 due to staff training for The National Parks Store.

Saturday, July 21
12 PM and 2 PM
Presentation | California Missions

Join Sonya Norman of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum as she delves into the history of California missions. If you have ever been to California you have heard the Spanish place names: La Brea Tar Pits, San Francisco Bay, San Andreas Fault, Sacramento River, Monterey. These names are the legacy of the pioneering Franciscan friars sent north from Mexico City to explore and colonize in the 1700s. Learn how they introduced wine, citrus, ranching, Catholicism, and permanent settlements. Get a glimpse into the native lifeways of the Chumash and Salinas peoples the missionaries sought to convert.

Events July 2018

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Wednesday, July 25
2 PM only
**Presentation | The Strong
Foundations of Casa Grande
Ruins National Monument**

How long will your house last? Casa Grande Ruins is over 650 years old and still standing strong. Hear Interpretive Ranger Mike Yetter tell the story of the builders, the ancestral people of the Sonoran Desert, and how their culture lasted for over one thousand years. Learn about the recent history of the site and how it became North America's first archaeological reserve.

Saturday, July 28
12 PM only
**Presentation | Organ Pipe
Cactus National Monument**

Supervisory Interpretive Park Ranger Cynthia Sequanna will take you on a virtual journey to Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument. Experience expansive vistas, diverse natural and cultural resources, and the beauty and solitude of wilderness in a unique section of the Sonoran Desert. After this presentation you'll want to see this gorgeous park for yourself.

Please request a reservation by calling 520-622-6014 during business hours one week prior to the event. Events are free unless otherwise noted.

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