

The **White Tank Mountains Conservancy** is dedicated to inspire all to conserve these mountains that are home to unique natural and cultural resources. The Conservancy provides volunteers an abundance of opportunities to support its mission and guiding principles. Whether you want to be out there on the trails or prefer contributing from the comfort of indoors, there is a place for you in the Conservancy.



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<b>White Tank Mountain Regional Park</b>	Park is located 4.5 Miles west of the 303 on Olive Rd. at 20304 W. White Tank Mountain Rd. Waddell, AZ 85355
<b>Skyline Regional Park</b>	Park is located 2 miles north of the I-10 / Watson Road interchange at 2600 N. Watson Rd. Buckeye, AZ 85396
<b>Bike with the Ranger</b> Friday, November 30, 2018 08:00 AM - 11:30 AM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Are you new to biking on desert and mountain terrain, or just want to ride? Join Ranger Justin on the competition track and learn some basic skills of off-road biking! After a brief introduction we will go for a 3-4 mile ride to get accustom to desert trails. Please bring a helmet, plenty of water, a snack, an extra tube and your bike!
<b>Desert Fables</b> Saturday, December 01, 2018 01:30 PM - 02:00 PM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Join storyteller Ann McDermott before our snake feeding to enjoy tales of desert plants and animals, inspired by 30 years of rural life in central Arizona. Q & A time afterward. Be ready for a pop quiz! Program will be held in the Nature Center classroom.
<b>Snake Feeding</b> Saturday, December 01, 2018 02:00 PM - 02:30 PM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Our resident reptile friends are hungry! Come to the Nature Center to see our snakes enjoy their meal. Our park staff will be doing the feeding. Observe the feeding behaviors of rattlesnakes, colubrid snakes', scorpions, and a desert tortoise.
<b>Friends and Fitness Hike</b> Thursday, December 06, 2018 08:00 AM - 10:00 AM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Are you working on your 100 Miles in 100 Days Challenge? Do you like to hike but don't like to hike by yourself? Do you want to explore new parts of the park? If you answered yes to any of the above, then these hikes are for you! Join park staff and volunteers for hikes of various lengths featuring different park trails. Hikes will be offered as scheduled throughout the duration of the County Parks 100 Miles in 100 Days Challenge (Nov. 1-Feb. 8). Hike routes, distances, and difficulty will vary – call ahead for specifics. Please wear sturdy shoes and bring a snack and plenty of water. Please leave your dog at home. Please call the park Nature Center for info.
<b>Introduction to Outdoor Photography</b> Thursday, December 06, 2018 09:00 AM - 11:00 AM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Want to learn more about taking awesome outdoor photos? Bring your camera (including cell phone cameras) and join park volunteer Chris Reed for a Basic Outdoor Photography workshop. Learn about camera operations, picture composition, lighting effects, and other essentials. The first portion of the program will be classroom instruction in the Nature Center classroom. Afterwards, we will take a short walk outside along a park trail to practice our new skills. Please meet in the Nature Center classroom. This program is geared toward teens and adults.
<b>Nature Discovery: Desert Animal Skulls</b> Friday, December 07, 2018 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Looking for a fun and engaging hour focused around children's outdoor education? Join Ranger J.D in Area 4 as he explores Desert Animals. These hands on programs will encourage kids to get in touch with nature. Children must be between the ages of 8-16 and be accompanied by an adult during Nature Discovery Hour.
<b>Luminary Walk</b> Saturday, December 08, 2018 07:00 PM - 09:00 PM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Bring your family and friends to this luminous night walk at the ½ mile Black Rock Loop Trail! It'll be a hike like no other. Our volunteers and staff will be transforming this trail into a wonderland of lights and holiday fun! This event will feature a mile of LED tea light candles and holiday lights through the desert lands. Please meet at Black Rock Loop trailhead for a fun and whimsical night!

<b>Find the Ranger</b> Wednesday, December 12, 2018 09:00 AM - 11:30 AM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Bring some family and friends to join you on a 1.8 mile hike at our popular Waterfall Trail! Keep a lookout for Ranger J.D. He'll have an exciting surprise!
<b>Snake Feeding</b> Friday, December 14, 2018 02:00 PM - 02:30 PM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Our resident reptile friends are hungry! Come to the Nature Center to see our snakes enjoy their meal. Our park staff will be doing the feeding. Observe the feeding behaviors of rattlesnakes, colubrid snakes', scorpions, and a desert tortoise.
<b>Early Bird Walk</b> Saturday, December 15, 2018 08:00 AM - 10:00 AM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Join birder Tom Locascio from the Sonoran Audubon Society for an early morning bird walk along the Goat Camp Trail. Bring your bird book if you have one. Binoculars may be available to borrow. Please meet at Area 1 in the park (see park map), Goat Canyon Trailhead. Please leave your dog at home.
<b>Guided Hike with the Park Supervisor and Ranger</b> Saturday, December 15, 2018 08:00 AM - 01:00 PM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Have you been wanting to hike the challenging Ford Canyon Loop Trail but didn't want to do it alone? Did you know that the White Tank Mountain Regional Park supervisor used to be an outdoor adventure guide? Come join her and the Ranger in hiking this beautiful 8 mile adventure. This hike is strenuous and for in-shape hikers only, who are familiar with hiking on primitive trails and are able to hike this long distance. Please bring 3 liters of water, lunch, snacks, sunscreen, and hiking poles are recommended. This hike will take a minimum of 5 hours. Please leave your dog at home, and meet at area 7 Mesquite/Waddell trailhead.
<b>Birds of the Sonoran Desert: Permanent Residents and Guests</b> Saturday, December 15, 2018 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	This program opens with a discussion of climate change and how deserts form. It then moves to the 4 regions of the Sonoran Desert and their unique Traits. How do these plants and animals adapt the desert environments is discussed with a focus on evaders, endures, and minimizers. We then move on to birds that can be common with in the Sonoran Desert Upland environments. Please meet in the Nature Center Classroom.
<b>Hiking Yoga</b> Saturday, December 15, 2018 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM Skyline Regional Park	A scenic hike in the White Tank Mountains with yoga integrated throughout. We will be starting and ending with yoga as well as making a few stops along the way to do mini-sequences of poses. Each stop will focus on a different main chakra (energy centers in the body) starting at the root and finishing with the crown. The in-between hiking will incorporate various mindfulness techniques culmination in an overall experience that rejuvenates the body, mind and spirit. This is beginner level for all aspects so everyone is welcome. *Bring water, closed-toed shoes and sun protection.
<b>Jingle Bell Hike to Santa</b> Saturday, December 15, 2018 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM Skyline Regional Park	Santa Claus is coming to Skyline! Take your child on an easy grade ¼ mile jingle bell hike to visit and take photos with Santa. While waiting, enjoy a free cup of hot cocoa, holiday crafts, and music. Make sure to bring a camera and preregistration is required. See web site to register.
<b>Black Rock Petroglyph Walk</b> Friday, December 21, 2018 08:00 AM - 11:00 AM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Join park volunteer Joe Weber on this easy, 1 ½ mile walk to view ancient petroglyphs. The walk will discuss early native peoples of the area and the possible meaning of the rock art they left behind. Please leave your dog at home. Please meet at Area 4
<b>What's in My Pack?</b> Friday, December 21, 2018 11:00 AM - 01:00 PM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Are you prepared for a hike in the desert? At the Waterfall trailhead we will have items on display that should always be in your pack or pocket. We will cover topics from reading maps (and actually using them) to first aid and hydration. Stop by and chat with us and learn how a little hiking preparation can go a long way. Be sure to have your water, hat and sunscreen.
<b>Moonlight Hike</b> Saturday, December 22, 2018 07:00 PM - 08:30 PM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	See the desert in a different light – moonlight! Join us for a 2 mile walk along Mule Deer Trail where we will look up at the night sky and experience the moonlight lighting the Sonoran desert. This is a moderate hike so please wear close-toed shoes, water and flash lights are optional Please leave your dog at home. See you all at Area 4 for the walk, near the restrooms.
<b>Snake Feeding</b> Saturday, December 29, 2018 02:00 PM - 02:30 PM White Tank Mountain Regional Park	Our resident reptile friends are hungry! Come to the Nature Center to see our snakes enjoy their meal. Our park staff will be doing the feeding. Observe the feeding behaviors of rattlesnakes, colubrid snakes', scorpions, and a desert tortoise.