



## 2019 Arizona Site Steward Conference

**"MANY REGIONS, ONE GOAL"**

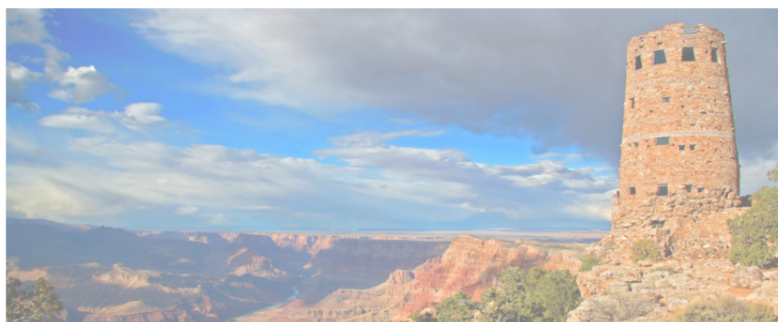
Grand Canyon November 1-3



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## **The 2019 Site Steward Annual Conference South Rim of the Grand Canyon Friday November 1st - Sunday November 3rd "Many Regions, One Goal"**

This edition of The Watch focuses on our Annual Site Steward Conference for 2019. On the following pages you will find:

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### **Conference Planning Committee Message**

We have been so excited throughout this year planning for the upcoming Site Steward Conference in November. First and foremost, it is at the Grand Canyon! The Park is such an incredible place to explore and learn about the archaeology and paleontology of the Southwest and Grand Canyon. The Grand Canyon Staff, including the Cultural Resources Department, have done so much for the Site Steward Program to offer the best conference workshops possible. Between the NPS staff and several impressive guest presenters, attendees of the conference will have a total of 17 exciting workshops to choose from. For Sunday, a total of 8 field trips and excursions are scheduled.

The conference also gives us an opportunity to hear updates from regions, exchange ideas, share success stories and recognize our fellow peers for their outstanding achievements. It is the one annual opportunity for all of us, Stewards, Regional Coordinators, managers and guests from throughout Arizona, and the southwest to meet as one team. We hope you will join us.

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## Site Stewards

The Arizona **Site Steward Program** is an organization of volunteers, sponsored by public land managers of Arizona, whose members are selected, trained and certified by the **Arizona State Parks & Trails**. The chief objective of the Site Steward Program is to report to the land managers destruction and vandalism of prehistoric and historic archeological sites in Arizona through site monitoring. Stewards are also active in public education and outreach activities.

Below is a list of the Planning Committee Members who have worked throughout the year to make this conference possible:

Sean Hammond, Arizona State Parks SSP Coordinator	Neil Weintraub, Archaeologist, Kaibab NF, Regional Coordinator * Williams Region
Dave Salge, Regional Coordinator, NE Arizona Region, elected member of GAAC	Brian Donehoo, Site Steward, Environmental Compliance and Historic Preservation, Grand Canyon NP
Margaret Hangan, Archaeologist, Kaibab NF	Jill McCormick, Archaeologist, Yuma Proving Ground; Regional Coordinator, Yuma;
Tee Cervantes, Site Steward Yuma, Grant Writer - Parks and Recreation, City of Yuma	Wyatt Rouse and Clara Krause, NAU Student Interns and Mark Hanley, Site Steward, Yuma
Ellen Brennen, Archaeologist, Cultural Program Manager, Grand Canyon National Park	Nicole Armstrong-Best and the Site Steward Program Foundation
Betsy Donehoo, Site Steward; Commerical Services Division and Permitting, Grand Canyon National Park	Special thanks to Dave Ryder for all the guidance you have provided and for handling conference registration.

## Conference Registration

Dave Ryder of Veer Consulting Conference Management is providing the registration support for the conference. Use the descriptions of the workshops/tours below to help you decide which workshops and tours you would like to attend.

- To register for the conference and to sign up for your workshop choices and Sunday tours please click here: [Conference Registration](#)
- Keep in mind that we will begin Friday November 1, 2019 at noon. A few of the amazing workshops offered by Grand Canyon staff only occur on Friday.
- There are no registration fees for the conference due to a grant from Luke Air Force base, monetary and in-kind support from Arizona State Parks & Trails and generous donations from the following organizations:  
Gowan Company  
Avenza Maps  
Westland Resources, Inc  
Yavapai Chapter of the Arizona Archaeological Society

Here is the list of all workshops and Sunday tours that will be offered during the conference:

### Friday/Saturday Workshops/Activities

- How to Identify and Report on Human Remains When Monitoring a Site
- Logging Vandalism with a Focus on Tire Tracks and Footprints
- Grand Canyon Museum Collections Tour
- Historic Boat Tours
- [Grand Canyon Powerhouse Tour](#)

- Ceramic Workshop
- The River Excavation Project Presentation
- Tusayan Pueblo Stabilization, Friday Field Trip
- Archaeology of the Grand Canyon
- Grand Canyon Lithics/Flint Knapping
- Desert View Watchtower Mural Tour
- Cemetery Tour
- Project Archaeology Part I: Introduction to Project; Project Archaeology; Part II: Learning Hands on Activities.
- Arizona State Parks GIS Staff to Provide One-on-One Support for GIS Mapping and Phone App Support
- Wilderness and Safety Training
- Paleontology: Dinosaurs from the Lost Continent of Mogollon; Minding the Neighborhood, Insights from 20 Years of Fossil Exploration on Public Lands
- Chasing Centuries: The Search for Ancient Agave Cultivars Across the Desert Southwest
- Tonto National Forest Tribal Monitor Program: Eyes and Ears of the Tribes

#### **Sunday Tours**

- Jeep Tour - Pictograph, Petroglyphs in Rain Tank
- Hull Cabin/Grandview Tower/Fenceline Pueblo
- Dos Manos
- Grandview Mine Tour
- Santa Maria Springs (Historic Hermit Trail)
- Picture Canyon Petroglyphs Tour
- Upper Ten-X Pictograph Tour
- Picture Canyon Nature Preserve Petroglyphs Tour, Flagstaff
- Paleontology of the Grand Canyon Tour

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## **Workshop Descriptions**

In some of the workshop descriptions below, we've added a link to an article that relates to the workshop and or presenter. Due to the popularity of a few workshops( limited space and availability of presenters), we will use a lottery system to select the permitted number of Site Steward members that a workshop can take.

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## 1. How to Identify & Report on Human Remains When Monitoring a Site

**Presenter:** James Watson, Associate Curator of Bioarcheology, and Associate Professor of Anthropology at the Arizona State Museum

**Description:** Identify the responsibilities involved with the discovery of archaeological human remains and who to contact. Cover state and federal regulations regarding the discovery of archaeological human remains and their ethical treatment.

**Workshops offered: 2 Maximum number each workshop: up to 100**

**Notes:** One of the most important workshops to take as Stewards find remains often. If you have not received training on this topic it is highly recommended you sign up for the workshop. <https://statemuseum.arizona.edu/research>

This presentation may contain images of human remains that may be upsetting to some participants.



## 2. Logging Vandalism with a Focus on Tire Tracks and Footprints

**Presenter:** Dusty Whiting, Retired ARPA Investigator, Apache Tribe

**Description:** A Site Steward might be the first to discover a looted archaeological site. You will learn how to be alert for transient evidence that may be contaminated or lost before law enforcement arrives. Learn how proper documentation, photography, key footwear or tire impressions, and a simple sketch can greatly help LE in their investigation.

**Workshops offered: 2 Maximum number each workshop: 40**

**Notes:** In addition to classroom activity, you will be taken to a nearby "mock" looters scene where you will get hands on feel for the work and learn about other types of evidence that may be at a site.

<http://stagdefense.com/team/d-j-dusty-whiting/>





### 3. Grand Canyon Museum Collections Tour

**Presenter:** Colleen Hyde, Museum Collection Specialist

**Description:** The Museum Collection contains over 1.6 million objects from several different fields including archaeology, anthropology, and paleontology. The museum is constantly growing with the staff receiving more than 2,000 research requests each year.

**Tours offered: 2 Maximum number each tour: 15**

**Notes:** Due to the limited space available and the popularity of this tour we will use a lottery system to select the 30 attendees. This workshop/tour is only available to Site Stewards, program Land Managers, RCs, ARCs, and tribal members.

<https://www.nps.gov/grca/learn/historyculture/muscol.htm>



### 4. Historic Boat Tours

**Presenter:** Kim Besom, Museum Collections Curator

**Description:** Learn about the history of river running in the Grand Canyon on a tour of the warehouse where several historical boats and artifacts are stored.

**Workshops offered: 2   Maximum number each tour: 25**

**Notes:** <https://geogypsytraveler.com/2012/02/21/grand-canyon-historic-boats/>

**Preparation:** Attendees will need to be able to stand for the length of the tour unless they bring their own seating.

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#### **5. Grand Canyon Powerhouse Tour**

**Presenter:** Ellen Brennan, Cultural Resource Program Manager

**Description:** Tour of the Historic Grand Canyon Powerhouse. Learn about the early Grand Canyon Village development by the Sant Fe and Fred Harvey Company. See the principal workings of the powerhouse and gain knowledge about the infrastructure supporting Grand Canyon Village. Due to the layout, this tour is not accessible to wheelchair users.

**Tours offered: 3   Maximum number each tour: 20**

**Notes:** According to several members of the planning committee, Kaibab archaeologists Neil Weintraub and Margaret Hangan, and our two Stewards who live and work in the Park, **the Powerhouse Tour is an absolute must!!** [https://www.nps.gov/parkhistory/online\\_books/harrison/harrison16.htm](https://www.nps.gov/parkhistory/online_books/harrison/harrison16.htm)

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## 6. Ceramic Workshop

**Presenter:** Jason Nez, Parks Service Archeologist

**Description:** Explore ceramics with Jason Nez who has experience as an archeologist with the Navajo Nation Archeologist Department and Grand Canyon National Park.

**Workshops offered: 2 Maximum number each workshop: 100**

**Notes** [:https://www.outsideonline.com/2301436/navajo-archaeologist](https://www.outsideonline.com/2301436/navajo-archaeologist)



## 7. The River Excavation Project Presentation

**Presenter:** Jen Dierker, Park Service Archeologist

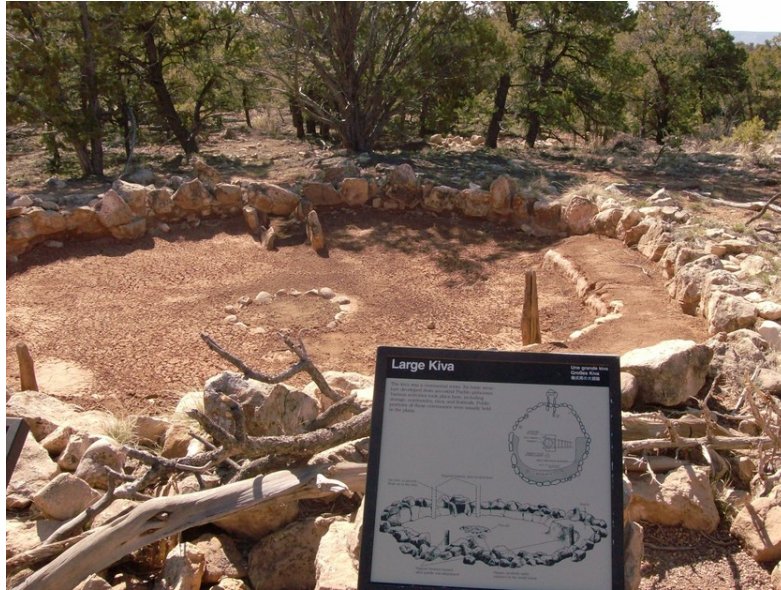
**Description:** Presentation on the results of a multi-year river corridor excavation project. This presentation will cover the history of archeological investigations along the river corridor, documentation of impacts, and how the operations of Glen Canyon Dam resulted in the erosion of sites. Learn about the attempts of preservation in place and the development of research design and testing prior to the implementation of a logistically challenging multi-site excavation project.



**Workshops offered: 2   Maximum number each workshop: 50**

**Notes:** Jen Dierker, archaeologist at Grand Canyon National Park, has worked for the past 24 years to document and mitigate impacts to cultural resources on the Colorado River. **A must for archaeologists and Steward members!**

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#### **8. Tusayan Pueblo Stabilization, Friday Field Trip**

**Presenter:** Donelle Huffer, Grand Canyon Vanishing Treasures Archeologist

**Description:** The workshop will focus on the preparation and application of soil cement mortar for the annual preservation maintenance of Tusayan Pueblo, a Late Pueblo II to early Pueblo III stone masonry pueblo consisting of 15 rooms, two kivas, and a plaza area. During the course of the presentation activities, we will discuss the history of stabilization and how that guides what we do today while gaining an understanding of the various stabilization materials used and how different treatments may affect the architectural fabric as well as the visitor experience. Set aside 30-40 minutes for travel to and from the conference area.

**Workshop Offered: 1   Maximum number for workshop: 10**

**Notes:** **A Lottery System will be used for this Workshop.**

**Preparation:** Participants will be mixing mud mortar with cement and applying the mortar to masonry walls. This activity will require bending, squatting, sitting on the ground, lifting potentially heavy rocks, and getting dirty. Please come prepared by wearing closed-toe shoes, clothes that can get dirty, and a sun hat. Also remember to bring water, sunscreen, and snacks as needed. Gloves, dust masks, knee pads, and work tools will be provided.

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## 9. Archaeology of the Grand Canyon

**Presenter:** Ellen Brennan, Cultural Resource Program Manager

**Description:** Presentation on human history of the Grand Canyon from Paleoindian culture to our modern-day tribal partners. Participants will learn about Grand Canyon's extraordinary archeological past.

**Workshops Offered: 2 Maximum number each workshop: 100**



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## 10. Grand Canyon Lithics/Flint Knapping

**Presenter:** Blayne Brown & Ehren Keltz, Archeologist

**Description:** This workshop will focus on the identification of the basic types of flaked stone debitage discarded during the manufacturing of flaked stone tools and what these flakes mean to the interpretation of archeological sites. In addition, specific tool types, both formal and informal, will be examined in more detail. This will be followed by a short knapping demonstration exhibiting the traditional techniques used to

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achieve the types of flakes and flaked stone tools that have been previously discussed.

**Workshops offered: 2 Maximum number for each workshop: 50**

**Notes:** Participants will gain a better understanding of the various types of flaked stone artifacts that may be encountered at archaeological sites, thus providing them with the means to more accurately document lithic surface assemblages. The majority of this workshop will take place outside the Shrine of Ages Auditorium.



#### **11. Desert View Watchtower Mural Tour**

**Presenter:** Jan Balsom, Senior Advisor to the Superintendent at Grand Canyon National Park

**Description:** Modeled after ancient ancestral Puebloan watchtowers found in the Four Corners region, the Desert View Watchtower features murals by Hopi artist Frank Kabotie (recently restored by Frank's grandson). Learn about the history of architect Mary Colter and discuss the artistic and cultural significance of Kabotie's murals.

**Tours offered: 2 Maximum number for each workshop: 15**

**Notes:** This workshop will take place at the Desert View Tower. 25 miles east of the conference; set aside 30 minutes for travel to and from. No shuttle service.

<https://www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/desert-view.htm>





## 12. Cemetery Tour

**Presenter:** Ellen Brennan, Cultural Resource Program Manager

**Description:** Outdoors tour of the Grand Canyon Pioneer Cemetery. Learn about the history of the cemetery, its development, select individuals interred there, and its current use.

**Tours offered: 2 Maximum number for each workshop: 15**

**Notes:** Participants should be capable of walking and standing for the length of the tour. Tour takes place on flat, gravel paths around the sections of the cemetery. <http://grcahistory.org/sites/south-rim/grand-canyon-cemetery/>



## 13. Project Archaeology Part I: Introduction to Project Archaeology; Part II: Learning Hands on Activities.

**Presenter:** Brooke Wheeler, Bureau of Land Management

**Description:** Project Archaeology is an educational project dedicated to teaching scientific and historical inquiry, cultural understanding, and the importance of protecting our nation's rich cultural resources. You'll learn about:

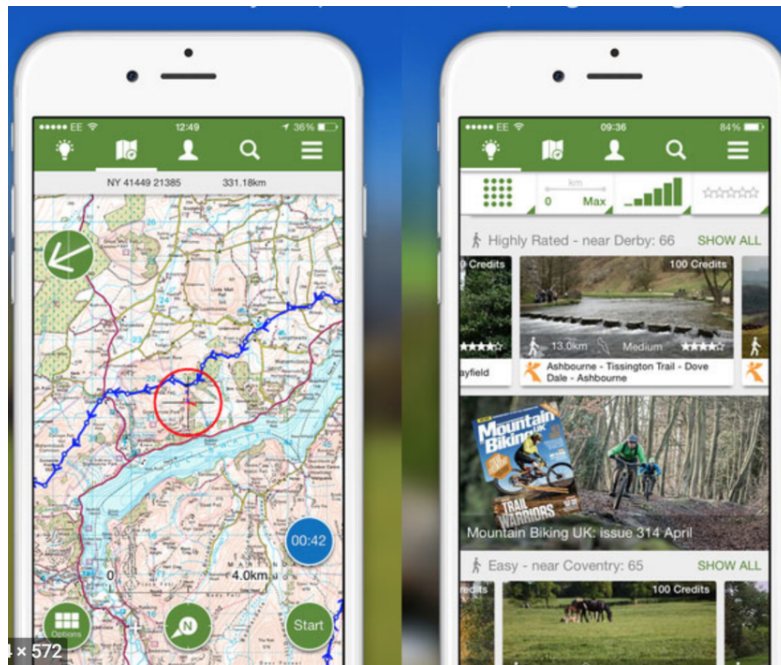
1. What it takes to become certified to work with schools to help teachers present archaeology course work.
2. Providing educational information and activities to visitors when conducting

outreach events. Attendees will learn hands on activities to use when working with youth.

**Workshops offered: 2   Maximum number for each workshop: 40**

**Notes:** Highly recommended for those who conduct outreach events and/or would like to work with youth and schools. If seeking certification, the workshops will help you prepare for the requirements needed in becoming certified.

<https://projectarchaeology.org/about/>



#### 14. Arizona State Parks GIS Staff to Provide One-on-One Support for GIS Mapping and Phone App Support

**Presenter:** State Parks GIS Staff

**Description:** Not a single workshop but all-day support Friday and Saturday during the conference. Do you need help understanding certain technology to help you navigate to your sites while using Phone Apps and/or location devices including the SPOT Device? Need help understanding the new database (set for October 2019)? The Arizona State Parks GIS Staff will be set up in the Shrine Auditorium throughout the conference to help you with one-on-one support on mapping, GPS, Phone App Assistance, and using the newly developed Site Steward database.

**Notes:** Available in the Shrine of Ages lobby -classroom.





### 15. Wilderness and Safety Training

**Presenter:** Meghan Smith, Supervisor for the Grand Canyon Preventative Search and Rescue

**Description:** Meghan will provide information on wilderness safety, heat and environmental hazards as well as good reporting methods and considerations.

**Trainings offered: 2    Maximum number for each session: 35**

**Notes:** We are requesting that all Site Steward attendees attend this workshop if you have not participated in this type of training or haven't done so within the past five (5) years.

**Regional Coordinators:** Please speak with your Stewards about this training opportunity and ensure that new Stewards participate.



**16. Paleontology: Dinosaurs from the Lost Continent of Mogollon; Minding the Neighborhood, Insights From 20 Years of Fossil Exploration on Public Lands**

**Presenter:** Doug Wolfe, CEO of Zuni Dinosaur Institute of Geosciences, Adjunct Faculty, Earth Sciences, Northland Pioneer College

**Description:**

- **Friday Talk:** "Dinosaurs from the Lost Continent of Mogollon" discusses the discovery and importance of the Zuni Basin dinosaur fauna (Zuniceratops, Jeyawati, Nothronychus, and Suskityrannus) and the intersection of Cretaceous geology and Native American culture and legend. Enjoy pretty pictures and great stories.
- **Saturday Workshop:** "Minding the Neighborhood, Insights From 20 Years of Fossil Exploration on Public Lands" presents and provides definitions, history, legislation (Antiquities Act-PRPA), guidance (BLM-PFYC, mitigation/monitoring criteria), risk criteria, best practices, survey, and monitoring/mitigation methods for fossil resources. Includes hands on fossils, real world examples from the presenter, and discussion about the benefits and challenges of fossils on public lands with specific reference to Science (STEM) education and public/community benefit.

**Workshops offered: 3    Maximum number for each workshop: 30**



**17. Chasing Centuries: The Search for Ancient Agave Cultivars Across the Desert Southwest**

**Presenter:** Ron Parker, Sunbelt Publications and Site Steward

**Description:** Chasing Centuries is a one of a kind travel-history presentation based upon a book of the same name that takes the reader on an exciting and little-known adventure at the crossroads of archaeology and botany. Travel with author Ron Parker as he explores the depth and duration of human and agave coevolution across the desert southwest and discovers unusual agaves apparently associated with

archaeological relics developed and planted by indigenous pre-Columbian Native Americans, and many are still growing exactly where they were planted hundreds of years ago.

**Workshops offered: 2 Maximum number for each workshop: 40**



#### **18. Tonto National Forest Tribal Monitor Program: Eyes and Ears of the Tribes**

**Presenter:** Joel Nicholas, Archeologist, Hopi Tribe, Cultural Preservation Office and Joseph Montoya Tonto National Forest Tribal Monitor Crew Chief

**Description:** The Tonto National Forest developed a Tribal Monitor Program that has been working on both cultural and biological pedestrian surveys with WestLand Resources Inc. and Resolution Copper. The Tribal Monitors have been using Traditional Ecological Knowledge to provide information to tribes about the land and its inhabitants. This information helps federal agencies make more informed decisions about the effects of proposed projects on cultural resources. It also allows involved tribes to gain a clearer understanding of what resources of tribal concern are being impacted from the voices of tribal members. The Tribal Monitor Program also provides employment opportunities and work training for tribal members to seek careers throughout the country.

**Workshops offered: 2 Maximum number for each workshop: 40**

## **Sunday Tour Descriptions**





### 1. Jeep Tour - Pictograph, Petroglyphs in Rain Tank

**Presenter:** John Tatum, GC Jeep Tours

**Description:** In 1994, John partnered with the Kaibab National Forest archaeology team and collaborated with both the Hopi and Havasupai Tribes to provide jeep tours to educate the public about the importance of protecting cultural resources. John Tatham's Grand Canyon Jeep Tour company is an excellent example of how collaboration between a for-profit company and the Forest Service can help protect and conserve fragile archaeological resources. John has waived all standard costs charged to customers for our conference.

**Tours offered: 2 Maximum number for each tour: 13**

- **Tour Times:** 1:30pm and 1:45pm. Easy hike to the sites.  
Location; McDonalds, parking lot in Tusayan



**Note:** Only a total of 26 people will be able to go on the two tours. We will do a lottery for this activity. Easy hike to the sites.

<https://grandcanyonjeeptours.com/tour-details/indian-paintings-tour/>



## 2. Hull Cabin/Grandview Tower/Fenceline Pueblo

**Presenter:** Margret Hangan, Forest Service Archeologist

**Description:** On this tour, Kaibab National Forest Archaeologist Margaret Hangan will first lead visitors to the historic Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) built Grandview Lookout Tower, then drive down to Historic Hull Cabin, and finish with a short uphill hike to Fenceline Pueblo. The participants will hike up to the lookout tower and gaze into the Grand Canyon high above the Kaibab National Forest canopy. Returning to the vehicles, the tour will proceed to visit Hull Cabin. Built by the Hull brothers in 1887, William and Phillip used the cabin for their summer base for grazing thousands of sheep. Today it is the oldest standing cabin along the South Rim of the Grand Canyon and can now be rented seasonally by the public. The last stop will be a large early Pueblo III site located on the Grand Canyon National Forest/Kaibab boundary. Ceramics on the site suggest it dates to AD 1100 to 1200.

**Tours offered: 1 Maximum number for Tour: 30**

**Tour time:** Meet at 9am (Location TBD)

**Access:** FS gravel Road. The hike to the top of the Grandview Lookout Tower and Fenceline Pueblo are fairly short, but very strenuous.



## 3. Dos Manos

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**Description:** Participants will learn about the Forest Service multiple use mission and how Kaibab archaeologists creatively manage to conserve sites within this challenging mission. They will also visit one of the largest rock art shelters in the area that has a collection of pictographs and petroglyphs spanning at least 5,000 years of Grand Canyon area prehistory.

**Tours Offered: 1 Maximum number for tour: 20**

**Notes:** Meet at the Desert View Watchtower at 9am, east of the Grand Canyon Village, to explore the Dos Manos archaeological site.

The Forest Service two-track road is rough and requires a high clearance vehicle. You will park and have to walk about 500 yards to the rock shelter. There is a steep downhill walk on a rock limestone shelf. Hike is 500 meters each way, easy to moderate with a 200ft elevation change. Elevation is about 6,400ft and in early November it can be a very cold and possibly wet hike.

**Tour time:** Meet at 9am



#### 4. Grandview Mine Tour

**Presenter:** Brian Donehoo, Site Steward and Grand Canyon National Park Staff

**Description:** Meet at the Shrine of Ages in Grand Canyon Village at 7:30 AM. The Last Chance Mine was located on Horseshoe Mesa by Pete Berry, a prominent local pioneer, who later owned the Grandview Hotel. He built the 4-mile Grandview Trail down to the copper mine, located 3,000 feet below the canyon rim, in 1893 and began hauling the ore out by mule with each animal carrying 200 pounds and making a round trip and a half each day. Eventually, William Randolph Hearst acquired the property sold it to the National Park Service in 1940. The mine is listed as a historic district on the National Register.

**Tours offered: 1 Maximum number for each session: 8**

**Note:** 8-mile round trip canyon hike. Very Strenuous, must be in good physical condition. 3000ft elevation.



## 5. Santa Maria Springs

**Presenter:** Ellen Brennen

**Description:** Hike the historic Hermit Trail from Hermit's Rest to Santa Maria Springs and back. Participants will learn about the development of the Hermit Trail, Santa Maria Springs, the Santa Fe Railroad, Fred Harvey Companies, competition with private entrepreneurs such as Ralph Cameron, and the relationship between the NPS and Santa Fe Railroad.

**Tours offered:** 1 **Maximum number for each session:** 10

**Notes:** This hike is 5 miles roundtrip. Participants must be in good physical condition. Carry food and water for at least a 4-hour hike. Bring a hat and wear sunscreen, consider bringing hiking poles. Though the trail has been maintained there is uneven footing and many tall steps along the trail.

**Preparation:** Catch the shuttle at the Hermit Interchange to Hermits Rest. If not riding the shuttle, let the trip leader know in advance so you can be given the code to access Hermit Road via private vehicle.

**Tour time:** Meet at 9am





## 6. Upper Ten-X Pictograph Tour

**Presenter:** Betsy Donehoo, Site Steward and Grand Canyon National Park Staff

**Description:** Ten X is a large pictograph site that is located under a large overhang in a drainage that was likely used as a travel route by early Native Americans. Upper Ten-X is located in the Kaibab National Forest east of Tusayan in the Juniper and Pinyon pine. This tour will require a two-mile round-trip hike, mostly along a level, graded, and closed two track road. There is a gradual drop into the drainage with an elevation change of less than 60 feet.

**Tours offered:** 1 **Maximum number for the tour:** 25

**Notes:** Drive to the site requires a high clearance car or truck.

**Tour time:** Meet at 9am



## 7. Picture Canyon, Flagstaff

**Presenter:** Raquel Romero

**Description:** Easy 1 mile hike through the beautiful Picture Canyon Preserve in northern Flagstaff. Along the way you will see hundreds of petroglyphs (over 1,000 are in the preserve). The Picture Canyon Natural and Cultural Preserve is a natural and cultural amenity located in northeast Flagstaff. In addition to significant Northern



Sinagua petroglyphs and other cultural resources, an agreement with the nearby Wildcat Hill Wastewater Treatment Plant ensures a year-long water source, providing critical riparian habitat for wildlife and songbirds. The Northern Sinagua people occupied the area from 700-1300 AD and Picture Canyon is home to the greatest concentration of Northern Sinagua petroglyphs in the region.

**Tours offered: 1 Maximum number for tour: 30**

**Notes: Meeting time -11am**

**Meeting Location at Preserve, Map will be provided at conference.**



## **8. Paleontology of the Grand Canyon**

**Presenter:** Doug Wolfe, CEO of Zuni Dinosaur Institute for Geosciences, Adjunct Faculty, Earth Sciences, Northland Pioneer College

**Description:** Join the very energetic Doug Wolfe on a journey through the Park to learn about basic geologic concepts relating to fossils as displayed at the Grand Canyon.

**Tours offered: 1 Maximum number for tour: 20**

**Tour time:** Meet at 9am

## **2019 Conference Agenda**

The conference agenda includes the time slots for all 17 workshops and 8 Sunday tours. [Click here to view the schedule:](#)

## **Lodging Information**

**Note:** We understand that lodging can be expensive and many of you live on a limited income. Aside from having very nice hotels in Tusayan, the rates are going to be

much lower than inside the Park. Additionally, there are other options available, including RV, camper parks, and even camping (yes, we had people request camping, but be careful, it might be very cold in November.)

**Common questions:**

- **Will I have to pay the entrance fee each time I drive into the Park?**

No, you will only pay the entrance fee of \$35. It is good for 1 week.

- **What is Tusayan and where is it located?**

Tusayan is a small community just outside the entrance to the Grand Canyon. It takes approximately 12-15 minutes to drive to the South Rim/Grand Canyon Village where all workshops and events will take place.

**Important information:** Please pay attention to the lodging information, as most of the options listed require you to provide a code as we have set aside a block of rooms.

- **Example:** To make a reservation with Yavapai Lodge please use the code 10C6E9.

**Lodging in Grand Canyon National Park**

**1. Yavapai Lodge**

Tel# 877-404-4621

Group Code:10F2JW

Rates: Yavapai West: \$130.00

Yavapai East: \$150.00

Info: <https://www.visitgrandcanyon.com/yavapai-lodge>

**2. Yavapai Trailer Village (RV Park)**

Tel# 877-404-4621

Group Code: 10C6EB

Rates: \$59.00

Info: <https://www.visitgrandcanyon.com/trailer-village-rv-park>

Charcoal fires only, 30 and 50 amp hookups available, sewage and water hookups, up to 50ft sites, potable water, and dump stations.

**3. Mather Campground**

Tel# 928-639-7888

Rates: \$18.00/night (2 vehicles, 6 people)

\$50.00/night (3 vehicles/50 people)

Info: [https://www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/cg-sr.htm#CP\\_JUMP\\_1954262](https://www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/cg-sr.htm#CP_JUMP_1954262)

Wood and charcoal fires allowed, no wood collecting, coin operated showers and laundry, leashed pets. You do not need to tell them you are with the Site Steward Program as we do not have a special rate for this campground.

**Lodging in Tusayan**

**1. Best Western - Grand Canyon Squire Inn**

Tel# 928-638-8426

Rates: \$85.00

Info: <https://www.grandcanyonsquire.com/>

3 on-site restaurants, a bowling alley, an arcade, indoor/outdoor pools, and complimentary parking that includes trucks and RVs.

Instructions: Reference the Site Steward Program Foundation when making your reservation.

## 2. Grand Canyon Plaza Hotel

Tel# 928-638-2673 ext. 1413

Rates: Oct 31: \$91.00

Nov 1-3: \$87.00

Info: [www.grandcanyonplaza.com](http://www.grandcanyonplaza.com)

Restaurant and 18-foot indoor spa.

Instructions: Reference the Site Steward Program Foundation when making your reservation.

## 3. Ten X Campground

Tel# 928-638-2443

Rates: Free

Info: <https://www.recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/234488>

RV spots available, no hookups, covered picnic areas, roads will be open.

## 4. Grand Canyon Camper Village

Tel# 928-638-2887

Rates: \$66.00/night 50 amp full hookup

\$57.00/night 30 amp full hookup

\$52.00/night 30 amp water and electric only

\$33.00/night tent sites no hookups

Info: <http://www.grandcanyoncampervillage.com/>

Tents available, motorhome and RV sites available.

Instructions: Let them know you are Site Stewards for \$10.00 off all fees.

## 5. Dispersed Camping in Kaibab National Forest

Tel# 928-365-5600 (Williams Ranger District)

Rates: Free

**WARNING:** Check weather reports, possible snow, and possible fire restrictions.

General Kaibab National Forest Website:

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/kaibab/home>

Camping Information:

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/activity/kaibab/recreation/camping-cabins>

## 2019 Arizona Site Steward Program Awards

### Nominations Due September 10, 2019 (follow link below)

Every year, during our annual Site Steward Conference, an awards ceremony is held to recognize volunteer Stewards, Assistant Regional Coordinators, Regional Coordinators, Land Managers, and SSP Regions for their outstanding efforts throughout the previous year. The SSP is in its 33rd year and the reason the program has lasted this long and continues to grow is because of you and the other 450 **active** volunteer Stewards in the program. Many of you drive miles on bad roads, hike through difficult and sometimes dangerous terrain, and all of you spend your own money to volunteer. You are all leaving an incredible legacy to preserve and protect cultural sites that provide Native people with a vital connection to their ancestors and heritage.

Click on the link below to access and download information on the Arizona Site Steward Program Awards as well as the Awards Nomination Form:

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Form is located on the Site Steward Fondation Website. The form will be posted by August 22nd and nomination forms will be due by September 10th. Click Here: [2019 Awards Nomination Form](#)

<b>Outstanding Site Steward of the Year</b>	<b>Thief of Time Award</b>
<b>Outstanding New Site Steward of the Year</b>	<b>Site Steward Angel Award</b>
<b>Regional Coordinator of the Year</b>	<b>Dwight Riggs Memorial Mentoring Award</b>
<b>Assistant Regional Coordinator of the Year</b>	<b>Site Steward Program TEAM Award</b>
<b>Regional Support Steward of the Year</b>	<b>Research Project of the Year</b>
<b>Land Manager of the Year</b>	<b>Appreciation and Special Awards</b>