

Mueller State Park Programs



May Programs 2026

Programs happen rain, snow, or shine unless posted otherwise. Check the cpw.state.co.us/events and the Mueller Facebook page for any event changes or to sign up for events requiring registration.

Fri, May 1: Junior Rangers on the Trail

11 a.m.-12 p.m. Meet at Outlook Ridge Trailhead

Have you ever wanted to learn more about the forest and hiking at Mueller State Park? Hike to the first outlook, learn about hiking safety and record sightings in your own nature journal. Best for ages 6-12, but all are welcome. Children and their grown ups should attend together.

Sat, May 2: Basic Fly Fishing

(Registration required for weekend dates)

10 a.m.-12 p.m. Meet at Dragonfly Pond Parking Lot

Learn how to fly fish and how it's different from other styles like bait fishing, trolling, and spinning. Use your new or seasoned skills to try to catch a fish at one of Mueller's favorite ponds. All gear is provided. Best for ages 10 and older. Pre-register online at cpw.state.co.us/events.

Sat, May 2: Forest Bathing

1-4 p.m. Meet at Outlook Ridge Trailhead

(Registration required)

Unwind in nature's joy & wonder through the healing practice of Forest Bathing/Shinrin yoku. Join Forest Therapy Guide, Jane, for this peaceful 1 mile wander with prompts to quiet the mind, open the senses and connect closely with yourself & the land, closing with tea brewed from local plants. Min. age 12 recommended. Dress for changing weather, bring water & backpack for hands-free. Pre-register online at cpw.state.co.us/events.

Tue, May 5: Basic Fly Fishing

10 a.m.-12 p.m. Meet at Dragonfly Pond Parking Lot

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Sat, May 9: Star Party

8:30-10:30 p.m. At Visitor Center Parking Lot

Join volunteer astronomers from the Colorado Springs Astronomical Society to see the night sky in a whole new way. Get up close and personal with stars, planets, galaxies and more via a variety of telescopes. Keep your night vision in tact and be respectful of others by bringing a red light flashlight and keeping your headlights on low when entering or leaving the parking lot.

Tues, May 12: Story of Pikes Peak Hike

10 a.m.-12 p.m. Meet at Elk Meadow Trailhead

Take in beautiful views of the west side of Pikes Peak on this 2 mile hike. Along the way hear about how Pikes Peak was formed, the people who've climbed it over history and how it became America's mountain. If you can't make this date it will also be offered on May 30.

Tue, May 12: Sensory Hike

1-2:30 p.m. Meet at Outlook Ridge Trailhead

Do you know what a Ponderosa Pine smells like? Have you ever noticed the color of your hand after touching an aspen tree? Use your sense of sight, touch, hearing and smell to connect to nature in new ways on this 1 mile hike.

Mon, May 18: Fly Fishing Basics Plus

(Registration required)

9 a.m.-1 p.m. Meet at the Visitor Center

Enhance your fly fishing knowledge in this fly fishing plus class which will include a three hour classroom portion. Go more in depth on techniques and equipment. This class is best for those who have some experience fly fishing or have attended a Mueller fly fishing basics class. It is suggested that you bring your own rod to continue to hone your skills on the equipment you will use outside of the class. Pre-register online at cpw.state.co.us/events.

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**Wed, May 20: Basic Fly Fishing****10 a.m.-12 p.m. Meet at Dragonfly Pond Parking Lot**

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Wed, May 20: Cheesman Ranch Hike**1-4 p.m. Meet at Grouse Mountain Trailhead**

Get in some distance with this roughly 6.5 mile hike. See the many habitats in the park like forests, meadows and valleys as you pass the historic Cheesman Ranch and Dynamite Cabin.

Fri, May 22: Basic Survival for Kids**2-3 p.m. Meet at Camper Services**

How do you prepare for a hike? What should you pack? What do you do if you get lost? Learn survival skills everyone can use. This program is geared towards kids and their guardians, but all are welcome. Ages 5 and up.

Sat, May 23: Archery**(Registration required on weekend dates)****10 a.m.-12 p.m. Meet at Dragonfly Pond Parking Lot**

Test your skills or try a new one at this beginner archery class. All supplies are provided, simply come with your listening ears and a good attitude. All ages are welcome; bows have a draw weight of 6-20lbs. A nerf bow station will be available for those unable to pull back the bow string. Some adaptable equipment is available. Call for more details. Pre-register online at cpw.state.co.us/events.

Sat, May 23: Sensory Hike**1:30-3 p.m. Meet at Outlook Ridge Trailhead**

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Sun, May 24: Basic Fly Fishing**(Registration required for weekend dates)****10 a.m.-12 p.m. Meet at Dragonfly Pond Parking Lot**

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Sun, May 24: Junior Rangers in the Forest**11 a.m.-12 p.m. Meet in front of the Visitor Center**

Explore the park's wilderness and wildlife to earn your Junior Ranger badge. Come prepared to spend time outside. Children and their grown ups should attend together.

Sat, May 30: Story of Pikes Peak Hike**10 a.m.-12 p.m. Meet at Elk Meadow Trailhead**

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Sat, May 30: Sensory Hike**1-2:30 p.m. Meet at Outlook Ridge Trailhead**

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Sun, May 31: Junior Rangers at the Pond**11 a.m.-12 p.m. Meet at Peak View Trailhead**

Have you ever wanted to learn more about the ponds and critters at Mueller State Park? Investigate aquatic life in the park and become a Junior Ranger. Children and their grown ups should attend together. There is limited parking at Peak View trailhead. Homestead trailhead and the Comfort Station are close by and have lots of parking.