



FIRST PEOPLES BUFFALO JUMP STATE PARK 2018 Spring Schedule of Events

DATE	TIME	PROGRAM	SPEAKER
March 17 (Saturday)	10am – 3pm	“Rock Art Hike and Art Show” From 10am - 12pm join us for the first guided rock art hike of 2018. This is a great opportunity to come and learn about 2 distinctive methods for producing rock art. What are the differences between Pictographs and Petroglyphs? From 12pm - 3pm the art show features contemporary Native American Artist DG House and members of the King Kuka family. The hike is \$4.00 per person and there are 20 spots available. Please call First Peoples Buffalo Jump at 406-866-2217 to reserve your spot on this hiking opportunity. The hike is weather dependent and may be cancelled due to ice or snow. There is no additional charge to attend the Art Exhibit. \$6 entrance fee for Non-resident vehicles.	Park Staff
April 8 (Sunday)	12pm – 5pm	“Great Falls Museums Consortium Sunday Sampler” Visit THREE museums and correctly answer the questions at each museum. Have each museum stamp your questionnaire before you leave. Drop off your Sunday Sampler form at the last museum you visit for a chance to win one of ten prizes. Cost: Free for Montana residents, \$6 entrance fee for non-resident vehicles.	Park Staff
April 22 (Sunday)	1pm – 3pm	“Earth Day, Volunteer Day” Come celebrate Earth Day with us and install a noxious weed kiosk at the North Entrance of the park and after travel to the Visitor Center to help plant two native shrubs near visitor center. Refreshments will be served after the work is done. Native Chokecherry and Buffalo Berry were donated by Forde Nursey in Great Falls. Let us know you will be volunteering call 406-866-2217. Cost: Free for Montana residents, \$6 entrance fee for non-resident vehicles.	Park Staff and Volunteers
Memorial Day Weekend – Labor Day Weekends (Sundays)	1pm	“Jump Talks” Join us on Sundays starting Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend to walk with a ranger and learn how buffalo were stamped off the cliff. Meet at the upper visitor area parking lot. The program will last about 20—30 minutes in length. The distance hiked will be no more than 1 mile. Cost: Free for Montana residents, \$6 entrance fee for non-resident vehicles.	Park Staff and Volunteers
May 19 (Saturday)	10am- 1pm	“National Kids to Parks Day – Traditional Native Games” Traditional games were a very important part of the culture for Montana tribes during the days First Peoples Buffalo Jump was used to harvest buffalo, and continue to be in the modern day. Join park staff and volunteers to learn more about these games and play them yourself. All ages are invited to attend. Games offered may include shinny, double ball, kickball, Run and Scream, and many others. Cost: Free for Montana residents, \$6 entrance fee for non-resident vehicles.	Park Staff
May 26 (Saturday)	1pm- 3pm	“Ranger Guided Hike” Join a Montana State Park ranger for a guided hike along our 3.5 mile interpretive trail. During the hike you’ll learn about the jump’s history and how the First Peoples survived here long ago. The hike will start and finish at the park’s visitor center and includes a trip to the top of the jump. Cost \$4 per person and \$6 entrance fee for non-resident vehicles.	Park Staff

June 2 (Saturday)	10am – 1pm	<p>“National Trails Day - Ranger Guided Hike” View the famous buffalo jump with ranger Alice Southworth and identify the native plants and prairie wildflowers along the way. Learn how the First Peoples used these plants to survive on the prairie. Hike is good for active families. View the exhibits in the Visitors’ Center afterwards. Reservations required, call 406-791-7700 to register. Cost: Free for Montana residents, \$6 entrance fee for non-resident vehicles.</p>	Park Ranger Alice Southworth
June 9 (Saturday)	1pm-3pm	<p>“National Get Outdoors Day - Traditional Native Games” Traditional games were a very important part of the culture for Montana tribes during the days First Peoples Buffalo Jump was used to harvest buffalo, and continue to be in the modern day. Join park staff and volunteers to learn more about these games and play them yourself. All ages are invited to attend. Games offered may include shinny, double ball, kickball, hoop and arrow, lacrosse and many others. Cost: Free for Montana residents, \$6 entrance fee for non-resident vehicles.</p>	Park Staff and Volunteers
June 16 (Saturday)	10am – 12:30pm	<p>“Ranger Guided Hike: Important Roles of Native American Women” Join a Montana State Park ranger for a guided hike along our 3.5 mile interpretive trail. This hike is offered in collaboration with the CM Russell Museum. During the hike you’ll learn about the importance of Native American Women in the life of the Plains Indians and during the buffalo hunt. Homemakers, master craftsman, and medicine women, life was not easy and women worked hard. The hike will start and finish at the park’s visitor center and includes a trip to the top of the jump. Cost \$4 per person and \$6 entrance fee for non-resident vehicles.</p>	Park Ranger Alice Southworth

Non-resident vehicles can purchase an Annual Parks Pass for \$35.00 which gives free entry into any Montana State Park and discounts on camping.

Visitor Center and Park Gates Hours of Operation

Winter

October 1 – March 31

Wednesday – Saturday 10:00am - 4:00pm

Sunday 12:00pm – 4:00pm

Closed Mondays and Tuesdays

Summer

April 1 – September 30

Open 7 days a week

8:00am – 6:00pm

Walk-in access to the park is allowed until dark

Entry fees

Resident vehicle - Free

Resident vehicle opted out of state park fee - \$6

Non-resident vehicle - \$6

Non-resident walk-in or bike-in - \$4

Non-resident vehicle with annual pass – Free

For more information on our events, call 406-866-2217,
visit our website,

<http://stateparks.mt.gov/first-peoples-buffalo-jump/>

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