

# 19th Annual AMAZING EARTHFEST

May 8-11, 2025 Kanab, Utah

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



Four days of exciting events!



Arts & Culture
Community
Documentary Films
Outdoor Adventure
Science & Land
Night Sky

Celebrate And Explore America's National Parks, Forests, Monuments, and Public Lands

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# **Welcome to Amazing Earthfest**

Southern Utah's Festival of Learning, Discovery, Arts and Adventure!

"The Earth does not belong to man; Man belongs to the Earth. ...All things are connected. ...Man did not weave the web of life, he is merely a strand in it. Whatever he does to the web, he does to himself." ... Chief Seattle (1776 - 1866)

All Events are Utah time, unless noted. Please remember that 9 O'clock in Utah time is 8 O'clock in Arizona.

Events are free of charge except where noted!

#### Arts and Culture **EVENTS BY DATE Page** Presented By: Amazing Earthfest and Thunderbird **THURSDAY, MAY 8TH** Foundation for the Arts 8:00am - 10:00am - Nature Hike 5 Contact: Earthfest Director, Rich Csenge 11:00am - 12:00pm - "Amazing" Yoga 4 **Phone:** 435-644-3735 Email: rich@amazingearthfest.org 12:30pm - 1:30pm - Impact and Recovery 6 EARTHFEST CHAMBER MUSIC 1:30pm - 3:30pm - From Global Change to Local Action 3 **CONCERT** 4 4:30pm - 5:30pm - Solar Flares and the Full Moon Rising 4 6:00pm - 7:30pm - Social Dinner Party at Nomad World Premier Performance Of New Music 8:00pm - 9:30pm - Documentary Film: The Oil Machine 7 For Violin And Piano FRIDAY, MAY 9TH Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025 Time: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM 7:00am - 1:00pm - Snake Gulch Pictograph Tours 5 Location: Bingham Gallery, Thunderbird Foundation for the 8:30am - 9:15am - Meditation For Earth 3 Arts, US Route 89, Mt. Carmel, Utah 9:30am - 11:00am - Designing With Native Plants 4 Phone: 435 648-2653 11:00am - 12:00pm - "Amazing" Yoga Class 4 Website: https://thunderbirdfoundation.com 2:00pm - 2:45pm - Preserving The Night Sky 6 Tickets: Adults \$30.00 in advance or \$40 at the door. 3 4:00pm - 5:00pm - Great Music Inspired By Nature Students \$5:00; Children under 10 free. 5 5:30pm - 6:30pm - Wilderness Tithing **Description:** Amazing Earthfest concerts bring extraordinary 7:00pm - 7:30pm - Documentary Film: Wrought talent to Kane County. 8:00pm - 9:00pm - Documentary Film: Thank you for supporting these fine performances! Written on the Landscape This extraordinary live musical performance is a four-way collaboration between Woods Music, Composer Laurence Lowe, **SATURDAY, MAY 10TH** Thunderbird Foundation for the Arts, and Amazing Earthfest. 7:30am - 9:00am - World Migratory Bird Day 3 Experience a live world premier performance of three original 9:30am - 11:30am - Strolling Along Kanab Creek 5 compositions for violins and piano from Composer Laurence 11:00am - 12:00pm - Tribal Ethnobotany Walk 3 Lowe's new album, "On Contemplating Loss", as well as a 12:30pm - 1:30pm - Inspiration Of Nature 3 Concerto for Two Violins by Bach, and a Trio Sonata by Handel, 2:00pm - 3:00pm - Glen Canyon Rises 6 performed by Aubrey Woods, violin, Alex Woods, violin, and Rex 2 4:00pm - 6:00pm - Earthfest Chamber Music Concert Woods, piano. An unforgettable occasion amid the elegance of 7 8:00pm - 9:20pm - Documentary Film: Ecosophia original works of contemporary western art at Bingham Gallery in 10:00pm - 11:00pm - Astronomy Night Mt. Carmel. Utah! Contemporary composer Laurence Lowe created these works to **SUNDAY, MAY 11TH**

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worth saving!"

Amazing Earthfest Information Table
Open 8:00am - 10:00am
Thursday - Sunday
Concert, Brunch, & Supper Tickets
Kane County Office of Tourism
78 S 100 E, Kanab, UT 84741

1:00pm - 4:00pm - Chinle Formation of Grand Staircase-

5:00pm - 7:40pm - Documentary Film: Regenerating Life

7:30am - 9:30am - Mountain Bike Ride

10:00am - 12:00pm - Project Nomad Kanab

8:00am - 9:30am - Dino Track Hike

**Escalante National Monument** 

Delicious Refreshments will be served.

ways, that, "We are at a crossroads."

Aubrey and Alex Woods, Rex Woods, and Laurence Lowe bring exceptional talent to Amazing Earthfest. Please visit: <a href="https://www.amazingearthfest.org/events/earthfest-chamber-music-concert">https://www.amazingearthfest.org/events/earthfest-chamber-music-concert</a>, to read impressive bios for these fine musicians!

express through music, a growing realization among Americans.

including in rural communities with strong ties to traditional life

Earthsongs expresses the beauty of nature while Earth's Elegy

laments the possible death of the biosphere as we know it, if we

continue in our present course. Earthdance is a fast, furious and

hopeful reminder that there is energy and life to spare, and all is

**Presented By:** Composer Laurence Lowe **Contact:** Earthfest Director, Rich Csenge

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#### **GREAT MUSIC INSPIRED BY NATURE**

#### A Conversation on Music Making

**Date:** Friday, May 9, 2025 **Time:** 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM **Location:** Kanab City Library community meeting room, 374

North Main Street, Kanab, Utah

**Description:** This rare opportunity to gather insights and get to know a contemporary composer is made possible through a grant from the Utah Division of Arts and Museums. With Laurence Lowe, Professor Emeritus of Music at Brigham Young University as your guide, enjoy this free public multi-media visual and sound presentation featuring recorded examples of works by inspired composers who have touched the mystery and source of the creative process.

Composer, soloist, chamber musician, orchestral player and teacher Laurence Lowe of Provo, Utah, was educated at the Eastman School of Music and the San Francisco-Conservatory, and has an international reputation as a horn soloist, composer, chamber musician, orchestral player, and teacher. Everyone is invited!

**Presented By:** Creative Community

**Contact:** Marc Coles Ritchie **Phone:** 435-881-4078 **Contact:** Father Rick Sherman **Phone:** 435-644-3414

Email: colesritchie@gmail.com

#### INSPIRATION OF NATURE

#### Environmental Readings in a Natural Setting

Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025 Time: 12:30 pm to 1:30 PM Location: Outdoor site near Kanab. Meet at the Kane County Office of Tourism, 78 S. 100 East, Kanab. Carpool to the site. Description: Inspired writing read aloud in a beautiful natural setting can bring about reverie! This experience, co-led by GSENM Ecologist Marc Coles Ritchie and Fr. Rick Sherman, Pastor, St. Christopher's Catholic Church, will include enviromental-spiritual writings from religious texts, poetry, philosophical writings or essays about our connection to, and appreciation for the natural world. Bring your favorite passage of three minutes or less in length to share, or just enjoy listening!

Presented By: Kaibab Band of Paiutes

**Contact:** LeAnn Jake Shearer, Cultural Preservation Director **Phone:** 928-643-7365 **Email:** https://www.kalbabpaiute-nsn

#### TRIBAL ETHNOBOTANY WALK

Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025

**Time:** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (10:00 AM – 11:00 AM AZ Time) **Location:** Meet on the back patio of the Pipe Spring National Monument and Kaibab Band of Paiutes Joint Visitor Center and Museum.

**Directions:** Pipe Spring National Monument, 14 miles west of Fredonia, AZ, on Hwy 389. Turn right at Kaibab Paiute Tu-ee mart Gas Station. Follow this road approx. 1/2 mile north, to the Monument Visitor Center and Museum.

**Description:** Join Kaibab Paiute Tribal elder Glendora Homer and a staff member from the tribal Cultural Preservation office for a guided walk. They will share some of their tribal ethnobotany knowledge of how native plants are used for food, medicine, and other purposes. Pre-registration required; limited to 15 people.

## **Community**

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Climate

# FROM GLOBAL CHANGE TO LOCAL ACTION

#### A Conversation on our Changing Climate

Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025

Time: 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM [1.5 hour Video and Group

Conversation]

**Location:** Kanab City Library community meeting room, 374

North Main Street, Kanab, Utah

Description: Here's an opportunity to gain perspective on addressing the many threats posed by our changing climate in the community where you live. A 30-minute moderated group conversation will follow screening of a talk originally delivered at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center. "Climate change isn't just a problem for polar bears or future generations anymore – it's affecting us here and now", says Dr. Katherine Hayhoe, Chief Scientist for the Nature Conservancy and Distinguished Professor at Texas Tech University. Highlighting solutions happening on the ground today, Dr.Hayhoe dives into what keeps people from acting on climate change and how to bring things closer to home. Untangling the complex science connecting our choices to future impacts, her talk highlights actions underway right now to combat this critical issue. Her life offers a realistic and hopeful story of one renowned scientist's sustained effort to help humanity save itself. This event will equip curious, open minded participants with the knowledge and inspiration needed to make a positive difference. Bring your notepad.

Presented By: Creative Community

Contact: Tim Clarke

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#### **DESIGNING WITH NATIVE PLANTS**

**Date:** Friday, May 9, 2025 **Time:** 9:30 AM to 10:45 AM **Location:** Best Friends Roadhouse and Mercantile

**Description:** Have you noticed? Lawns around Utah are beginning to disappear as residents seek to implement water conservation measures around their homes. Learn from an expert how to use native plants to create an attractive and successful garden. Local Landscape Designer Tim Clarke, will address your questions and cover important considerations such as climatic zones, sourcing for native plants, irrigation and water retention.

Presented By: Creative Community

Contact: Cindy Von Halle

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#### WORLD MIGRATORY BIRD DAY

#### Birdwatching at Jackson Flat Reservoir

**Date:** Saturday, May 10, 2025 **Time:** 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM **Location:** Meet at Jackson Flat Reservoir Boat Ramp parking area off Kaneplex Drive in Kanab.

**Description:** World Migratory Bird Day is officially celebrated on the second Saturday of May in Canada and the US (May 10th in 2025). Join birding enthusiasts for a walk on the paved path around Jackson Flat Reservoir, spotting and identifying beautiful

birds. Sixty species have been identified here including stilts, avocets, herons, swallows, pelicans, gulls, blackbirds, cormorants, geese, ducks and warblers. Let's find your favorite! Dogs on leash are welcome. Bring a snack, hat, sunscreen and your own binoculars.

Presented By: Creative Community

Contact: Amazing Earthfest

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#### SOCIAL DINNER PARTY AT NOMAD

Time: 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM Date: Thursday, May 8, 2025 Location: Nomad Cafe and RV Park, 2150 US-89, Kanab, UT

**Description:** Enjoy feasting together at an outdoor Dinner Party for friends, presenters and supporters of Amazing Earthfest. Let's discover, share, preserve and celebrate the places we love! From healthy snacks to delectable desserts, this is a communitybuilding event where resident and visiting festival goers meet organizers, volunteers and contributors, artists, authors, musicians and scientists who present the events that you enjoy. Artisan pizza and fresh baked dessert, made right at Nomad, will round out the range of dishes brought by those attending. Whether you're omnivore, vegetarian, or vegan, bring your favorite home-cooked recipe and enjoy a welcoming atmosphere, conversation, and live music!

Did you know that Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument (GSENM) has an official Friends Group? Dr. Jackie Grant. Executive Director of Grand Staircase Escalante Partners (GSEP) will introduce opportunities for volunteers to participate in science and stewardship on the Monument, including a new program aimed at native plant seed collection. https://gsenm.org. \$10/person for Nomad's awesome pizza and ambiance, plus all the potluck options on the table including drinks and dessert! To help ensure a balanced menu, RSVP by Tuesday, May 6, at 12 Noon, to the contact listed above with what you intend to bring!

Presented By: Nomad Cafe & RV Park

Contact: Jason Sander

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#### PROJECT NOMAD KANAB

Time: 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon Date: Sunday, May 11, 2025 Location: Nomad Cafe and RV Park, 2150 US-89, Kanab, UT

**Description:** Here in Kanab, we have an opportunity to grow differently...to develop sustainably as we connect with each other and hold space for our communities of support to meet and create. This brunch and discussion will explore ways to more sustainably develop commercial spaces and collaborative business ideas that stimulate and encourage thriving communities of support. Examples drawn from Moab, UT, and Sedona, AZ, will illustrate how "top down" investment models have affected communities in other major tourist areas of the Mountain West. Nomad serves food prepared from real ingredients! Brunch includes freshly made quiche, and bakery items, juice, coffee and tea. Fee to attend is \$12/person.

Presented By: Stellar Vista Observatory

Contact: Rich Csenge

**Phone:** 435-644-3735 Email: rich@amazingearthfest,org

#### **SOLAR FLARES AND THE FULL MOON RISING**

**Date:** Thursday, May 8, 2025 **Time:** 4:30 PM to 5:30 PM Location: Jackson Flat Reservoir Boat Launch Parking Area

**Description:** Safely observe the dynamic and fiery surface of our Sun through a powerful solar telescope; the star making possible all life on Earth. Turning eastward, opposite the blazing sunset, examine the rising moon magnified in another telescope. its surface scarred by countless impact craters over a 4.5 billion year lifespan. Learning answers to your questions about the sun and the moon in the ambiance of ethereal spine tingling space music by Jason Sander will further enliven the experience. Space-themed costumes welcome!

Presented By: Amazing Earthfest

Contact: Jennilyn Lowe

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#### "AMAZING" YOGA

Date: Thursday, May 8, and Friday, May 9, 2025

Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 Noon

Location: Kanab City Library community meeting room, 374

North Main Street, Kanab, Utah

**Description:** Using Hatha Yoga postures, partner postures, and pranayama or breathing exercises, while always practicing "Ahimsa" or non-violence to our own bodies, we'll center around finding balance in our bodies and in our lives and learning ways to be more connected to ourselves, our partners, and the world around us. A second session is scheduled for May 9. In the second class feel free to bring a partner as we will have several partner poses. Please bring your own yoga mat and blanket. Blocks are welcome but not necessary. Be prepared to modify postures at any time, to fit your own individual physical and emotional needs. Intense flexibility is not required. I look forward to making and re-establishing connections with some of my favorite earth centered people. Namaste!

Presented By: United Church of Kanab and Fredonia

Contact: Gail Everhart

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#### MEDITATION FOR EARTH

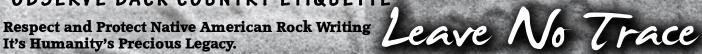
Date: Friday, May 9, 2025 Time: 8:30 AM - 9:15 AM Location: United Church of Kanab and Fredonia, outdoor

council circle, 530 S 100 E in Kanab.

**Description:** Everyone is invited to come together to share in quiet meditation on our responsibility as stewards for the Earth with reflection and Query (Quaker response) in an outdoor setting. Non-denominational. Pets welcome.

# OBSERVE BACK COUNTRY ETIQUETTE

It's Humanity's Precious Legacy.



### **Outdoor Adventure**

Presented By: Creative Community

Contact: Kim Titus

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#### NATURE HIKE

**Date:** Thursday, May 8, 2025 **Time:** 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM **Location:** Meet at the Kane County Office of Tourism, 78 S. 100 East, Kanab. Carpool to the trailhead.

**Description:** Join a moderately paced hike through an old growth forest of Juniper and Pinyon Pines along the Morning Glory and Western Legends trails at Tilted Mesa. The terrain includes rocky outcrops with beautiful scenic vistas. Wear good walking shoes and bring water for this 3.5-mile loop around the mesa. Sorry, no dogs allowed.

Presented By: Kaibab National Forest, North Kaibab Ranger

District

Contact: Michael Terlep

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#### **SNAKE GULCH PICTOGRAPH TOUR**

Date: Friday, May 9, 2025

Time: 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM Utah Time (6:00 AM -12:00 PM

Arizona Time)

**Location:** Meet at 7:00 AM Utah Time at the Earthfest Information Table, Kane County Office of Tourism, 78 South 100 East, in Kanab. Carpool or caravan to Snake Gulch turn off (formerly Oak Corral) on the North Kaibab Ranger District.

**Directions:** From Kanab, UT, follow Hwy 89A south through Fredonia, AZ, (past the saw mill) then turn right (south) onto Forest Road 22 and go approximately 30 miles. Then turn right on FR423 and immediately pull into the parking area (formerly Oak Corral) on the north side of FR423. All meet at the Junction of 22 and 423 then caravan down FR423, and then FR642 to the Snake Gulch Trailhead. Allow 45 minutes to travel from Kanab to the junction of 22 and 423.

**Description:** Join Kaibab National Forest archaeologists for a 5-6 mile round trip hike to view some of the amazing rock art panels in Snake Gulch. Hike leaders will discuss the ancestral history of the Kanab Creek Wilderness and Kaibab N.F. Terrain is relatively flat, however there is no shade. Under clear skies, temperatures could reach 80-100 degrees. Dress appropriately and wear sturdy hiking boots, bring a small backpack, hat, sunscreen, lots of water and lunch. The drive to Oak Corral is mostly paved but forest roads are dirt and conditions vary. 4WD or AWD is recommended, particularly in wet weather. Limit 4 to 5 vehicles at the trail head (15 persons total).

Amazing Earthfest, in Kanab, Utah, inspires and educates people to value stewardship of natural and cultural resources on America's public lands, and to explore responsibility to present and future generations.

Make Thursday May 8th, your day of Climate Action. See Pages 3 & 7!

**Presented By:** Amazing Earthfest **Contact:** Andrea Bornemeier

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#### STROLLING ALONG KANAB CREEK

**Date:** Saturday, May 10, 2025 **Time:** 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM **Location:** Meet at the Kane County Office of Tourism, 78 S

100 E. In Kanab. Carpool to the trailhead.

**Description:** Join Andrea, a former park ranger, for a spring nature stroll of about 2 miles along Kanab Creek. Discover birds, plants and wildlife found in riparian areas of rugged canyon country. This is an easy walk with occasional wandering off trail. Hiking boots and gaiters recommended. The guided walk ends at Greenhaugh trailhead if you want a longer hike. Don't forget binoculars, water and snacks.

Presented By: Jake's Bike Shop

Contact: Jake Clayson

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#### **MOUNTAIN BIKE RIDE**

**Date:** Sunday, May 11, 2025 **Time:** 7:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Location: Tilted Mesa Trailhead

**Directions:** Meet at 8:00 am at Jakes Bike shop, corner of Main and Center street in downtown Kanab, or 8:15 am at the Tilted Mesa Trailhead. Drive east about 10 miles from Kanab on US Hwy 89. Just past Johnson Canyon Road, turn south on BLM road 3200, and follow signs to the trailhead.

**Description:** This guided six-mile group ride of approximately two hours in duration and 800 feet of elevation change on the Tilted Mesa trail system will follow two intermediate loops requiring mild technical riding ability. Trail ratings are Blue and Spicy Green. Upon completion, advanced riders may join others for another hour or so on an additional loop ride through some difficult sections of the trail system rating Black and Spicy Blue. This option is intended for advanced riders only and is not a part of Amazing Earthfest.

# <u>Science and Land</u>

**Presented By:** Morgan Sjogren **Contact:** Morgan Sjogren

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Website: https://morgansjogren.com
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#### Good For Places We Love

**Date:** Friday, May 9, 2025 **Time:** 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM **Location:** Meet at the Nomad Cafe and RV Park. Walk to a

place of beauty.

**Description:** Express your love for the land! Join author and adventurer Morgan Sjogren for an interactive conversation and writing workshop focused on giving back to the places we love. Learn how the one hundred year old journals of Charles L. Bernheimer led Sjogren to retrace a 300-mile expedition in Glen Canyon for her book *Path of Light*. More than just a sightseer, Bernheimer's vision to protect areas surrounding Glen Canyon evolved into the first proposals to preserve present-day Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monuments. The author will highlight ways to donate and/or volunteer to help safeguard the landscapes we call home and love to visit. All materials provided. No prior writing experience necessary.

Presented By: Bureau of Land Management

Contact: Marc Coles Ritchie

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# IMPACT AND RECOVERY The Deer Springs Fire in GSENM

**Date:** Thursday, May 8, 2025 **Time:** 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM **Location:** Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument

Visitor Center.

**Description:** Join specialists from the Bureau of Land Management to explore the powerful wind driven wildfire on Timber Mountain that burned 11,000 acres of sagebrush/ grassland and pinyon juniper woodlands in Grand Staircase-

Escalante National Monument in July of 2024.

Learn about the fire, natural recovery process already taking place, and the emergency stabilization and rehabilitation efforts that are currently underway. Co-leads Marc Coles-Ritchie (ecologist) and Cameron McQuivey (wildlife biologist) will show photos and describe the fire's impacts, rehabilitation efforts being undertaken and the research that will document and assess post-fire recovery.

Presented By: Amazing Earthfest

Contact: Katja Knoll

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#### DINO TRACK HIKE

**Date:** Sunday, May 11, 2025 **Time:** 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM **Location:** Meet at the Kane County Office of Tourism, 78 S. 100 East, Kanab. Caravan to a trailhead parking area a short distance north of town.

**Description:** Millions of years ago, huge dinosaurs roamed this land, leaving evidence of their movement pressed into solid stone. With GSENM Paleontology Lab Manager, Katja Knoll, visit a dinosaur track site close to Kanab via a short but steep trail. Participants registering for this hike must have experience with scrambling and steep terrain. Wear good walking shoes, use hiking poles, and bring water for this one mile out and back adventure. Not suitable for dogs.

Presented By: Utah State University

Contact: Colter Davis Email: colter.davis@usu.edu

#### CHINLE FORMATION OF GRAND STAIRCASE-ESCALANTE NATIONAL MONUMENT

**Date:** Sunday, May 11, 2025 **Time:** 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM **Location:** Meet at the Kane County Office of Tourism, 78 S.

100 East, Kanab. Carpool to the location.

**Directions:** Old Paria Townsite. Travel South on US Hwy 89 toward Page, AZ, approximately 30 miles from Kanab. Turn left at the signed BLM road for Old Paria Townsite. Proceed about 4 miles on an unimproved dirt road to the Townsite. We will meet in the parking lot near the restrooms.

**Description:** Guided by Utah State University Geoscience Professor Colter Davis, uncover the story behind Utah's colorful Chinle formation while exploring an exceptionally vibrant outcrop of the multicolored mudstone. Famous for fossils and dinosaur bones, these rocks are a portal to the past, offering insights into a world that existed hundreds of millions of years ago. Bring a hat, snacks, water and wear good walking shoes.

Presented By: Creative Community

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### GLEN CANYON RISES

The Rebirth of America's Lost National Park

Date: Saturday, May 10, 2025 Time: 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM

**Location:** Kanab City Library community meeting room, 374

North Main Street, Kanab, Utah

**Description:** In his new book *Life After Dead Pool*, journalist Zak Podmore brings to life the magnificent terrain of canyon country and its complex water politics, presenting an ultimately hopeful portrait of a Colorado River on the brink of rebirth. In the words of the *New York Times*, Podmore shows how climate change in the Southwest offers the "opportunity for a more sustainable future." Zak will personally deliver this presentation and sign copies of his book.

# Night Sky

Presented By: Stellar Vista Observatory

Contact: Rich Csenge

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#### PRESERVING THE NIGHT SKY

**Date:** Friday, May 9, 2025 **Time:** 2:00 PM to 2:45 PM **Location:** Kanab City Library community meeting room, 374

North Main Street, Kanab, Utah

**Description:** The visibility and brilliance of a starry night sky is precious to human existence, but it's rapidly vanishing due to steady increases in misdirected nighttime lighting. The implications for humanity's health and well-being, as well as for wildlife, are profound. In this presentation learn what is lost when stars fade away at night, ways we can protect our night sky, and how easy it is to help improve visibility of the night sky at your home and in your community.

Presented By: Stellar Vista Observatory

Contact: Rich Csenge Phone: 435-644-3735

**Email:** rich.csenge@stellarvistaobservatory.org **Website:** https://www.amazingearthfest.org/

#### **ASTRONOMY NIGHT**

**Date:** Saturday, May 10, 2025 **Time:** 10:00 pm to 11:00 PM

**Location:** Sand Caves Parking Area, at the intersection of US Hwy 89 and Angel Canyon Road, the south entrance to the Best

Friends Animal Sanctuary.

**Description:** Catch a glimpse of the infinite! Tour the constellations of the Spring sky with an experienced astronomy interpreter. Enhance your comprehension of the positions and movement of the moon, constellations and planets through the seasons. Travel through deep space to the stars through the eyepiece of a powerful telescope. Gain fresh new perspectives about humanity's place in the cosmos.

19th Amazing Earth Fest 2025 Organizing Team. Cindy von Halle, Jan Wieneke, Dave Bushroe, Andrea Bornemeier, Rich Csenge, Josh Klina

# **Documentary Film and** Screenings

**Kanab City Library Community Meeting** Room, 374 North Main Street, Kanab Film screenings are free of charge but your generous donations help us present high quality productions like these year after year. Please ask an usher where you can place your voluntary contribution. THANK YOU!

#### Thursday, May 8th

#### The Oil Machine

Time: 8:00 PM (81 minutes) Topic: Energy and Climate



Take a startling exploration of our economic, historical and emotional entanglement with oil by looking at the conflicting imperatives around North Sea oil. This invisible machine at the core of our economy and society now faces an uncertain future as activists and investors demand change. Over 25 awards and major festival screenings worldwide.

"A beautiful piece of work, hypnotic and mesmerizing and incredibly emotional - I learned so much from watching this."

- Janice Forsyth, BBC Radio Scotland

#### Friday, May 9

#### Wrought

**Time:** 7:00 PM (22 minutes) Topic: Microbiology of Decay

You know that universal moment of disappointment when despite all best efforts, your food has gone bad. But instead of turning away in disgust, zoom in with curiosity through time lapse photography to examine the categories of spoil, ferment, compost and rot. We ourselves are forged from the relationships that transgress the binaries of "human" and "non-human". Startling original music elevates the visual experience! Over 25 awards and festival screenings.

#### Written on the Landscape

Time: 8:00 PM (58 minutes) Topic: Chacoan Culture

Ancestral Puebloan culture's complex astronomy reveals a legacy of scientific observation and a spiritual tradition with a powerful impact on the American Southwest. Many brilliant achievements of the Chaco civilization are in grave danger today. Their feats, long obscured in a fragile desert environment, are recovered through beautiful aerial footage and laser scanning (LIDAR), revealing the true expanse of their world, nearly twice the size of Ireland in size. Without modern tools, wheel or beast of burden, these ancient people built ceremonial Great Houses and connected them to places of spiritual power with remarkably straight"roads," as wide as modern two lane streets.

#### Saturday, May 10

#### **Ecosophia**

Time: 8:00 PM (77 minutes) Topic: Ecological Wisdom

Ecosophia—a term first used by French philosopher Félix Guttari and deep ecologist Arne Naess—means ecological wisdom. Explore the interrelationship between energy, the economy, resources, population, psychology, spirituality, the biosphere, the limits to growth and climate change in an honest appraisal of the sustainability of our civilization. A simpler world is coming, and what's needed is as much a

spiritual revolution as a physical one.

"An unflinching look at what is at stake, this film deserves the widest possible viewership: from high school students to their parents to those who control our corporations, governments, social media, and military. The images are breathtaking and compelling; the message clear, intelligent, and necessary."

Roger S. Gottlieb, Dean's Professor of Philosophy, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Author, Morality and the Environmental Crisis and A Greener Faith

#### Sunday, May 11

#### Regenerating Life

**Time:** 5:00 PM (137 minutes) Topic: Insights from Deep Ecology

Join others in a deep dive into the ecological underpinnings of the climate crisis by looking beyond carbon emissions from the burning of fossil fuels to humankind's relentless destruction of nature across the globe. Ultimately, it is nature the vast biodiversity on our planet - that regulates and balances Earth's climate.

Learn how life itself regulates our climate through photosynthesis and the carbon cycle; the water cycle; the dung cycle; and a vast interconnected soil network of fungi, microorganisms, and plant roots. Enhance your understanding of the economic and political systems that have encouraged this destruction through the relentless quest for wealth and

#### SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR GENEROUS **SUSTAINERS!**

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