

Tubac Presidio State Historic Park

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Events at the Tubac Presidio – November 2016

Ongoing Temporary Exhibit: Tubac's Pioneer Families and the Catastrophe of Baca Float No. 3 This ground breaking exhibit tells the story of how local homesteaders lost their lands to real estate speculators and political actions beyond their control. Included with park admission, \$5 adult, \$2 youth 7-13, children free.

Non-Presidio Event: Day of the Dead Field Trip, Nogales, Sonora, Wednesday, November 2, 9 am – 5pm

Join Fiesta Tours on a visit to our neighbors in Mexico to participate in the "All Souls" celebration at the cemetery just across the international border in Nogales, Sonora. The graves are cleaned and freshly decorated. Many will have a traditional altar on them to honor the deceased. Lively music will be played, food booths, and a fair-like atmosphere prevails. Learn first-hand the different attitudes of the Mexican culture towards those who have passed away. We will also visit a private home in Nogales and learn how one family honors their deceased loved ones. Depart Tubac Presidio parking lot at 9 am, enjoy lunch in Nogales, and return to Tubac at approximately 5 pm. Cost of Tour is \$95 per person includes: all transportation from Tubac Presidio, lunch, bilingual tour guide, donation to the Friends of Tubac Presidio. Payment is due by October 27, and should be sent to Fiesta Tours, Box 2141, Tubac, AZ 85646. Remember your passport! Not included: alcoholic beverages, personal purchases. Minimum of 8 passengers. Contact: fiestatoursint@gmail.com or 520/398-9705 for more information.

Book Event & Signing: Fighting for Uncle Sam: Buffalo Soldiers in the American West by Dr. John Langellier, Saturday, November 5, 2 pm

From the American Revolution to the present day, African Americans have stepped forward in their nation's defense. John Langellier breathes new vitality into a stirring subject, emphasizing the role the "buffalo soldiers" played in opening the West. John's concise overview reveals a cast of characters as big as the land they served. The book has over 150 images painstakingly gathered from public and private collections that enhance the written word. Join us to hear this stimulating presentation of the remarkable history of these courageous men. The book will be available for purchase. Refreshments will be served. Call 520-398-2252 to make your reservation today. \$7.50 fee includes admission to tour the Park.

Non-Presidio Event: Breakfast with History, Monday, November 7, 8:30 am - 10 am

You are invited to the Tubac Historical Society's Breakfast with History program at Wisdom's Café in Tumacacori. Steve Gastellum will speak on the Baca Float debacle and describe the new facts he uncovered in conjunction with the Presidio's new exhibit, *Tubac's Pioneer Families and the Catastrophe of Baca Float No. 3.* Call 398-2020 to reserve a spot. Look for THS representatives selling tickets at the Tubac Post Office the week before the event.

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Save the Presidio – Arizona's First State Park! We are looking for additional Volunteers! Call 398-2252 for more info.

Guided Tour of the Barrio de Tubac Archaeological Site – Wednesday, November 9, 10 am & Friday, November 25, 10 am

Special tour by Phil Halpenny and Gwen Griffin of the Spanish colonial archaeological site just south of the Park which preserves the remains of the original Tubac town site, including residence foundations, plaza area, refuse area and partial irrigation ditch. Meet at the Park's Visitor Center. Tour involves a walk of about 1-1/4 miles. The Archaeological Conservancy protects this site and participants are asked to sign 'An Acknowledgement of Risk Factors' before entering. Wear walking shoes, sunscreen and hat. \$10 fee includes admission to tour the Presidio Park. Tour limited to 15; reservations encouraged, 520-398-2252 or info@TubacPresidio.org.

Book Event -- Knights of the Woeful Countenance by Tom Prezelski, Saturday, November 12, 2 pm

One of the most significant artifacts in the Tubac Presidio Museum is the remains of a lance used by the 1st Battalion of Native Cavalry. This military unit served the Union cause in the American Civil War and consisted largely of Californio Hispanic volunteers from Southern California and the Central Coast. These Native Cavalrymen lent the army their legendary skills in horsemanship and carried lances that evoked both the romance of the Californios and the Spanish military tradition. Tom Prezelski's new book, *Californio Lancers: The 1st Battalion of Native Cavalry in the Far West, 1863–1866* (Arthur H. Clark, 2015), is the first detailed history of the 1st Battalion, and illuminates their role in the conflict and brings new understanding to Civil War history. Tom will have copies of his book available for sale. Refreshments will be served. Call (520) 398-2252 to make your reservation. \$7.50 fee includes admission to tour the Park.

Presentation: Natural Disasters, including Global Warming by Don Davidson – Sunday, November 13, 2 pm

Join Don for another of his illustrated geological presentations, this time on natural disasters. He'll discuss the causes and effects of major geological events including earthquakes, volcanoes and hurricanes, and the more "minor" ones like landslides, sinkholes and tornadoes. Global warming and other human generated disasters such as fracking will also be discussed. Refreshments will be served. Call 520-398-2252 to make your reservation today. \$7.50 fee includes admission to tour the Park.

Frontier Printing Press Demonstrations -Friday, November 18, 11 am - 1pm

A knowledgeable volunteer demonstrates the Washington Hand Press used to print Arizona's first newspaper in 1859 and answers questions about hand press printing, type setting, and other aspects of this marvel of industrial engineering. You will get to set type and print small samples to take with you. Included with park admission: \$5 adult, \$2 youth 7-13, children free.

Arizona's National & State Parks, Monuments, and Historic Sites - Special Presentation by Jack Lasseter, Saturday, November 19, 2 pm

Why are the national parks called America's greatest idea? What insights into Arizona's history do our state parks, like the Tubac Presidio or Tombstone's Courthouse offer us? How does a visit to one of our parks, monuments, or historic sites change us? Jack will discuss what's available in Arizona (of the 400+ units of the National Park System, 21 are in Arizona, plus 30 state parks), what each has to offer, and why they are such great places to visit, not once, but over and over again. After hearing this talk, you will want to visit them all, and never want to stay home again. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served. \$15 per lecture. A portion of the proceeds supports our education and preservation programs. Please call for reservations and future dates, 520-398-2252.

Teodoro 'Ted' Ramirez Artist-in-Residence Concert Series: Canciones Mexicanas - A Southwest Celebration – Sunday, November 20, 2 pm

Music is the heart and soul of Mexico. Artist-in-residence Teodoro "Ted" Ramirez presents an amazing group of master musicians as part of his annual Mexican Music celebration concert. Please join us to enjoy the classic songs of Mexico, in all their variety and performed by master musicians. You will hear romantic *boleros*, historic *corridos*, dynamic *huapangos*, powerful *son jarocho*, and much more. Teodoro "Ted" Ramirez, Bobby Benton with Ed Cordova, and John Contreras with "Trio Jarocho" will make the 1885 schoolhouse ring with joyous song! Don't miss this wonderful, power-packed concert! Tickets are \$20, children 14 and under are free. Seating is limited, so please make your reservations early, 520-398-2252.

Thanksgiving Day, November 24

The Tubac Presidio State Historic Park will be open on Thanksgiving from 9 am to 5 pm. If you want to show visiting friends or relatives one of the finest historical parks in Arizona, we are ready to welcome you. Happy Thanksgiving! \$5 Adult, \$2 youth 7-13, children free.

Chocolate! 1000 Years and Counting - Friday, November 25, 10 am to 1 pm

Come discover the rich history of chocolate in the Southwest. Taste a cacao bean, learn how the Mayans and pre-Columbian Native Americans prepared their chocolate, and sample the energy drink that fueled the 1774 and 1775 Anza expeditions from Tubac to Alta California. Included with park admission, \$5 adult, \$2 youth, children free.

Living History: Spinning, Saturday, November 26, 10 am – 1 pm

Spinning is one of the oldest surviving crafts in the world. The tradition of weaving traces back to Neolithic times – approximately 12,000 years ago. Watch and learn how fiber and spinning impacted human activity from ancient to modern times. A knowledgeable volunteer will demonstrate how the spinning wheel produces thread from fiber, and you are welcome to experience spinning with a drop spindle. Included with park admission, \$5 adult, \$2 youth 7-13, children free.

Walking Tour of Old Tubac, Saturday, November 26, 10 am - Noon

Come explore colorful Old Tubac that even some of the locals don't know about! Guided by Connie Stevens, you'll discover fascinating facts about the town's early adobe buildings and learn about Arizona's first European settlement. Topics from early Native American inhabitants, Spanish explorers, American pioneers, Apache attacks, kidnappings, and other exciting episodes are discussed. Meet at the Park's Visitor Center. Allow 2 hours for the tour and wear walking shoes, sunscreen and a hat. \$10 fee includes admission to tour the Presidio Park. Tour limited to 20; reservations requested, 520-398-2252 or info@TubacPresidio.org.

Concert: Nuevo Mundo, Saturday, November 26, 2 pm

Come with your houseguests, friends, and neighbors and enjoy festive music from the Old and New World. Start your holiday season by celebrating the history of our local culture! Hear works by Morales, Guerrero, Padilla, our good friend Anonymous, and others. Nuevo Mundo, Cochise College's early music ensemble, specializes in the performance of early vocal and instrumental music of Spain and the Americas and has delighted Tubac audiences for the past four years. They are hugely talented and a delight to see and hear. Proceeds from the concert will be divided between the Cochise College Music Scholarship Fund and the Friends of the Tubac Presidio and Museum. Tickets \$15, free for children 14 and younger. Seating is limited, please call now for reservations, 520-398-2252.