

Parsons Memorial Lodge Summer Series



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Saturday, July 29

Reseeding the Future

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

A talk by Rowen White, seed keeper and farmer from the Mohawk community of Akwesasne and a passionate activist for indigenous seed and food sovereignty

Sunday, July 30

Finding Hope in the High Country

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Award-winning author Pam Houston discusses her memoir *Deep Creek: Finding Hope in the High Country*.

Saturday, August 5

World of Wonders: In Praise of Fireflies, Whale Sharks, & Other Astonishments

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Bestselling author Aimee Nezhukumatathil muses about a sense of place and wonder in the natural world.

Sunday, August 6

Giant Sequoias and Vulnerability in the Pyrocene

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

A talk by Garrett Dickman, Forest Ecologist, Yosemite National Park

Saturday, August 12

Alpine Inspiration: A Wellness Retreat in the Meadows

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Mindfulness practice with Heather Sullivan, Executive Director and co-founder of Balanced Rock; bring a yoga mat or blanket, pen and paper, water, and appropriate layers of clothing.

Acoustic Merriment with The Musers

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

An afternoon of music with the “Free Range” folk quartet from Sonoma County

Sunday, August 13

Nature Swagger: Stories and Visions of Black Joy in the Outdoors

2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

A talk of adventure by Rue Mapp, founder and CEO of Outdoor Afro

Saturday & Sunday, August 19 & 20

27th Annual Tuolumne Meadows Poetry Festival

Morning workshops and afternoon readings with music featuring poets Marcelo Hernandez Castillo, Forrest Gander, Rosemerry Wahtola Trommer, and musician Shira Kammen

Saturday Workshop 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

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Sunday Workshop 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. with Forrest Gander

Readings 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.



Allow 30 minutes walking time to Parsons Memorial Lodge from either Lembert Dome parking area or the parking lot east of the Tuolumne Meadows Visitor Center. Admission is free.

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