

# FREE TIME ACTIVITIES & DO IT YOURSELF ACTIVITIES

## What to do

The Lander Rotary Club has organized structured activities for a variety of interests. We encourage you to explore the Lander area and have built 3-hour activity blocks into the itinerary for each day!

- Art District Tour
- Birds of the Valley
- Nature Hike
- Guided Mountain Biking
- Guided Rock Climbing at Sinks Canyon
- Historic South Pass Tour

## If you are a *Do It Yourself* kind of person, here are Self-Guided activity suggestions:

Museum of the American West

Pioneer Museum

Shopping - park at the Lander Visitor Center and walk Main Street for excellent shopping.

In-town walking paths

-Lander's River Walk

-Tomato Loop

Beer tasting at the brewery

Children's Museum

Evans Dahl Museum (hunters, you will be intrigued)

Hike Sinks Canyon to the Popo Agie Falls (map provided)

Sinks Canyon and Louie Lake Loop Road Driving Tour map (provided)

Red Canyon Driving Tour map (provided)

[Red Desert Tour](#) map

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## Activities - Details below

### Thursday afternoon

Service Project

Nature Hike (15 slots)

### Friday afternoon

Service Project (50 slots)

Eagle Bronze Tour (20 slots)

Lander's Art Scene Tour

Nature Hike (15 slots)

Birds of the Valley tour (12 slots) - \$20

Rock Climbing (10 slots) - \$75

Mountain Biking (8 slots) - \$20 / \$65 with bike rental

South Pass Mine Tour (35 slots) - \$20

### **Saturday afternoon**

Service Project

Screen Printing Class - two 1-hours classes - (5 people per hour) \$35

Nature Hike (15 Slots)

Birds of the Valley tour (12 slots) - \$20

Rock Climbing (10 slots) - \$75

Mountain Biking (8 slots) - \$20 / \$65 with bike rental

South Pass Mine Tour (35 slots) - \$20

### **Lander's Art Scene: At the Confluence of Culture and Style**

Get behind the scenes of Lander's vibrant and diverse art world. Enjoy artwork spanning the Western canon from traditional wildlife motifs and works by local Native American artists, to contemporary screen printing. Tour the private studios of some of Lander's most talented artists. This is the ultimate tour for art enthusiasts, eager shoppers, and anyone interested in the unique cultural artistic landscape of Lander, Wyoming. The tour will cover a three block radius of Lander's downtown area and guests will be provided a comprehensive map of additional points of interest.

Gain a unique insider's perspective of the Lander art scene from anthropologist and former Lander Art Center Director, Stacy Stebner.

Friday: June 10, 2022: 2-4 pm, Eagle Bronze Tour

Up to 20, If we have more than 20 we can schedule a second staggered tour

Meet at Foundry parking lot: 130 Poppy St., Lander, WY 82520

Take a tour of Eagle Bronze; a world-renowned foundry producing bronze sculpture and stainless steel fine art since 1985. See small and large scale sculptures in all stages of production for both local clients and buyers abroad. Some local works of public art include a grizzly bear near the Museum of the American West, a pronghorn by the One Shot Antelope Hunt headquarters, and the tiger in front of Lander Valley High School.

See article by MJ Clark featured in Wind River Country for more information on Eagle Bronze and the casting process: [Wind River Country Article](#)

Saturday: June 10, 2022: 2-4 pm Lander Art District Tour

No limit to numbers

Meet at Snow Deep Design, 290 Washakie St., Lander, WY 82520

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- Gallery/Museum list & location sheets will be passed out to include additional locations and POIs.
1. Snow Deep Designs - (parking) Dannine will do a demo
  2. Lander Art Center
  3. Sweetwater Studio - Nancy Ebbert, Noelle Weimann van Dijk, Jenny Reeves Johnson (on board - artists working and available for questions)
  4. Alchemy: An Artists' Cooperative plus studio tours upstairs with artists & Lori Hunter, Lander Art District
  5. Rebound: The Art of Repurposing
  6. Lander Bake Shop - final stop, exhibition featuring work by local Native American artists, hopefully Colleen Friday and Talissa Abeyta will be working on mural. May invite Al Hubbard to join the exhibition.

Saturday: June 11, 2022: 2-4pm

Meet at Snow Deep Design, 290 Washakie St., Lander, WY 82520

5 people max per hour, 2 sessions and can attend both sessions.

Learn the art of screen printing from a Master Printer, Dannine Donaho at Snow Deep Designs

Choose from an assortment of Dannine's designs and learn how to screen print onto card stock or a tee shirt.

Screen Printing Class

2 classes

2 pm Print Cards Class (for one hour)

3 pm Print a T-shirt Class (for one hour)

\$35 each hour/class includes paper or t-shirt

Designs will pertain to summer in Wyoming

### **Nature Hike**

Hike and explore one of Lander's many public lands with views into the high country and across the valley.

Central Wyoming College's Alpine Science Institute is situated at a geographic crossroad, separating lush river valley and geologic transition zone at the mouth of Sinks Canyon, the local entrance to the southern end of the Wind River mountain range.

The short hike will introduce you to the Popo Agie River (don't worry, we'll teach you how to pronounce it), hike the red rock sandstone zone to a ridge that provides excellent views of Sinks Canyon and a peek at the most remote mountain range in the lower 48. Local naturalists will explain the geology of the area, as well as local flora and general ecology. As the trail dips down to lush pasture, the group will meet a representative from the CWC Farm program for a tour of the orchard and Farm Incubator facilities. The approximately 3 mile walk is entirely on trail and is rated easy.

Sinks Canyon has developed mountain bike trails too. This is a nice place to take a ride across the pasture and up along the sandstone.

### **Birds of the Valley**

Tour our local Raptor Center to meet some rescue large birds and birds in residence. Game and Fish biologist Frank Stelter along with other active birders will introduce native birds that frequent our area, as well as those that are annual residents. Visit wetland areas to glass seasonal birds.

### **Mountain Biking**

Local mountain and gravel bike connoisseur Mike Dicken, also a long-time employee of Gannett Peak Sports and owner of Wind River Shuttle, will lead mountain bike excursions at [Johnny Behind the Rocks](#), managed by the Bureau of Land Management. Lander's go-to local trails especially good for winter, spring and fall outings, JBR is a beautiful landscape featuring soft white sand, juniper hills and glorious views up towards Wind River Peak, the highest peak in the southern Winds. Bikes are provided for all participants. If you have your own and want to bring it, simply let us know!

### **Rock Climbing**

The Lander area hosts one of the largest North American concentrations of Dolomite Limestone and has become a world-class destination for Rock Climbers. In fact, we boast the longest running Climber's Festivals in the world every July! Wind River Climbing guides work with climbers of all levels of experience. If you're a climber and have never seen Sinks Canyon, you don't want to miss this one!

Wind River Climbing Guides Becca and Kyle are Certified guides who offer professional and experienced instruction. All equipment is provided, no experience necessary. Open to ages 5 and up. Simply meet them at the Sinks Canyon "Main Wall" parking area ~15 minutes from Downtown Lander.

### **South Pass Mine Tour**

We will meet at the Lander Community Center and bus up to South Pass City, a restored old gold mining town which competed with Cheyenne to be the State Capitol. From There we will go to visit the Carissa Mine.

In the late 1860s, miners discovered gold in the South Pass City area at 8,000 feet elevation, and the city roared to life—lives and booms centered around the Carissa Mine. After a number of boom and bust cycles and nearly 100 years, the Carissa Mine finally ended operations permanently in 1956.

Part of the tour involves steep stairs and it's not recommended for children under the age of 8. You'll hear the machines rumbling that pulverized the rock and watch the systems as it pushes the gold through the process .

After the tour we will head to South Pass City for a short, self-guided walking tour of the town, with opportunities to visit the 40 historic buildings that comprise Historic South Pass City, which is one of the best-preserved gold mining towns in the American West. Afterwards the bus will return to the Lander Community Center.

## **DIY**

- Museum of the American West
- Shopping
- In-town walking paths
- Visitor Center
- Wind River Country Driving tours of the Loop Road, Red Canyon, and Wind River Reservation
- Fort Washakie cultural center
- Wild Horse Rescue
- Fly fishing: public access maps will be provided in your welcome packet with contact information for local guides.