



## SANDSTONE RANCH VISITORS & LEARNING CENTER

3001 Sandstone Drive | Longmont, CO 80504 | 303-651-8404

### Visitors Center Hours:

Wednesdays, 9am to noon, May 6 through Aug 26.

Saturdays 10am-2pm, 2nd & 4th Saturdays, Mar 14 through Oct 24

*No pets allowed at the center or on trails due to wildlife.*

## Discover a treasure of nature & history, just outside your door.

- » Hands-on displays
- » Early Longmont history
- » Nature Trail
- » Scenic overlook
- » Visitors Center with free admission

» [LongmontColorado.gov/SandstoneEvents](http://LongmontColorado.gov/SandstoneEvents)

## Directions to Sandstone Ranch Visitors Center:

The Visitors Center is located on Sandstone Drive, east of County Line Road and just off Highway 119. Turn south on Sandstone Drive, past the ball fields and follow the signs for the Visitors Center/Trailhead Parking Lot. If you park at the upper parking lot, the trail on the west side takes you down the hill to the Visitors Center. Handicapped parking is available next to the Visitors Center.

## Volunteering at Sandstone Ranch:

Sandstone Ranch depends volunteers to run our programs! We need volunteers for open house hours, gardening, school field trips, and nature and history programming. If you love nature, gardening and/or history and enjoy working with the public, this is a great volunteer opportunity. For more information, contact Kirsten at [sandstone.ranch@longmontcolorado.gov](mailto:sandstone.ranch@longmontcolorado.gov)

## Group Tours:

Schedule a group tour or program for your organization, class, or camp. Topics include Longmont History, natural history, Front Range ecology and more. For more information, contact Kirsten at [sandstone.ranch@longmontcolorado.gov](mailto:sandstone.ranch@longmontcolorado.gov)

## PROGRAMS AT SANDSTONE RANCH

Parking next to the Visitors Center is very limited. Thank you for parking in the upper parking lot. Handicap parking available in front of the Visitors Center. Pre-register each person attending online or by calling 303-774-4700. A suggested donation of \$4/person exists for all programs unless otherwise noted. Registration is required.

### Winter Nature Fridays

Family exploration and fun at Sandstone with winter nature themes. Craft, nature walk and Storytime. Drop in. Parents/Guardians free.

**3 & up: Friday, 9am-12pm** 106851

**Dec 26 | Jan 30 | Feb 13 | Mar 20**

Child Fee: \$5 resident/\$6.25 non-resident

### Nature Exploration with Longmont Rangers

Explore the ecosystem of Sandstone Ranch with the Longmont Rangers! These programs will bring out the outdoor naturalist in you! Geared towards 8 and up but all are welcome. Outdoor program; please dress appropriately. **"SSR"**

**All Ages: Saturday, 10-11:30am** 106104

**Jan 17 Winter Wildlife Detectives**

**Feb 7 Birds of a Feather**

### Nature Journaling

No need to be an accomplished artist; if you wish to be more observant of nature or just like being outdoors, then this program is designed for you! If we have very cold weather, the program will be moved into the Sandstone Ranch Visitors Center. Materials included.

**14 & up: Jan 24 or Feb 14,**

**Sat, 12-2pm** 106852

**Mar 21, Sat, 12-2pm** 206852

Fee: \$5 resident/\$6.25 non-resident



### Guided Bird Walks

Local birder, Carl Starace, guides you around the loop trail as you explore the variety of birds that pass through or call Sandstone Ranch home. Bring binoculars. Each person attending must register.

**10 & up: Mar 24 or Mar 31,**

**Tue, 9:30am-12pm** 206206

### Astronomy Night & Star Party

A night with the stars! Includes a presentation from Longmont Astronomical Society on different astronomical phenomena. Members of Longmont Astronomical Society will be there with telescopes for viewing. All ages welcome. Registration is required.

**All Ages: Mar 21, Sat, 6:30-9:30pm** 206401

### History House Tours

Enjoy a 90-minute tour inside and outside (weather permitting) the historical Coffin Family Home. Learn about the Coffin family, and what life was like in the 1800s for homesteaders and other groups of people in the area.

**13 & up: Mar 28, Sat, 10:30am-12pm**

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### Volunteer Opportunities Social

Do you like nature, Longmont history, wildlife, people, working with children, or just being out at Sandstone Ranch? Join us for refreshments and learn about the many ways you can volunteer. Stay and explore the house and grounds afterwards during the open house hours.

**18 & up: Mar 14, Sat, 8:30 am-10 am**

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