



May Arboretum Report February 2025 – March 2025

Highlights

- ◆ Gardens are closed for reservations for the season
- ◆ 2 Arboretum staff members became OSHA 10 certified

May Arboretum Environmental Educational Programs

- ◆ Little sprouts and homeschool programs paused for Winter break
- ◆ Arboretum Education Intern job posted and conducting interviews
- ◆ Arborist apprenticeship program with Soulful Seeds continues to educate
- ◆ May Arboretum Society Educator has been going to Stead Elementary School to teach about pollinators

Arboretum Operations

- ◆ 65 yards of donated mulch from local arborists was spread throughout the Arboretum
- ◆ One seasonal termed off for the year.
- ◆ 2 memorial bricks sold
- ◆ 1 tour given
- ◆ Approx. 1,000 seeds planted in the greenhouse for this season
- ◆ Find an electrician to install a new controller in the Greenhouse
- ◆ Removal of dead trees and branches to ensure safety in Arboretum and Great Basin Adventure
- ◆ John Crandell Tree Service
- ◆ 10 Trees and 10 shrubs were donated to the Arboretum from the May Arboretum Society to be planted in the park.



May Museum Report – February 2025 - March 2025

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- ◆ The museum hosted an open house day for County staff, seeing over 600 attendees and dozens of WCSD teachers (more than double the prior year) touring the Lost World of Dragons exhibit.
- ◆ The museum is now trialing a Birthday Party booking program during exhibits.

Attendance

- ◆ 3,739 attendees (Feb. 1st – Mar.15th)

Reservations

- ◆ 25 Field Trips booked through March 30th.
- ◆ 16 facility rentals confirmed through end of FY (May 1st - July 1st).

Community Bridges

- ◆ The May Museum is now part of UNR ASUN's Pack Friendly Business Program offering student discounts.
- ◆ The May Museum now offers military discounts on admission to service members.
- ◆ The May Museum was filmed in March for an upcoming Amazing America TV spot on must-see locales.
- ◆ The May Museum was featured as part of a video promo with Curator Wes Jahn for UNR's College of Liberal Arts to showcase application of CLA Degrees to incoming students.
- ◆ The Museum hosted a community training day for Guide Dogs for the Blind.
- ◆ The Museum hosted an awareness day for Girls Scouts of Sierra Nevada.
- ◆ The museum is hosting an open house day for foster children in partnership with the Rennervation Foundation.
- ◆ The museum hosted a collection painting day for Nevada Fine Arts.

Staffing

- ◆ Assistant Curator Wes Jahn promoted to Curator.
- ◆ 2x student interns taken on through UNR's History Program.
- ◆ 1x intern taken on through Nevada Vocational Rehabilitation.



Figure 1: The Rennervation Foundation offers support to foster children and at-risk youth.



Figure 2: An open house day through the Rennervation Foundation offering families a chance to see the Lost World of Dragons exhibit.



Figure 3: Nevada Fine Arts spend a rainy day sketching and painting the Wilbur D. May Collection.



Figure 4: Two interns through UNR's history program get hands-on experience in museum archiving.



Figure 5: Guide Dogs in training get time around crowds and test their focus among roaring dragons.