Permanent Exhibits

Hall of Exploration and Settlement

Journey through 100 years in the High Desert in the Spirit of the West.

By Hand Through Memory

Learn about the resistance and resilience of Native people in the face of significant changes during the 20th century.

Desertarium

Encounter reptiles, amphibians and other High Desert creatures.

Autzen Otter Exhibit

Visit our resident otters in their habitat.

Donald M. Kerr Birds of Prey Center

See raptors up close.

Miller Family Ranch

Step back in time to 1904 and see how settlers lived. You might just run into some of the characters who lived there.

Changing Forest

Learn how fire impacts High Desert forest.

Whose Home?

Young children are invited to explore secret hiding places, fossils and tracks.

Changing Exhibits

Located in the Spirit of the West Gallery, Brooks Gallery and Collins Gallery.

Dining & Shopping

Rimrock Café

Enjoy lunch or a snack in the café or on the terrace.

Silver Sage Trading

Find unique books, gifts, jewelry and toys in the Museum store.



The High Desert Museum opened in 1982 with a guiding principle that education and experience are the basis for thoughtful decisions. Today we strive to be the preeminent resource for exploring the historic and contemporary relationships between people and the High Desert landscape.



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SUMMER HOURS 9:00 am-5:00 pm April 1 through October 31

WINTER HOURS 10:00 am-4:00 pm November 1 through March 31









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