PARTNERING WITH YOUR PARK

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The Olympic Peninsula

[Map showing the Olympic National Park, Seattle, and Tacoma]
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How did the North Olympic Library System and Olympic National Park connect?
The Elwha River

Elwha River Dam

Glines Canyon Dam on the Elwha River
The Elwha River as Catalyst

River Story
On Exhibit
June 1—September 8

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Streaming a stream of returning salmon to view exhibit, casual strolls during the day. Library.
Along the way, pause to explore an immersive library, move to great books and other world
travel via images from the powerhouse of the
Elwha dams before their removal.
River Story is made possible through the generous support of the Port Angeles Friends of the Library, and in partnership with:
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Flowing from the heart of the Olympic Mountains for 70 miles to the Sea, the Elwha River has helped to shape the history of the region for thousands of years. Today, the river story is a tale of rugged mountain terrain.

During its long history, the Elwha River has provided water, food, shelter, transportation, power, recreation, education, spiritual identity, and inspiration to generations of people who have lived near the river and to countless visitors from around the world.

In the early 1900s, the Elwha Dam was built in two locations, clearing the spawning migration of humpbacked Pacific salmon. In September 2011, the dams began to come down, and a river which flowered in a very special way once more begins.

River Story is a unique collection of resources, information, art, education, and performance, brought together for the first time through the collaboration of hundreds of organizations, agencies, and volunteers.

River Story celebrates a beautiful river ofApples, watershed, and tells the Elwha River's dramatic tale of renewal, restoration, and transformation.

The North Olympic Library System is delighted to make this remarkable exhibit available to the public throughout the summer of 2014.

River Story Program Schedule

Friday June 1 6:30pm
Opening Reception for the River Story Exhibit
Lower Elwha Drum and Dance Group

Monday June 11 7pm
Finding the River: An Environmental History of the Elwha
An author talk by Jeff Crance presented by Port Book and News

Tuesday June 12 7pm
Voices of the Elwha
A celebration of voices, reading poetry inspired by the Elwha River.

Wednesday June 20 7pm
What's Happening Now! Introduction to Elwha River Restoration
Dean Butterworth, ONP Outreach & Education Specialist

Thursday June 28 7pm
Cultural Resource Protection and Management in the Elwha
Dave Conna, ONP Chief of Cultural Resources, and staff
This public is invited to drop in to talk with park archeologists and anthropologists in this informal poster session.

Saturday June 30 10am
River Fun Family Activity Day
Join the fun in a unique and challenging way sea kayak and watch salmon spawning along the Elwha.

Friday July 13 7pm
River Music
The Edmonds Concert Band and various other ensembles perform music inspired by the Elwha River.

Saturday July 14 10am
River Fun Family Activity Day
Join the fun in a unique and challenging way sea kayak and watch salmon spawning along the Elwha.

Thursday July 19 7pm
Welcome Home! Fish Restoration in the Elwha
Sam Bremner, ONP Fisheries Biologist

Monday July 30 7pm
Return of the River: The Making of a Documentary
With filmmakers Jessica Plumb and John Gunman

Friday August 3 7pm
River Blast! (a special Art Beat event)
Funky hip hop jup with 20 RiverCold

Wednesday August 8 7pm
Re-vegetating the Reserve
Joshua Cheenestoth, ONP Restoration Botanist

Friday August 10 7pm
Dana Lynn in concert
Folksy, funny, and heartfelt music to warm the soul.

Wednesday August 22 7pm
Scientific Research in the Lower Elwha
Jerry Freilich, ONP Scientific Research Coordinator

Photographs for use in library publicity may be taken at River Story events.
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Poetry Workshop and Hike
Elwha Hike and Poetry Workshop

Liability Waiver

I hereby state that I wish to participate in the Elwha Hike and Poetry Workshop offered by the North Olympic Library System. I recognize any outdoor activity may involve certain dangers, including but not limited to the hazards of traveling in mountainous terrain, accidents or illness in remote places, force of nature, and the actions of participants and other persons. I further understand and agree that without some program providing protection of its assets and its employees, the North Olympic Library System would not be able to offer such activities.

In registering for the Elwha Hike and Poetry Workshop event, I agree to RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY the North Olympic Library System and its employees from any and all liability, claims and causes of action arising out of or in any way connected with my participation, or the participation of any minor that I am signing on behalf of, in this activity offered by the North Olympic Library System. This includes but is not limited to all liability claims and causes of action in any way connected to the actions or inactions of any North Olympic Library System employees, service providers, and or volunteers.

I personally assume all risks in connection with this activity. The terms of this agreement shall serve as a release and indemnity agreement for my heirs, personal representative, and for all members of my family, including any minors.

I have read this release and indemnity agreement and have fully informed myself of its contents before I have signed it.

Full Name of Participant (printed):

Signature of Participant: ______________________   Date: ______________

Emergency Contact Name: ________________________________________

Emergency Contact Phone Number: ________________________________

Lots to Plan!

• What contracts are needed for presenters and participants?
• How well do you know the trail?
• How will everyone get there?
• Is the trailhead in a fee area?
• What supplies will you provide? What are participants expected to bring?
• What will you do in case of an emergency?
Poetry Workshop and Hike
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Successful Partnership Programs
Listen Up! Stories from the NW Corner
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SHARE YOUR PARK!

Interview Questions
What is your earliest memory of a national park?
What is your favorite memory of a national park?
What are your hopes for the future of national parks?
Who took you to your first national park?
How has a national park changed you?
What inspires you about a national park?
Was visiting a national park a part of your childhood?
How frequently do you visit a national park?
What is the most unique experience you’ve had in a national park?
What is your favorite national park?
Is there a national park you’re most excited to visit in the future?

Help preserve the history of Clallam County by sharing your story with the Library!

Share your favorite national park memories in March as NOLS joins the National Park Service in its 100th anniversary celebrations. The Library will collect and feature stories from local residents at the following locations and dates:

PORT ANGELES MAIN LIBRARY
March 28 & 30
FOXIS BRANCH LIBRARY
March 29
SEQUIM BRANCH LIBRARY
March 31

All Listen Up! Interviews will take place by appointment only. Interviews will be conducted with the participant and an interview partner. Completed recordings will be archived and available for listening on the Washington Land Heritage website.

CALL, EMAIL OR VISIT THE LIBRARY TO SCHEDULE YOUR INTERVIEW TODAY!

More Information
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Earliest Memories
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DIY Listening Station

• iPad with software lock
• iPad stand w/ cable lock
• Wi-Fi Hotspot for remote use
• Headphones and 3.5mm cord splitter and extension
• 3M self-adhesive hooks for headphones
• Compact surge protector
• Custom sign printed in-house
Poetry Walks
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Five self-guided trails connecting poetry & nature in Olympic National Park

APRIL 1 - MAY 31
HALL OF MOSSES TRAIL
LIVING FOREST TRAIL
MADISON FALLS TRAIL
PEABODY CREEK TRAIL
SPRUCE RAILROAD TRAIL

For more information, visit www.nols.org.

This program is generously supported by the Port Angeles Friends of the Library.
Poetry Walks

Spellbound by Emily Bronte

The night is darkening round me,
The wild winds coldly howl.
But a tyrant spell has bound me
And I cannot, cannot go.
The giant trees are bending.
Their bare boughs weigh with snow.
And the storm is fast descending.
And yet I cannot go.
Clouds beyond clouds above me.
Waves beyond waves below.
But nothing deep can reach me.
I will rest, cannot go.
A Solitary Bird by Carlos Castaneda

The conditions of a solitary bird are five:
The first, that it flies to the highest point,
The second that it does not suffer for company,
Not even from its own kind,
The third that it points its beak to the sky,
The fourth that it has no definite color,
The fifth, that it sings very softly
An Imposed Evolution by Linus Waddell

2015 NOLS Student PoetrySLAM Runner-up

A facile farewell, bereft of all worth,
Without sentiment, nor touch of unease;
Through inward anguish — a lightening breeze;
Long-concealed notions readily brought forth,
A long-ruminated leap for the North;
Flee, hastily, from the sultry degrees,
Burdensome trek of sanguine escapes
With hope to forge a fresh home on this Earth.
Nary a thought did find form on that trip
Of the land that was left and forsaken;
To a finer place, our convoy did slip,
Thirsting for life, avidity shaken.
Only possessing this citizenship
Could we, at long last, truly awaken.
Poetry Walks

The Living Poets Trail and Rainbow Creek Trail begin at the Clover Park National Park Visitor Center in Port Angeles and offer steeped 0.3 mile trails. In the spring, Jay’s columbine, a native plant found only in Olympic National Park, adds a splash of color to the landscape. In the fall, the trail is filled with brilliant displays of colors.

This trail is located in the middle of the park and crosses a meadow near the old Gnarly Creek Campground. The trail is named for the nearby Living Poets Trail and Rainbow Creek Trail.

Free information about the park and other areas of Olympic National Park can be found at the visitor center or by contacting the park’s central visitor center.

Featured Poets:
- Kimberly Blain
- Emily Bronte
- Robert Burns
- Robert Frost
- Emily Dickinson
- D.H. Lawrence
- Walt Whitman

April 1 – May 31: NOLS Poetry Walks are soldier partners with Olympic National Park to offer a unique look at poetry walks. For a self-guided walk on Olympic National Park trails, visitors will be able to join in a guided hike at the park.

Major Natural Parks:
- Olympic National Park
- Mount Rainier National Park
- Mount St. Helens National Park
- Mount Shasta National Park
- Crater Lake National Park
- Yosemite National Park
- Zion National Park
- Grand Canyon National Park
- Shenandoah National Park
- Yellowstone National Park
- Everglades National Park
- Acadia National Park

FIND YOUR PARK

Interested in exploring Olycian National Parks? Check out our favorite stops!

Trail Information:
- Hoh Rainforest Area
- Hurricane Ridge

Poetry Information:
- Lost of Eastern Trail Poetry in NOLS publication

Related Information:
- NOLS Poetry Walks
- NOLS Poetry Project
Poetry Walks

668 by Emily Dickinson

"Nature" is what we see—
The Hill—the Noon—
Squirrel—Eclipse—the Bumble bee—
Nay—Nature is Heaven—
Nature is what we hear—
The Robbins—the Sea—
Thunder—the Cricket—
Nay—Nature is Harmony—
Nature is what we know—
Yet have no art to say—
So impotent Our Wisdom is—
To her Simplicity.
Poetry Walks

NOLS invites you to write your own poem when visiting the Poetry Walk trails. Save your poem as a bookmark, share it with NOLS staff or post it to the Library's Facebook page!

Take the Trail of Poet Tree, see if you can follow me. Through the trees, you will see lots of Deer and Deer on leaves.

Birds they call. Walk the trail to a waterfall
So much more you will see as you try and follow me. Through the land of Poet tree,

Where moss grows free on all the trees.

Linda Goldstein

NOLS invites you to write your own poem when visiting the Poetry Walk trails. Save your poem as a bookmark, share it with NOLS staff or post it to the Library's Facebook page!

Enormous trees draped in moss
Mother Nature is certainly the God.
Cool showers followed by warm sun.
Oh, my! the Olympic National Park we love you.
Poetry Walks

The Lodges of Olympic National Park and Forest

May 1 at 9:14am

The Poetry Walks - sponsored by the North Olympic Library System - are back for 2017!

Poetry Walks added inducement to get outdoors | Peninsula Daily News

OLYMPIC NATIONAL PARK — A walk in the park can be pure poetry — and now words on four trails in the forest echo the experience.

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1% for TRAILS

Craig Romano

Mountaineers Books
Poetry Walks

“I just came back from a trip to the Olympic Peninsula to see the rain forest with my mom. This was deeply personal and meaningful trip for her (and it was very special that I got to share it with her) and one thing I was especially moved by were the poems displayed in the Hall of Mosses as part of your Poetry Walk program. I saw on your site that people are invited to share any photos or poems from these walks so I am sending you one of my mom and a poem that came to me from the experience. Thank you for this wonderful service to the community!”

“I am from central Iowa. This past Spring my husband and I had the opportunity to travel to Olympic National Park and enjoyed the poetry walks immensely. We and the Fine Arts Council of Mitchell County, IA would like to initiate something similar on our local trails featuring local writers and student work.”
Poetry Walks
Youth Services – Celebrate STEM!
Youth Services – Storytimes in the Park
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Outreach Efforts
Explore Olympic! Backpack Kits

Explore Olympic!
Daypacks Available @ Your Library

Winter is a great time to visit Olympic National Park and Explore Olympic packs are available for check out at all NOLS libraries. The packs are filled with discovery tools for exploring the park, including a trail guide, binoculars, an activity pocket and reading materials for kids. Families who check out a pack will receive a seven-day entrance pass to Olympic National Park through a generous donation by Washington’s National Park Fund.

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Looking Ahead
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A Few Important Lessons Learned

• Look for opportunities outside your normal work
• Start simple – programs can develop over years
• Plan for the worst – risk management is key

• Plan ahead – especially when working with large bureaucracies
• Develop multiple contacts
• Be insistent on coordinating publicity
Mutual Benefits

• Being good neighbors
• Doing more with less, leveraging each others unique abilities
• Good way to tap into different parts of the community
• Can rely on each other when unexpected situations develop
• Make us more appealing to other organizations to partner with
Questions
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