



# National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center Baker City, Oregon

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## Calendar of Programs & Events September 2008

| Sunday                                                  | Monday                                                     | Tuesday                                               | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Thursday                                                     | Friday                                                   | Saturday                                                                      |
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|                                                         | 1<br>Wagon Encampment<br>10:00-2:00                        | 2<br>Phil & Vivian Williams<br>@ 10:30, 12:30, & 2:30 | 3<br>All About Oxen @ 11:00<br>Buffalo @ 2:00                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 4<br>Preparing for the Trail @ 11:00<br>Mountain Man @ 2:00  | 5<br>Gold Mining in E. OR @ 11:00<br>Mountain Man @ 2:00 | 6<br>Women on the OT @ 12:00<br>Starry Night @ 3:00 & 7:00-10:00              |
| 7<br>Going West for Gold @ 10:00<br>Mountain Man @ 2:00 | 8<br>Women on the OT @ 11:00<br>All About Oxen @ 2:00      | 9<br>Buffalo @ 11:00<br>A Miner's Tale @ 2:00         | 10<br>Geology @ 10:00<br>All About Oxen @ 2:00                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 11<br>Preparing for the Trail @ 11:00<br>Mountain Man @ 2:00 | 12<br>Mountain Man @ 11:00 & 2:00                        | 13<br>Women on the OT @ 12:00<br>A Miner's Tale @ 2:00                        |
| 14<br>A Miner's Tale @ 11:00<br>Mountain Man @ 2:00     | 15<br>Going West for Gold @ 10:00<br>All About Oxen @ 2:00 | 16<br>Buffalo @ 11:00<br>A Miner's Tale @ 2:00        | 17<br>Geology @ 10:00<br>All About Oxen @ 2:00                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 18<br>Preparing for the Trail @ 11:00<br>Mountain Man @ 2:00 | 19<br>Tall Tales 9:30-11:30<br>Mountain Man @ 3:00       | 20<br>Women on the OT @ 12:00<br>Mountain Man @ 2:00                          |
| 21<br>A Miner's Tale @ 11:00<br>Mountain Man @ 2:00     | 22<br>Women on the OT @ 11:00<br>All About Oxen @ 2:00     | 23<br>Buffalo @ 11:00<br>A Miner's Tale @ 2:00        | 24<br>Geology @ 10:00<br>All About Oxen @ 2:00                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 25<br>Preparing for the Trail @ 11:00<br>Mountain Man @ 2:00 | 26<br>Mountain Man @ 11:00 & 2:00                        | 27<br>Women on the OT @ 12:00<br>Mountain Man @ 2:00<br><b>FREE FEE DAY**</b> |
| 28<br>Mountain Man @ 11:00 & 2:00                       | 29<br>Going West for Gold @ 10:00<br>Oxen @ 2:00           | 30<br>Buffalo @ 11:00<br>A Miner's Tale @ 2:00        | <p>Programs are subject to change as well as presented upon request depending on staff availability. Please call 541-523-1843 for further information or contact our website at <a href="http://oregontrail.blm.gov">oregontrail.blm.gov</a></p> |                                                              |                                                          |                                                                               |



## Program Descriptions:

**Where the Buffalo (Bison) Roam:** This PowerPoint presentation looks at the quintessential American icon, how we brought the animal to the brink of extinction and where it stands today.

**Geology, Climatology, & its Effects on Plant Communities:** Accompany an Interpreter on a walk around the grounds or relax in our Leo Adler Theater for an interpretive presentation on the geology of Oregon and its effects on climate and the corresponding plant communities.

**All About Oxen:** Take a look into the most prominent beast of burden on the Oregon Trail.

**The Varied & Startling Adventures of a Mountain Man:** Interpreter David Jason tells the story of "Probably" George Malvern in this adventurous living history program.

**Preparing for the Trail:** There were many decisions involved in making the choice to start a new life in Oregon. Explore some of the options, alternatives, and judgments the pioneers faced.

**Going West for Gold:** Explore the history of gold mining in Baker County on a guided walk with center interpreter Jim Collister.

**Women of the Oregon Trail:** Rachael Nickens explores the role of women on the Oregon Trail.

**A Miner's Tale:** This living history presentation gives audiences a first hand look at the life of a mid-19<sup>th</sup> century miner.

**Labor Day Wagon Encampment:** Join in three days of fun at our annual Wagon Encampment! Observe Bullwhackin' Kass with her team of oxen and taste Dutch Oven Style foods prepared over a campfire. See living history interpreters demonstrate crafts and skills, listen to some music, and play with pioneer toys and games. Please call 541-523-1843 for more information.

**Phil & Vivian Williams:** Phil & Vivian Williams perform music to ease a "pioneer's hard day of travel", with traditional acoustic instruments, including guitar, mandolin & gut-strung fretless banjo. Join them for shows at 10:30, 12:30, & 2:30 during our Wagon Encampment.

**Tall Tales:** Experience pioneer tales from the trail along with music, coffee, & more at our Wagon Encampment.

**Gold Mining in E. Oregon:** Join retired Geologist Howard Brooks as he explores the "rich" history of Baker County.

**Starry Night:** Local astronomy buff Ryc Rienks presents a unique educational opportunity for all ages. At 3:00 he will present a "solar program" about our sun, its movements, and the effects this essential star has on our planet. Following this presentation, from 7:00-10:00, Ryc and his three high powered telescopes will introduce you to the celestial bodies contained in the big sky of Eastern Oregon. Call 541-523-1843 for more information.

**\*\*National Public Lands Day:** Come celebrate National Public Lands Day at the Interpretive Center on September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Admission is free and we will be having an outdoor volunteer project for anyone who is interested. Please call 541-523-1843 for more information.

### In the Leo Adler Theater:

Special interest videos on historical subjects, regional interest topics, and natural history shown daily.

### Flagstaff Gallery:

**"Strength in Perspective: Eastern Oregon & the Blue Mountains"** See Baker County and the Blue Mountains through the eye of a camera lens during this professional photography display by Paul and Marilyn Peck beginning September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The cultural, natural, and human footprints made across this land are visible through these beautiful pictures and provide any viewer with insight into the Eastern Oregon way of life!

### Outdoors:

Demonstrations on pioneer crafts and special interest hikes offered depending on weather and availability of interpreters. Check marquee in lobby for daily schedule.

- Open daily except Christmas Day, Thanksgiving, and New Year's Day.
- 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. - April 1 through October 31
- 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. - November 1 through March 31