

HOW TO SIGN UP FOR NCAS STARGAZING EVENTS!

Our public events are shown on our calendar ([Calendar & Events | NoCoAstro](#)). Solar events at Libraries or the museum do not require sign up. Public stargazing events at Poudre Learning Center or FRCC also don't require sign up.

To sign up for our other stargazing events, follow the instructions below:

City of Fort Collins Events:

Includes Fossil Creek Reservoir, Bobcat Ridge, Soapstone Prairie

Go to: [Event Calendar City of Fort Collins](#) and click on "List View." Scroll down until you find our event. Click on the blue button with the date, which will take you to the event page. Then click on "Sign Up." **City of Fort Collins events are free of charge.**

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Event Calendar

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This calendar only includes City-organized events.

Skygazing

Volunteers from the Northern Colorado Astronomical Society provide telescopes and share their knowledge about the star galaxies, and more.

Register for information, updates, an cancellation info. For weather update NCAS website at NoCoAstro.org.

All activities take place in a paved parking area. Very little walking required, accessible and restrooms available.

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Contact
City of Fort Collins Natural Areas Department
970-416-2815
naturalareas@fortcollins.gov

Sign Up
[Sign up in Engage](#)

Fossil Creek Reservoir Natural Area, 3340 Carpenter Road
Tagged as: Recreation and Open Spaces

City of Loveland Events:

Includes Prairie Ridge, Sylvan Dale

Go to: <https://offero.cityofloveland.org/Calendar> Then find the date you are looking for and click on our event. This will open up the "Activity Details" page for the event. There is a sign-up button at the bottom of the page. **City of Loveland events are free of charge.**

< > today April 2026 month week list day

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
	1p EE Training - Canyon Ec		12p EE Training - Canyon E			10a New Docent Training for
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		9:30a EE Training - Canyon				10a Trail Host Training Part 2
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
			9:30a PEEPs Preschool Env 11a PEEPs Preschool Envir			2:30p Community Drum Circ
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
			3p Art in Nature Sketching a 9a Art in Nature Sketching a			8p Astronomy Night with No
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
		1p Earth Day River Cleanup				
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
				8:30p Astronomy Night with	11a Nature Immersion - Ser	

Astronomy Night with NoCo Astronomical Society
Friday, 08 May 2026 | 08:30 PM - 10:00 PM
Sylvan Dale Ranch (2939 N CR 31D)
Natural Areas After Dark - Mixed Ages

Enjoy a night of sky gazing with this casual event exploring the science of astronomy! Members of the Northern Colorado Astronomical Society (NCAS) will have telescopes available to view stars, galaxies, planets, and more. Come see what an up-close view of the night sky over the Rockies will reveal this month!

This event will be held at Sylvan Dale Ranch, which is between mile markers 84 and 83 on West US 34, just before the Big Thompson Canyon. As you near the ranch from the east (Loveland), watch for the covered wagons on the right (north) side of the road. The wagons will signal that you are approaching the ranch entrance. Turn right (north) through the entryway, drive down the hill past the Sylvan Dale horse barn on your right, and continue across the Big Thompson River bridge, then straight, past the old silo, to the large parking area on your right. Look for event signs along the way.

If you miss the first entrance, not to worry, just turn right before the Dam Store, onto County Road 22N, then follow signs to turn left (north) onto County Road 31D, past the Sylvan Dale horse barn and across the Big Thompson River, and at the old silo continue straight to the large parking area on your right.

Dress warmly for cooling evening temperatures and bring binoculars if you have them.

Weather dependent. Registered participants will be notified if the program is canceled, so please pre-register, and if the weather is questionable, check your email before leaving home.

Visit the Northern Colorado Astronomical Society website for other club events:
<https://www.nocoastro.org/>

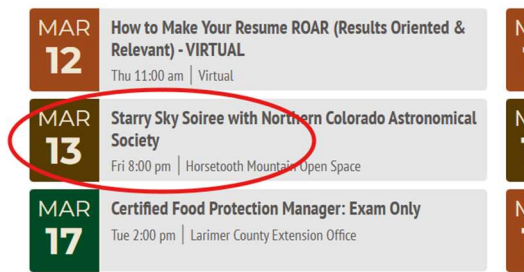
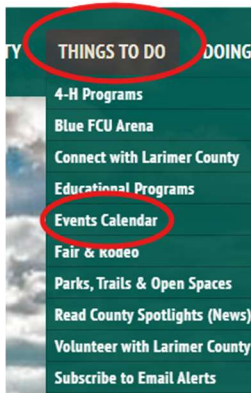
Minimum Participants: 15
Maximum Participants: 60

[Sign Up](#)

Larimer County Events:

Includes Devil's Backbone, Eagles Nest, Hermit Park, Horsetooth Mountain, Ramsey-Shockley, Red Mountain

Go to: [Parks, Open Spaces and Trails | Larimer County](#) and click on "THINGS TO DO" which will open up a pulldown. Then click on "Event Calendar." Navigate to the appropriate date to find our event and click on the title. That will take you to the event page. Click on Register. **Skygazing is free, but Larimer County requires an annual or a daily park pass for entry.**



Starry Sky Soiree with Northern Colorado Astronomical Society

Enjoy an evening with members of the Northern Colorado Astronomical Society over the Rockies. Telescopes will be available for view connect with the wonders of the night sky.

This open house-style program is located at Horsetooth Mountain Open Space. Telescopes will be set up in the paved parking lot. Program encouraged.

Dress warmly for winter evening temperatures (winter hats encouraged).

Weather dependent. Registered participants will be notified.

For up-to-date weather information, visit the NCAS website.

Date & Time Friday March 13, 2026
8:00 pm to 10:00 pm

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Location Info Horsetooth Mountain Open Space

Colorado State Parks Events:

Includes: Lory State Park

Go to: [CPW Connect: Home Page](#). Click on "Search" to open up the calendar, then navigate to the date and select the event. This will take you to the event page, where you can push the "Register" button. **Skygazing is free, but Colorado State Parks require a daily park pass, annual park pass or Keep Colorado Wild pass.**

Colorado Parks and Wildlife - CPW Connect

Welcome to CPW Connect, a complete volunteer management system developed by Square1 Technologies, a Fort Collins Colorado company.

In CPW Connect you can:



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When you volunteer with CPW, you can take on a variety of roles, such as camp host, trail maintenance and construction, and more. Opportunities at state parks, state trails, and by region.

September 2026

Wed			Thu		
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7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18



Activity Details - Stargazing in Lory State Park



Stargazing in Lory State Park Ⓡ Registration Required

📅 Thursday, 03 September 2026 | 🕒 08:00 PM - 11:30 PM
📍 Lory State Park

- All Ages

Please join the Northern Colorado Astronomical Society at the Soldier Canyon Parking Lot for a night of star, galaxy, and planet viewing! This event is heavily weather-dependent and may be canceled due to clouds or rain. Please check your emails and spam folder before leaving for Lory State Park for any updates or cancellations of the event.

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