

Rumblings



Mount St. Helens Institute eNews

Summer is here with record-breaking temperatures in the PNW! As the 99 road opens and access to the monument improves, remember to stay hydrated and that fire danger is high. Together we can keep the monument safe, clean, and fire-free. Now, please enjoy this extra toasty issue of Rumblings, full of news, stories, and unique opportunities to explore Mount St. Helens.

As always, we remain steadfast in our commitment to [bring the volcano to people around the world](#) while improving equity in accessing science, the outdoors and public lands.

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With a Professional Guide and Naturalist



This climb to the rim of Mount St. Helens offers an amazing opportunity to reach the top of the Pacific Northwest's most spectacular volcano and learn about the area's natural and cultural history in the comfort of a guided group.

To the
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Making Mountains Memorable



Creating stunning images of mountains can sometimes be easy; they do all the work by being beautiful and we have only to be there and press the camera's shutter button. More often, though, the images we create fall short of truly capturing the color, power, scale, and depth that inspired us to raise our camera to our eye. The good news is that there are techniques to be practiced which can elevate your photographs from mere snapshots to captivating works of art.

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Chase the Mountain Light with Patrick Aalto



Join Photographer [Patrick Aalto](#) and MSHI on a guided photography hike, exploring the amazing views and the close-up wonders of Mount St. Helens. Patrick will offer expert photography instruction and help build your skills to create more compelling and powerful images.

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Book a Private Family Adventure at Mount St. Helens



Explore a unique side of Mount St. Helens with your family or pod through guided

trips led by the Mount St. Helens Institute. Whether in winter, spring or summer Mount St. Helens has stories to tell! Our private family adventures are designed to inspire your curiosity about Mount St. Helens and increase your comfort exploring the outdoors. Trips are for groups that include youth under the age of 18.

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Join MSHI on the Eruption Hike



Traverse a high ridgeline in the heart of the blast zone and hear first-hand accounts of the eruption on May 18, 1980, 41 years ago. We will hike up to Harry's Ridge, named after the lovable curmudgeon who lived along Spirit Lake, where a clear day reveals the breathtaking panorama of this active volcano. Participation in this hike includes entry to the world-class Johnston Ridge Observatory visitor center.

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The 99 Road is Open!



Forest Road 99, Windy Ridge is now open for the season. Please be aware that winter was hard on things up there and some road and recreation signs are down; it will take Forest Service staff some time to get them all repaired, particularly with the lumber shortage right now.

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Thanks for reading. If you have questions please contact [Jared](#).



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