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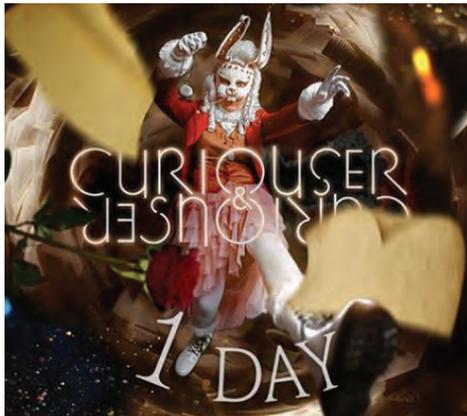
**Virtual
Second Saturdays**
Sept. 12
4:30-8:30 p.m.



Curiouser & Curiouser
Sept. 10 - Oct. 18
PCPA



Census counts end
Sept. 30
<https://2020census.gov/en.html>



THEATERWORKS TO OPEN INTERACTIVE EXPERIENCE IN SEPTEMBER

Curiouser & Curiouser, presented by TheaterWorks, is a new immersive, multisensory, intimate theater production where audience members walk through the world of Alice in Wonderland. This 100-minute immersive experience is available for up to 10 participants per performance with masks, gloves and hand sanitizer available at the start of their journey. Participants get to see Wonderland as Alice would, walking through the rooms to discover scenes and encounter inhabitants. Multiple performances take place Thursday through Sunday beginning Sept. 10 and running until Oct. 18. Ticket prices range from \$36-\$48 and they go on sale Aug. 10. Advance ticket purchases are required for this one-of-a-kind adventure at the Peoria Center for the Performing Arts. For more information or to purchase tickets, contact the box office at 623-815-7930 or visit <https://curiousertheater.org>.

PEORIA UNVEILS PALOMA COMMUNITY PARK

There are many reasons to call Peoria home, but a common factor for everyone is access to more than 740 acres of public open spaces and parks, 27 miles of trails, and the natural beauty of the hills and valleys of the Sonoran Desert. This is the backdrop of our community, contributing to the unique character and landscape of our vibrant city.

We define a community park as one that serves as a destination for residents beyond the surrounding neighborhood. We have seen these amenities elevate the exceptional quality of life that we know and love, and we are proud to offer three outstanding community parks that contribute to our robust parks and trails system.

Pioneer Community Park is an 83-acre park, located at the southern end of our city at 83rd and Olive Avenues. The urban lake attracts anglers near and far, while the six lighted ball fields, playgrounds, splash pads, and dog parks are favored among residents.

Five miles north, at 88th Avenue and Thunderbird Road, is the Rio Vista Community Park. The 52-acre park offers a variety of amenities such as an urban lake, lighted ball fields, volleyball courts, skate park, splash pad, access to our widespread trail system, and the recreation center.

As more and more families are calling north Peoria home, we are proud to unveil the opening of our third community park: Paloma Community Park. Located at Dixileta and Lake Pleasant Parkway (south of the Loop 303), Paloma Community Park is a long time in the making. Situated on land owned by Maricopa County Flood Control, the park has gone through a comprehensive, multi-jurisdictional and community-centric process; a process that resulted in the development and offering of the amenities we heard are most important to Peoria families.

Similar to Rio Vista and Pioneer, Paloma will offer all Peoria residents a broad range of active and passive recreational amenities. The 85 acres of initial park development include multipurpose fields, a fishing lake, multi-generational inclusive playgrounds and splash pad, dog parks, multipurpose sport fields and lighted pickle ball courts. Paloma also includes numerous hard and soft surface walking loops, and a trailhead for access to the West Wing Mountain trail system. Future trail connectivity into the larger New River trail and surrounding open space is already in the planning stages.

Much has changed since we broke ground on this long-awaited park. While many of us have learned to experience our community in new and different ways in the past several months, Peoria remains committed to developing exceptional public services and amenities for all residents to enjoy. To learn more about Peoria's parks, recreation and community facilities, visit www.peoriaaz.gov/parks.

I want to hear your ideas on how to make our city an even better place to live. Share your ideas at mayor@peoriaaz.gov, or stay connected with me on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

— Mayor Cathy Carlat



ELECTION DAY IS TUESDAY, NOV. 3

to learn more, visit <https://recorder.maricopa.gov/elections>.



PEORIA NOW

OCTOBER 2020

COMING SOON

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COUNCIL DISTRICT MAP

Below is a map of Peoria divided into council districts. Each district has an elected councilmember to represent the area. For more information, visit www.peoriaaz.gov/council.

Mayor

Cathy Carlat

Vice Mayor

Michael Finn, Palo Verde

Mayor Pro-Term

Jon Edwards, Willow

Councilmembers

Vicki Hunt - Acacia

Bridget Binsbacher - Mesquite

Denette Dunn - Pine

Bill Patena - Ironwood



EXPLORE PEORIA'S TRAILS



This year has been a rollercoaster and many residents have been cooped up at home for far too long. Whether it was due to the COVID-19 pandemic or the sweltering summer heat, the upcoming cooler months will be a nice relief. With the temperatures beginning to cool down, it is the perfect time to explore or get reacquainted with the Peoria trails. The city of Peoria has four beautiful mountain trails that are open from sunrise to sunset.

- West Wing Mountain is a 3.4-mile loop and is located in the WestWing community. The views are magnificent and the trails are ideal for running as well as hiking. The level of difficulty is moderate; the mountain includes a mix of inclines and narrow pathways. There are areas within the hike that have less elevation, so you can mix a combination of steep inclines with flat pathways. Parking, restrooms and trailhead are located at 27100 Westwing Parkway in West-Wing Park. Look for the prominent trailhead signage for maps and safety tips.
- Sunrise Mountain is the largest trail network, with distances totaling 4.5-miles. While exploring Sunrise Mountain, you can expect to see wildflowers and a sweeping view of Peoria. Parking, restrooms and trailhead are located at 27100 WestWing Parkway in WestWing Park. The trail is rated moderate in difficulty, with well-kept and marked pathways. Crews constructed new trail segments earlier this year and the Trails division is seeking public support in naming these unique passageways.
- East Wing Mountain measures 2.1 miles and is rated moderate for difficulty. It is located in North Peoria in Sonoran Mountain Ranch Park at 7098 W Miner Tr. with parking, restrooms and trailhead signage. The trail is quiet and peaceful, the perfect path to take your time exploring. When you reach the top of East Wing, there is a 360-degree view, which makes for a beautiful sunset or sunrise hike. East Wing is best for a quick yet challenging hike with extensive views of the city and inspiring vistas to the north.
- The last trail is Calderwood Butte and it reaches 1.5 miles. It is also a moderate level in difficulty and offers scenic views. In fact, its view of Peoria is what makes Calderwood Butte stand out; it has 360-degree views with a glimpse of the skyline downtown. Mountain bikers like to utilize the trail, along with the hikers, due to the well-defined trails. Calderwood Butte trailhead parking is located at 27192 N 99th Ave., north of Jomax Road – do note there are no restroom facilities.

No matter which trail you choose, adventure awaits! Be sure to wear appropriate clothing and pack plenty of water. For more information, visit www.peoriaaz.gov/trails.

SCHEDULE YOUR HAZARDOUS WASTE PICKUP



If you are looking to dispose of hazardous waste around your home, Peoria provides by appointment collection for residents with residential solid waste services. Scheduling begins on Sept. 14 and collection dates are from Sept. 30-Oct. 17.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS INCLUDE:

Aerosol cans, household chemicals marked dangerous, auto batteries, paint thinners

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS INCLUDE:

Ammunition, tires, latex paint, prescription drugs

If you would like to schedule a hazardous waste pickup or obtain more information, visit peoriaaz.gov/hhw or call 623-773-7836.