



COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

2024 Annual Conference

October 4 thru October 6, 2024

Courtyard by Marriott, Grand Junction, Colorado

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: CRAIG CHILDS



REGISTRATION FORM

(Print this form, complete it, including the Field Trip section below if interested, and return it with your check to the address below.)

Name _____ Preferred Pronouns _____
Mailing Address _____ Phone _____ Email Address _____

Early registration on or before September 6, 2024	\$75/person _____
Registration after September 6, 2024, before October 3, 2024	\$85/person _____
Student Registration	\$25/person _____
(The above includes day presentations, buffet dinner/reception, keynote speaker)	
Remote/Online Registration (includes day presentations only)	\$40/person _____
In-person Daytime Presentations Only (no buffet/reception, no keynote)	\$45/person _____
Remote/Online Keynote Presentation Only	\$30/person _____
Member Keynote Presentation only	\$20/person _____
Non-member Keynote Presentation Only	\$25/person _____
Guest for Buffet only	\$20/person _____
Taste of Mexico Beef and Chicken Taco Bar + Cash Bar	

TOTAL _____

Fees fund events October 4-5, 2024. CAS charges no fees for field trips.

Field Trips – Sunday, October 6

We are planning four interesting field trips on Sunday. If you are interested in attending one of the trips, please indicate your order of preference next to each field trip.

Note: All Field Trips are available to CAS members only

Field Trips With Leaders

_____ **Lower Monument Canyon Trail to Independence Monument** in The Colorado National Monument, (12 person max., with leaders Gayle Smith and Terri Ahern)

With spectacular views of towering rock formations and sightings of desert bighorn sheep during the fall this 2.5 mile trail (5 miles roundtrip, 500 feet elevation gain/loss) follows the base of sandstone cliffs to the towering Independence Monument rock spire.

Location: From the west entrance of the monument, turn right onto Highway 340 (going east); after 2.1 miles (3.4 km) turn right just beyond mile **marker #5** onto a dirt road that appears to be a driveway; The address for the three-story brown and rock home is **1901 Highway 340**. Go 0.1 mile (0.2 km) to the trailhead. There is a port-a-potty at the trailhead.

Difficulty Level: Moderate, 3 hours minimum

_____ **Shavano Valley Rock Art site:** West of Montrose

(10 person max., with leader Alma Evans)

Owned by the Archaeological Conservancy, Shavano has 37 rock art panels and a prehistoric rock shelter. It was used by Archaic and Ute people from 1000 BCE to 1900 CE.

Meet approximately 60 miles South of Grand Junction via Highways 50 and 550 at the Ute Indian Museum south of Montrose with docent and CAS Chipeta President Alma Evans. She will lead the trip to the site. A \$5.00 donation to the museum will be expected. **Difficulty level:** 3/5, involves scrambling over rocks

Self-Guided Field Trips

_____ McDonald Creek Cultural Area

This is a **self-guided field trip** on Public Lands administered by the BLM. At the Conference, participants will receive trip instructions and literature.

Four panels of Fremont rock art are visible along this 2 mile (one way) trail to the Colorado River along a desert stream bed. It is a relatively easy hike, but does involve some scrambling down rocks.

Driving Directions; Take Hwy 70 approx. 30 miles west of Grand Junction to Exit #2. Go left (South) over the interstate to the Rabbit Valley area. A high clearance vehicle is required. The road may become impassable when wet.

If time allows, north of the highway is the dinosaur "Trail through Time" with in situ bones.

_____ **Canyon Pintado:** This is a **self-guided field trip** on Public Lands administered by the BLM. At the Conference, participants will receive trip instructions and literature.

This is a driving tour with multiple Fremont rock art stops and short hikes located 60 miles North West of Grand Junction over Douglas Pass along Hwy 139.

In Canyon Pintado, you'll explore 8 Ute and Fremont rock art sites dating from 1200 to 1881. The panels are accessible from several short hiking trails. In 1776, fathers Dominguez and Escalante traveled through the Douglas Creek Valley and were amazed at the rock art they found and called the land "Painted Canyon" or Canyon Pintado. Some of the sites are, "Waving Hands", "Kokopelli", and "White Birds". By using D Stretch on your phone, you may be able to uncover more detail.

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A short meeting of trip leaders and participants will be announced on Saturday to answer further logistical questions and finalize times and possible carpooling for Sunday's trips. Waivers will be required.

Mail completed registration form and check (payable to CAS-GJ) to:

PO Box 4853, Grand Junction, CO 81502

Register Online at:

www.coloradoarchaeology.org