

Archaeology Expo

March 14 & 15 - [Pueblo Grande Museum and Archaeological Park](#) 

Arizona Archaeology Expo

Prize raffles, hands-on activities, and over 35 special displays and booths await you at the annual Archaeology Expo.

10 am to 3 pm. Both days are open to the public and **admission to the Expo is FREE.** The Archaeology Expo is sponsored by the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), Arizona State Parks, the Governor's Archaeology Advisory Commission, and the City of Phoenix. Many other partners will be joining together to present a varied format offering two days of educational, hands-on archaeology programs to the public. The Museum will also be free that weekend.

The Expo will offer many educational attractions for archaeology and history buffs and will be held at the Pueblo Grande Museum and Archaeological Park, 4619 E. Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona, on March 14 and 15, 2009 (Saturday and Sunday).

The Expo provides a special opportunity for visitors to learn more about why it is important to preserve archaeological sites and historic places, what archaeologists, historians, and tribal members do in their jobs, and about the prehistory and history of Arizona. Both days will feature archaeology hands-on activities, craft demonstrations, and other fun and educational events. Special displays and booths by over 45 archaeological and historical organizations, museums, Native American tribes, state and federal agencies, and others will allow you to participate as an archaeologist might in their research today, or make crafts that teach how prehistoric Native Americans and other early inhabitants survived in the Southwest. A simulated archaeological excavation, tours of the prehistoric platform mound, ruins stabilization demonstrations, "behind the scene" tours of archaeology labs and artifact collection rooms, and talks by local archaeologists will be special attractions at this year's Expo. Living history re-enactors, storytellers, Native American demonstrators and entertainers, and interactive activities will help make the past come alive! In addition, tours of archaeological sites in and around the local area will be highlighted.



Free prize raffles will occur throughout both days, and ethnic foods will be available for purchase. The Expo will give visitors new insights into Arizona's many prehistoric, historic, and contemporary cultures, and will help instill a sense of stewardship for our state's fragile and nonrenewable heritage resources.

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