



Author John Clark

Thursday, June 20 at 7:30 pm

*Canyon Community Center*

Join John Clark, artist and author of “Opening Zion,” as he uncovers the fascinating history of early tourism in Zion National Park. When Zion Canyon became a national monument in 1909, few people knew of its existence. To encourage tourism, the railroad industry, automobile enthusiasts, and the government blazed trails, built accommodations, and published articles to draw people to this remote and spectacular canyon. In a few short years, tourists responded by the thousands following the path paved by Zion’s publicity pioneers.

The Zion Canyon Field Institute’s Fern and J. L. Crawford Lecture Series is a collaborative presentation of ZCFI and the Division of Resource Management in Zion National Park. This year, the lectures aim to broaden our understanding of our shared heritage within southern Utah, and to encourage and foster a continued culture of preservation. Lectures are hosted monthly and are free and open to the public. The next lecture, “Stewardship of the Built Environment,” will be held on Thursday, July 18 at 7:30 pm.