

FREE LECTURE AT ELECTRIC THEATRE, THURS MAY 2, 7:30 pm - please forward

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ZION NATIONAL PARK FOREVER PROJECT PRESENTS**FREE LECTURE ON JOHN WESLEY POWELL IN ST. GEORGE**

Zion National Park Forever Project presents “Seeing Things Whole: John Wesley Powell and an Understanding of the American West” by author Christa Sadler at the Electric Theatre in St. George, 68 E. Tabernacle, on Thursday, May 2, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. This lecture is free and open to the public.

“As Zion National Park celebrates its Centennial, and as we recognize the 150th anniversary of Powell’s first expedition of the Colorado River, it’s fitting we offer this important lecture in St. George,” said Zion Forever Project Executive Director Lyman Hafen. “Most of the events in our annual lecture series are held in Springdale, at the entrance to Zion National Park,” he added. “We wanted to expand our reach with this timely topic and share it at the historic Electric Theatre in St. George.”

John Wesley Powell recognized inherent problems in our vision of settlement of the West more than a century ago, and his prescient ideas may help guide us into the future. Join author and river guide Christa Sadler as she discusses John Wesley Powell the man, the scientist, the explorer, and the visionary policy maker from her new book “The Colorado,” about the human relationship with the Colorado River Basin.

As a rafting guide on the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon and elsewhere in the region, Christa Sadler has called the rivers of the Colorado River Basin home for more than three decades. She holds a Masters Degree in Earth sciences and paleontology from Northern Arizona University and a Bachelors Degree in physical anthropology from the University of California at Berkeley. Christa has been writing and teaching in the landscapes shaped by the Colorado River since 1988 and has published several books and articles about the region. She can be contacted at www.thisearthpress.com. In conjunction with the lecture Ms. Sadler will be selling copies of her new book, “The Colorado.”

This lecture is part of the Zion National Park Forever Project’s programming celebrating the 100 year anniversary of the designation of Zion as a national park in 1919. The Park’s centennial also coincides with the 150 year anniversary of Major John Wesley Powell’s first Colorado River expedition in 1869.

The Zion National Park Forever Project’s Fern and J. L. Crawford Lecture Series is a collaborative presentation of the Forever Project and the Division of Resource Management in Zion National Park. For more information please call 435-772-3264. Lectures are free and open to the public.

The Zion National Park Forever Project is the official non-profit partner of Zion National Park.

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