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**ARBORETUM AT FLAGSTAFF DOCENT PROGRAM BEGINS MARCH 1**

**--Learn and Teach Northern Arizona Ecology--**

FLAGSTAFF, Arizona. The Arboretum at Flagstaff announces its 2017 Docent Training Program for community members who would like to share their deep love for our northern Arizona landscape with Arboretum visitors. Docents lead daily tours of the Arboretum grounds at 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. from May through October, as well as school tours.

Training and materials are FREE. Classes are held every Wednesday, March 1 - April 26 (except March 15) from 10am-2:15pm. March classes are held at the Coconino Cooperative Extension offices on N 3rd Street in Flagstaff and April classes will be held at The Arboretum at Flagstaff.

Topics include the mission and history of the Arboretum, forest health, conservation, ecology and sustainability, botany and ethnobotany, horticulture and gardening techniques, and much more. A full description of the docent program is available on The Arboretum’s website, [www.thearb.org](http://www.thearb.org).

The Arboretum at Flagstaff is home to 750 species of plants in gardens, greenhouses, and natural habitats and is located 4 miles south of Route 66 on Woody Mountain Road on Flagstaff's west side. The Arboretum offers summer nature camps, school programs, and a variety of other fun and informative events. Admission is $10 for adults; $7 for seniors, and $5 for youth 5 and up. The Arboretum is open daily, except Tuesdays, from 9:00am to 5:00pm, May through October. Visit [www.thearb.org](http://www.thearb.org) for more information.

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