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# FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Deschutes Land Trust announces Nature Nights

Presentation series brings experts to you to explore the natural world.

**Bend, OR**—January 7, 2025—The Deschutes Land Trust announced today its winter Nature Nights series. From wolves to gardening for wildlife, the Land Trust is offering free, monthly presentations on nature-related topics given by experts in their field. Presentations include:

## January 29, 2025: Wolves in Central Oregon

7-8:30pm, Tower Theatre, Bend

Wolves are one of North America's most iconic animals, occupying a unique and complex role in the natural world. Join Deschutes Land Trust and wildlife biologist Aaron Bott to take a closer look at wolves and how they interact with the landscape of Central Oregon. In the last few decades, Oregon has experienced the gradual recolonization of wolves, representing a notable shift in natural systems. These top predators are deeply connected to the lands they inhabit and the other animals that sustain them, exerting influences that are both small and far-reaching. Aaron will explore wolf biology and ecology, focusing on their natural history, adaptations, and roles and behaviors in the natural world within the context of Oregon's recovering wolf population. This presentation is free, but you must get your ticket online.

#### February 24, 2025: Gardening for a Home Wildlife Haven

7-8:30pm, Tower Theatre, Bend

Have you ever wanted to help wildlife in your own yard, but don't know where to start? What plants are the most beneficial? Join Deschutes Land Trust and naturalist Yvonne Babb to learn more about creating a wildlife haven at your own home, regardless of the size. Yvonne will share design principles, soil health, microclimates, key native plants, and more. Get inspired to create a yard that local wildlife—both large and small—will thrive in! This presentation is free and ticket sales open one month prior to the event.

## March 12, 2025: Sailing the Sagebrush Sea

7-8:30pm, Tower Theatre, Bend

Stretching hundreds of miles east from Central Oregon, this expanse of sagebrush desert is home to thousands of species of plants and animals, stores vast amounts of below-ground carbon, and intertwines deeply with multiple cultures and economies. Join the Deschutes Land Trust and Anya Tyson for a talk on the unsung majesty and magic found in sagebrush

desert. Anya will also dive into the trends, challenges, and opportunities that shape this region's future. This presentation is free and ticket sales open one month prior to the event.

Nature Nights are free, but a ticket is required. Please register online: deschuteslandtrust.org

#### **About Deschutes Land Trust:**

The Deschutes Land Trust envisions a future of strong and healthy natural and human communities—where we work together to conserve and care for the lands that make Central Oregon an incredible place to live, work, and grow. As Central Oregon's locally-based, nationally-accredited land trust, the Deschutes Land Trust has conserved and continues to care for more than 18,742 acres since 1995. For more information on the Deschutes Land Trust, contact us at (541) 330-0017 or visit deschuteslandtrust.org.

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Media resources: Nature Night photos.

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