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“David Muench’s National Parks” Comes to the Rio Grande Nature Center State Park

Albuquerque, NM – The Friends of the Rio Grande Nature Center State Park are presenting a talk and book signing by David Muench and Ruth Rudner on Wednesday, December 3, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rio Grande Nature Center State Park. David Muench is one of America’s premier landscape photographers and Ruth Rudner is an award winning outdoor writer. They will present their book, *David Muench’s National Parks*.

“We are excited to celebrate the 50th anniversary year of the Wilderness Act with this special event,” said Park Superintendent Beth Dillingham. “Both David Muench and Ruth Rudner eloquently celebrate our nation’s wilderness in images and words.”

As a child, Muench accompanied his parents on pack trips in the parks of the High Sierras. He recounts adventures on the Colorado through the Grand Canyon, kayaking the Kenai Fjords, or rambling through his beloved red rock country in Arches and Canyonlands from the world he has photographed for half a century.

Rudner has an extensive background in wilderness outreach and education. After writing about the outdoors for many years, Rudner’s seven seasons as a wrangler/guide in Yellowstone’s backcountry gave her a new perspective on grizzly bears.

Cost of the event is \$3 per vehicle. For more information, contact the park at 505-344-7240.

Conditions are Right for Adventure at Your New Mexico State Parks!

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