August is here and that means summer is nearly over and the school year is just around the corner. Still time to get a few summer adventures in, just remember to stay hydrated and that fire danger is high! Together we can keep the monument safe, clean, and fire-free.

As always, we remain steadfast in our commitment to bring the volcano to people around the world while improving equity in accessing science, the outdoors and public lands.

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Chase the Mountain Light with Patrick Aalto

Join Photographer Patrick Aalto and MSHI on a guided photography hike, exploring the amazing views and the close-up wonders of Mount St. Helens. Patrick will offer expert photography instruction and help build your skills to create
We are Saddened to Announce the Passing of Christine Colasurdo, a Dear Friend to the Institute and Author of "Return to Spirit Lake"

We're missing Christine Colasurdo very much. She was such a friend and advocate, both to the Institute and to Mount St. Helens. She helped us all to comprehend the loss of the pre-1980 landscape, while embracing its beauty and wildness post-eruption. If you've never read her wonderful book, “Return to Spirit Lake”, please do, and you can view her last Views and Brews with the Institute online.

School is Starting Soon! How Would your Student's Like to Attend a Live Virtual Field Trip This Year?
Investigate Mount St. Helens with us in a live, interactive, and thought-provoking virtual field trip program! While it's hard to visit the mountain in person right now, you and your students can visit in the next best way - in an interactive 360-degree virtual environment! Our virtual field trip packages are aligned to Next Generation Science Standards, are directed by student observations, and come with ready-to-use lessons plans for before and after your field trip with us.

Learn More

Book a Private Family Adventure at Mount St. Helens

Explore a unique side of Mount St. Helens with your family or pod through guided trips led by the Mount St. Helens Institute. Whether in winter, spring or summer
Mount St. Helens has stories to tell! Our private family adventures are designed to inspire your curiosity about Mount St. Helens and increase your comfort exploring the outdoors. **Trips are for groups that include youth under the age of 18.**

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**We Celebrate the Career of Charlie Crisafulli.**

Happy Retirement, Sir!

> “The volcano began to be so much more to me. There’s not a lake or pond that I haven’t waded in, not a stream that I haven’t sampled in or lake that I haven’t snorkeled. Every year I scramble up a steep slope on the Pumice Plain and greet the same parsley fern, like an old friend, and see that it survived another year. I know that it’s survived because I check on it every year.” - Charlie Crisafulli

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Thanks for reading. If you have questions please contact [Jared](mailto:Jared).