Mountain Lion Day at the High Desert Museum

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The Mountain Lion Foundation and the High Desert Museum invite area residents and visitors to spend a day exploring the biology and behavior of mountain lions and the best practices to avoid conflicts with mountain lions. This event and all presentations are free with admission to the museum. Mountain Lion Foundation staff and volunteers will be available to answer all questions. It is only with better understanding and knowledge of these magnificent creatures that people will live more comfortably with their neighboring lions. WHO: Mountain Lion Foundation, Emily Cullens, Program Associate WHAT: Living with Lions WHERE: High Desert Museum, 59800 South Highway 97, Bend, OregonWHEN: Saturday, October 7, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Special Childrenâ€™s Program at 11:00 a.m., Adult Program at 1:00 p.m.The adults program provides the opportunity to better understand the behavior of the mountain lion and the important role they play in preserving the vibrant landscape of Oregon. It is possible for communities to live comfortably with their neighboring wildlife. By learning what may tempt a mountain lion to visit a community, these temptations can be removed â€“ either temporarily when a lion sighting is reported or permanently. This knowledge empowers each person to make better decisions, protect their pets, and enjoy the benefits of their wild neighbors.During the childrens program, younger audiences will compare the senses of a mountain lion to their own. They will explore the senses and natural history of mountain lions and discuss what they should know about staying safe in mountain lion territory. There will be a craft project and a game to learn how far mountain lions range and how they stake their territory. This program is appropriate for children ages 6-12. Seating is limited. For more information, call 541-382-4754 ext. 385. This event is sponsored by the High Desert Museum. The nationally acclaimed High Desert Museum is dedicated to broadening the understanding of the High Desert's wildlife, culture, art and natural resources. In doing so, it strives to promote thoughtful decision making to sustain the region's natural and cultural heritage.The Mountain Lion Foundation is a national non-profit wildlife conservation and education organization, dedicated since 1986 to Saving Americaâ€™s Lionâ„¢. The Mountain Lion Foundation is a leading authority on the conservation of mountain lions and their habitat.