

CANYONS OF THE ANCIENTS
NATIONAL MONUMENT

Dark Sky Presentation

With
Aaron
Watson

What does it take for Canyons of the Ancients National Monument to earn International Dark Sky Park certification? Join Aaron Watson for an illuminating overview of the process and implications for our monument and community. This presentation will explore the key components of certification, including conducting a park-wide lighting inventory, measuring night sky quality, managing artificial light responsibly, and hosting public outreach events. Learn about the environmental, cultural, and economic benefits of Dark Sky designation, including how community members can play an important role in protecting our incredible night skies. Discover how we can work together to preserve the stars for future generations.

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