

## Get Outdoors Colorado: Partner Collaborative of the Year

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The Get Outdoors Colorado Collaborative was awarded 2013 Partner Collaborative of the year at the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Partners in the Outdoors Conference. The Rocky Mountain Region of the US Forest Service is a leading partner agency in the collaborative and its initiatives which include; National Get Outdoors Day Colorado, [www.getoutdoorscolorado.org](http://www.getoutdoorscolorado.org), Get Outdoors Colorado Jobs Center, and Peaks to Prairies: A Children’s Forest Corridor. Accepting the award on behalf of the partners was, Susan Alden-Weingardt, Regional Partnership Coordinator; Kate Jerman, public affairs specialist; Tabbi Kinion, of Colorado Parks and Wildlife; Stephanie Stephens, Executive Director of Colorado Parks and Recreation Association; and Melissa Branson, of Colorado Parks and Recreation Association. The award was presented to the collaborative by the head of Colorado Parks and Wildlife, Bob Broscheid, and state legislator Randy Fischer.



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The collaborative was honored for its ability to connect and leverage an expansive and diverse state-wide partner group that provides resources, information, event

opportunities and educational experiences to the public. “ It is an honor to accept this award on behalf of the Get Outdoors Colorado Collaborative,” said Susan Alden Weingardt, regional partnership coordinator for the Rocky Mountain Region of the US Forest Service. “This award belongs to every partner who has participated and joined the diverse Get Outdoors Colorado network. We are dedicated to connecting the public to the outdoors in new and creative ways.”

The Get Outdoors collaborative which is looking forward to June 14th and the 7th annual National Get Outdoors Day celebration at Denver’s City Park which will be hosting the inaugural GO Play! 5K along with the usual slew of fun, free outdoor activities like biking, climbing, fishing, paddling, stand-up-paddle boarding, nature art, health education, music, food trucks and more!



### Get Outdoors Colorado Jobs Page

The Get Outdoors Colorado collaborative is pleased to announce the launch of the new Get Outdoors Colorado Jobs Center web page – an online resource for youth, recent graduates and job seekers to go to find their next career or job in the outdoors! With the launch of this site the collaborative hopes to encourage people to take green play to green pay and pursue their passions outdoors. Whether these interests be

in natural resource management, scientific pursuits, recreation, outdoor education or industry, the goal of the website is to publicize the latest outdoor opportunities available within the partner network. Questions? Email Kate Jerman at [kjerman@fs.fed.us](mailto:kjerman@fs.fed.us) for more information.