

Public Lands Interpretive Association Program

Who was Antoine Leroux?

Presenter: Dan Judkins

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Williams-Kaibab National Forest Visitor Center**

Historian Platt Cline called this famous tracker, explorer and guide the "grandfather of Flagstaff." Leroux Springs and Leroux Street are named for him.

But who was he?

University of Arizona epidemiologist Dan Judkins has spent many hours, and even more miles, tracking the tracker. But Leroux turns out to be enigmatic. Was he Spanish, French, Mexican or American? Why did he leave so little record of himself? Where can you find his inscriptions? Why did no one ever take his picture or paint his portrait?

Epidemiologist Dan Judkins teaches trauma resuscitation at the University of Arizona. But his true passion is the history of southern Arizona and northern Mexico, and the desert rivers where Leroux trapped beaver and left us a legacy of exploration and geographic discovery. Come and enjoy this informative slideshow and discussion, and share your own knowledge or Antoine Leroux!



An imagined image of the explorer from "The Blazed Trail of Antoine Leroux" by Forbes Parkhill.

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