



Featured Hike:

## Moon Light Hike through Ladder Canyon in Painted Canyon in the Mecca Hills

10PM to 4AM, Saturday Night through Sunday Morning,  
March 3 - 4, 2018

**Length:** 5- 6 Miles

**Difficulty:** Moderate for first half. Strenuous if hiking the entire loop.

**Elevation Gain:** 500 Feet

**Cost:** Free

### Schedule:

- 10PM- Meet in the parking lot of TA Travel Center, south of the Interstate 10 Freeway, 46155 Dillon Rd, Coachella, CA. Then depart for the trail head.
- 11PM- Meet at the trail head and depart for the hike.
- 4AM- Return to the trail head and depart for home.

This is an excellent hike for the adventurous. The ladder hike is a very popular day hike that wanders through some spectacular slot canyons. But, at night the entire area takes on a whole other otherworldly feel. If you've ever wondered what it would be like to hike on Mars, then this might be pretty close.

We will be hiking the popular ladder canyon hike and a new trail that was established last fall. This new trail leads through another slot canyon with more ladders.

Due to the terrain and night time hiking conditions, this hike is limited to older Scouts ages 14 and above and experienced adults hikers. This isn't a very long hike, but it can be a challenge.

Any Troops that would like to participate in this hike are asked to provide at least 1 adult leader to participate in the hike. A group touring plan will be filed for this hike by the Aca Chapter. All Scouts and adult leaders must register ahead of time to go on this hike.

For more information please visit

<http://www.acachapter.org/acaha/featured%20hike/Ladder%20Hike%20at%20Painted%20Canyon.htm>. If you would like to register to be a part of this hike or if you have any questions, then please contact the Aca Chapter by emailing [acachapter@gmail.com](mailto:acachapter@gmail.com).



**Hosted by the Aca Chapter of Cahuilla Lodge #127**