

Great Basin National Park Visitor Center

Baker, NV



The touch and texture of life in the basin

Called the National Park Service's (NPS) best kept secret, the Great Basin National Park is a long way from anywhere. Few know about its riches. NPS asked AldrichPears to create exhibits for the visitor center that orient visitors to the Great Basin region and showcase its diversity of natural and cultural resources.

Working within the theme, "Discover the unseen Great Basin", AldrichPears developed an exhibit design concept and plans for the center. Rich in color, texture and interactive features, the exhibits explore the basin's unique geology, diverse habitats, wildlife adaptations and human habitation. Exhibit highlights include pull-out fossil drawers, archaic hunting tools and a kangaroo rat den. There are also realistic recreations of a native pit house and habitat dioramas, a 3-D interactive map that highlights early settlers' routes and a theater presentation of the desert at night.

