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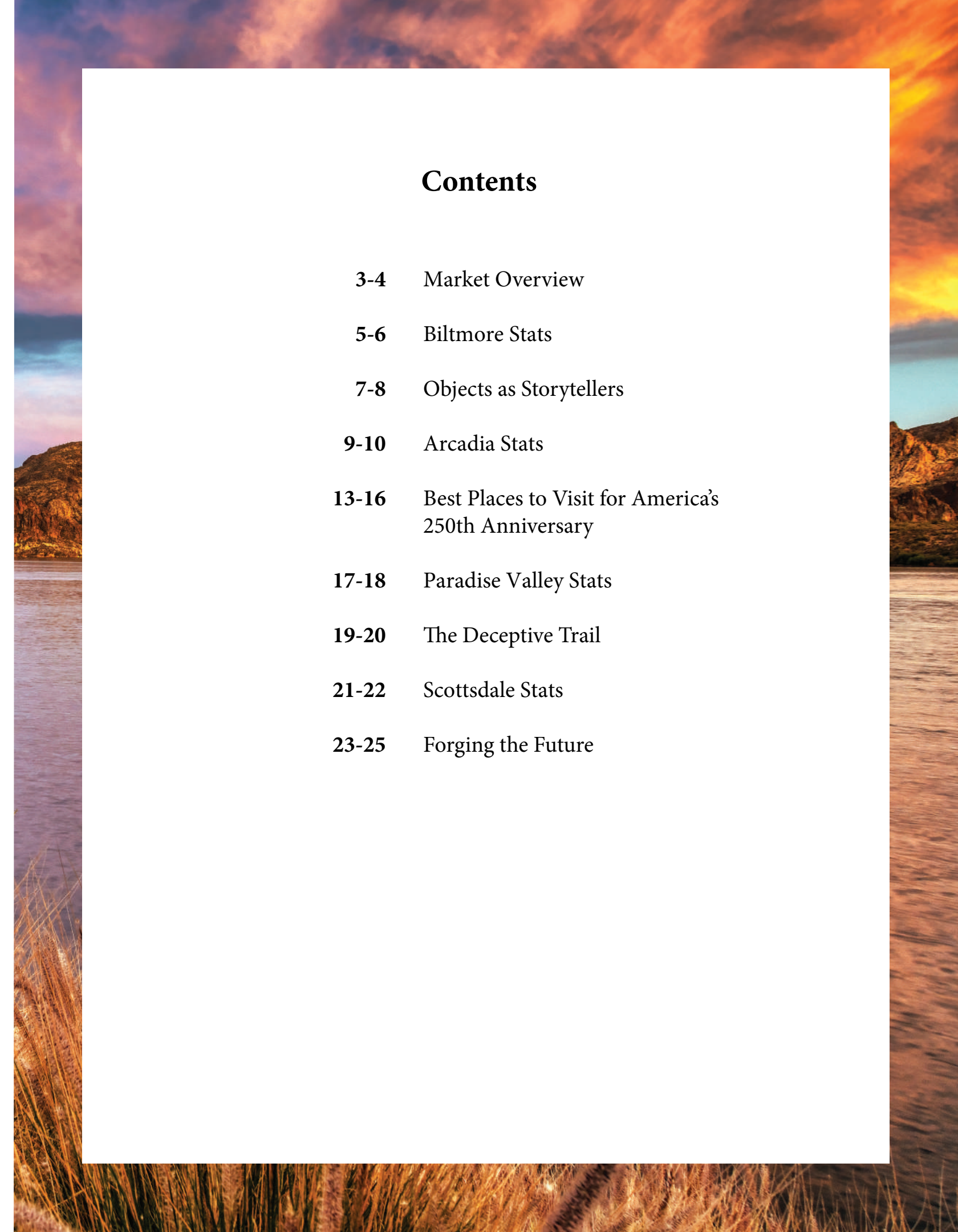
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# Market Overview

Happy Anniversary America! I hope you had a fun Fourth of July, ideally spending it anywhere other than the oven we call Phoenix. This is generally the time of year when the luxury markets slow as everyone that can spends time elsewhere.

Overall, the luxury market here seems to be hitting a wall. Let me be clear – I don't mean a market downturn. This is a continued trend I've seen since late last year. Home prices are stable or slowly ticking up, along with a generally upward trend in price per square foot in Arcadia and Paradise Valley. However, this is coupled with decreasing numbers of homes being sold (except Scottsdale) and time on market staying in the range of 80-100 days.

My expectation for the rest of the year is that sellers will continue to see good prices for their homes, especially if the listings are in really good shape. Buyers will continue to see incrementally more power, but that will be dependent on location and how many must-haves are involved. These two forces will likely keep the market well balanced for the foreseeable future.

## **Biltmore**

All of Q2 was below the 3-year trend line for Biltmore. This doesn't mean much, as Biltmore regularly dips well below and rebounds well above that line. Longer time on the market, worse sale to list ratios, and a slight decrease in price per square foot all show a slightly depressed market. However, Biltmore's highest three price per square foot sales this year have all outdone anything in 2023 and 2025.

With Biltmore inventory remaining fairly high, I anticipate average sale prices and price per square foot to stay about where they are through Q3 and likely into Q4. Unfortunately, many homes have already been on the market for a while, and the first quarter is generally when Biltmore clears the most inventory. So, we're likely going to see a few homes languish on the market and take substantial price reductions going into the end of the year.

## **Arcadia**

The absolute ceiling for what top buyers will pay for in Arcadia has gone up. 6415 E Exeter sold in Q2 for a record-setting \$17.1M, over \$2,000/SqFt. In addition, four homes have sold for over \$10M this year. For context, three were sold over \$10M in all of 2025. In contrast, 30% fewer homes have been sold year to date compared to 2025 (though still higher than any year preceding 2025.) And even with the blockbuster sale, price per square foot was unusually depressed for this time of the year.

I foresee Arcadia's prices staying around where they currently sit. We'll continue to see occasional \$10M+ sales, but they'll be in distinct pockets like along Exeter. For the general area, I believe buyers are approaching their price limit given current space and building constraints. At the end of the day, Arcadia lots are generally just not as big as Paradise Valley lots. That will ultimately be the limiting factor in this area. And I think we're quickly reaching that point of limitation.

## **Paradise Valley**

In 2025, 20 homes were sold in PV over \$10M. So far this year, that number is up to a staggering 25. That means PV alone sold more \$10M+ homes than the whole Valley sold in

just 2023. Even more to the point, multiple homes are listed for over \$30M, with several more being prepared for listing soon. However, these are all still just for sale, and the homes that are being sold have indicated the PV market is otherwise plateauing a bit, with little change in year over year statistics.

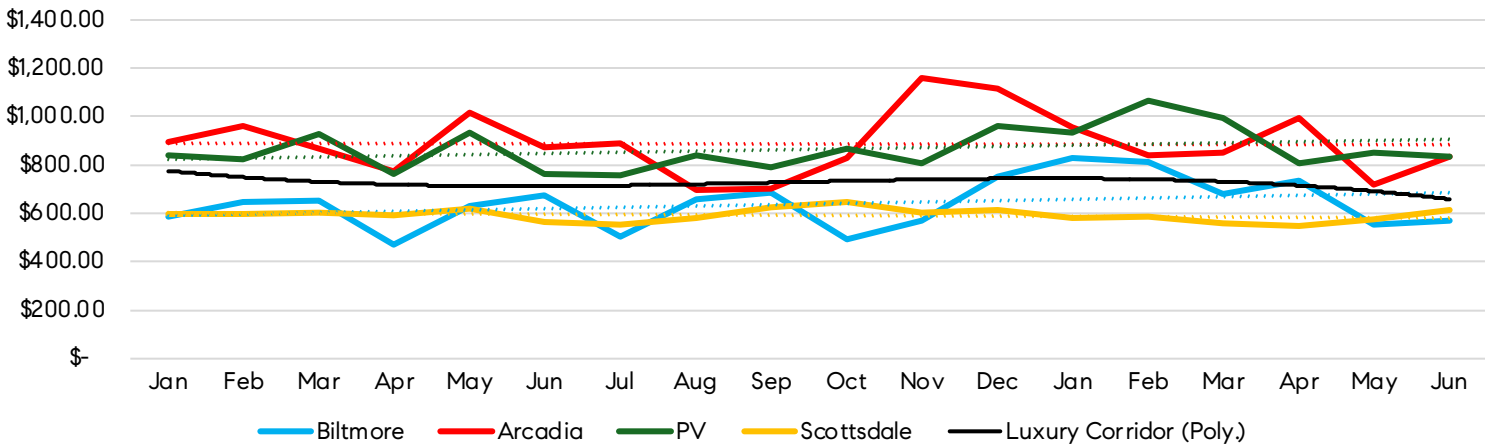
I predict that through the rest of the year we'll likely see the average sale price go up. There are 37 homes currently listed over \$10M, most of which are around Mummy Mountain, the heart of PV. If they sell for close to asking (which is a real toss up in this buyer's market) that may also bump up average price per square foot. The big takeaway is that \$10M+ home sales are likely going to become much more normal, cementing PV as one of the premier luxury destinations in the country.

### Scottsdale

Honestly, I'm not sure what happened here. Scottsdale saw a solid increase in days on market (10 days year over year) but had a spectacular increase in homes sold, especially year over year. What's surprising is that outside those two metrics, Scottsdale remained remarkably stable year over year and even compared to Q1. Since at least 2023 Scottsdale has been a reliable market in terms of averages.

Any change in Scottsdale's trajectory will likely come in Q4 this year. Active listings suggest an increase in sale price and price per square foot. However, those homes are already at the average days on market for the past few years. If they're able to pull off a notable increase in price, it will invariably be at the expense of days on market. However, I don't see any meaningful trajectory changes coming to Scottsdale anytime soon.

\$/SF Comparison  
Jan 2025-Jun 2026



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# BILTMORE

APR-JUN 2026 v 2025Q2

CLOSED  
LISTINGS

16 ▲

AVG DAYS  
ON MARKET

81 ▲

AVG PRICE  
PER SQ. FT.

\$650 ▲

SALE TO  
LIST PRICE RATIO

93% ▼

AVERAGE  
SALE PRICE

\$2.15M ▼

2026 TOP 3  
(by price) ●

40 Biltmore Est \$9,500,000

34 Biltmore Est \$5,778,000

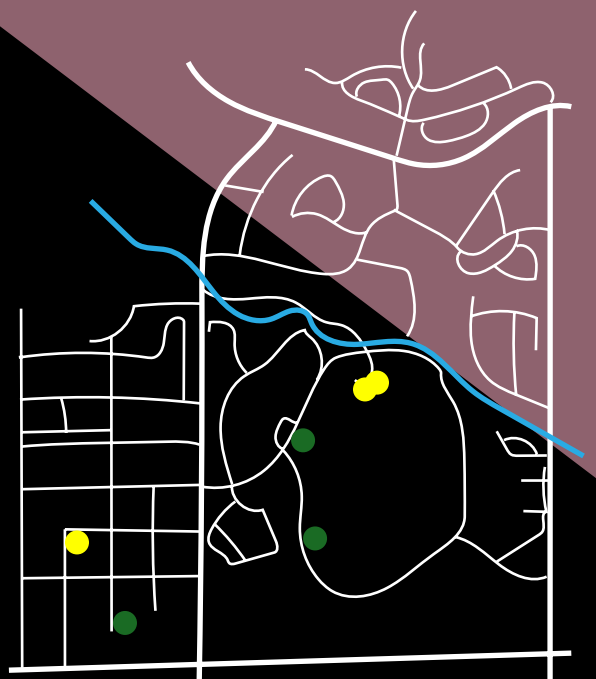
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2026 TOP 3  
(by \$/SqFt) ●

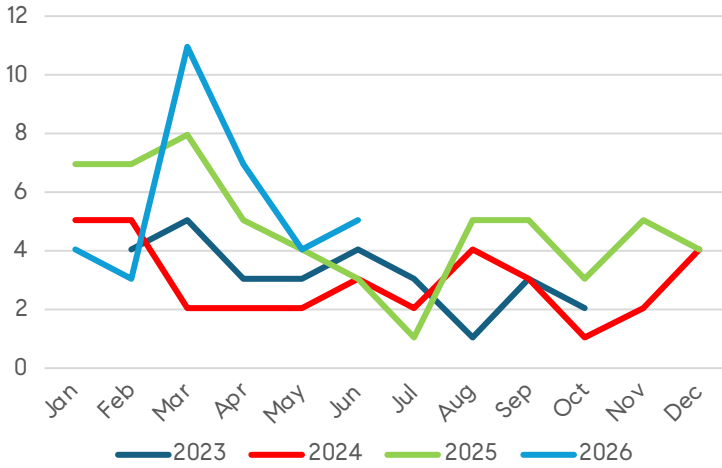
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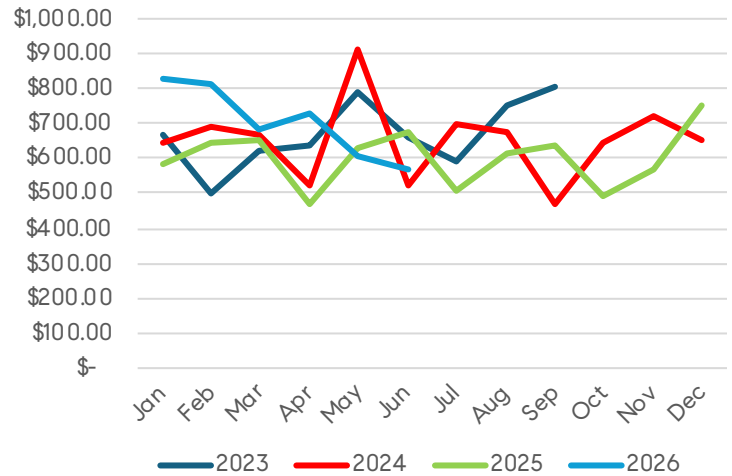
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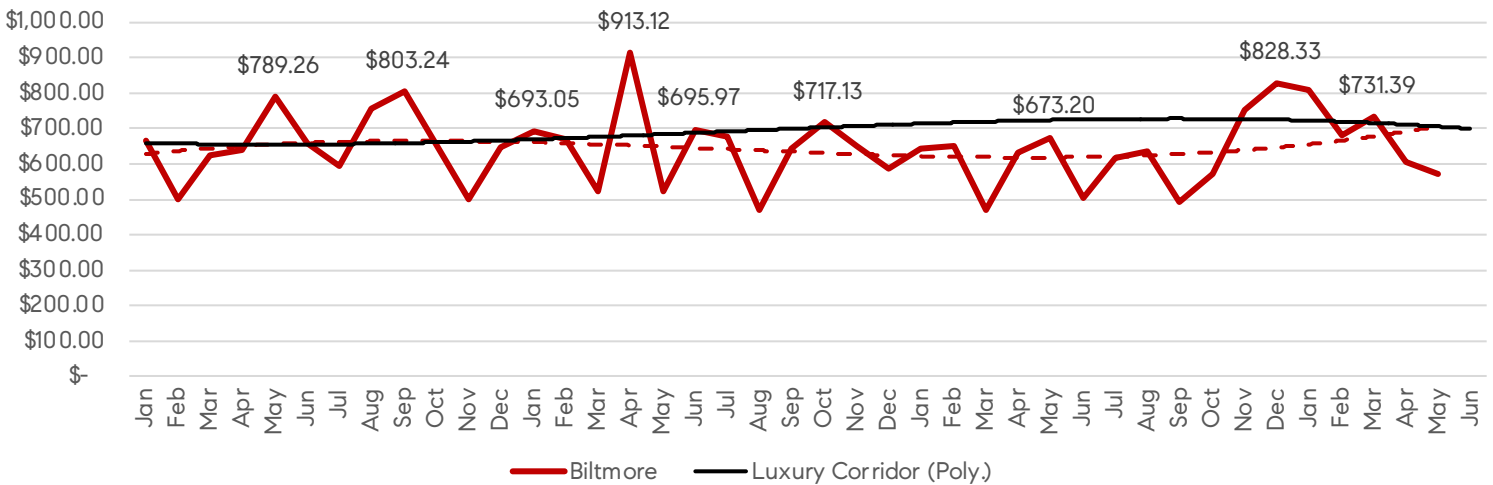
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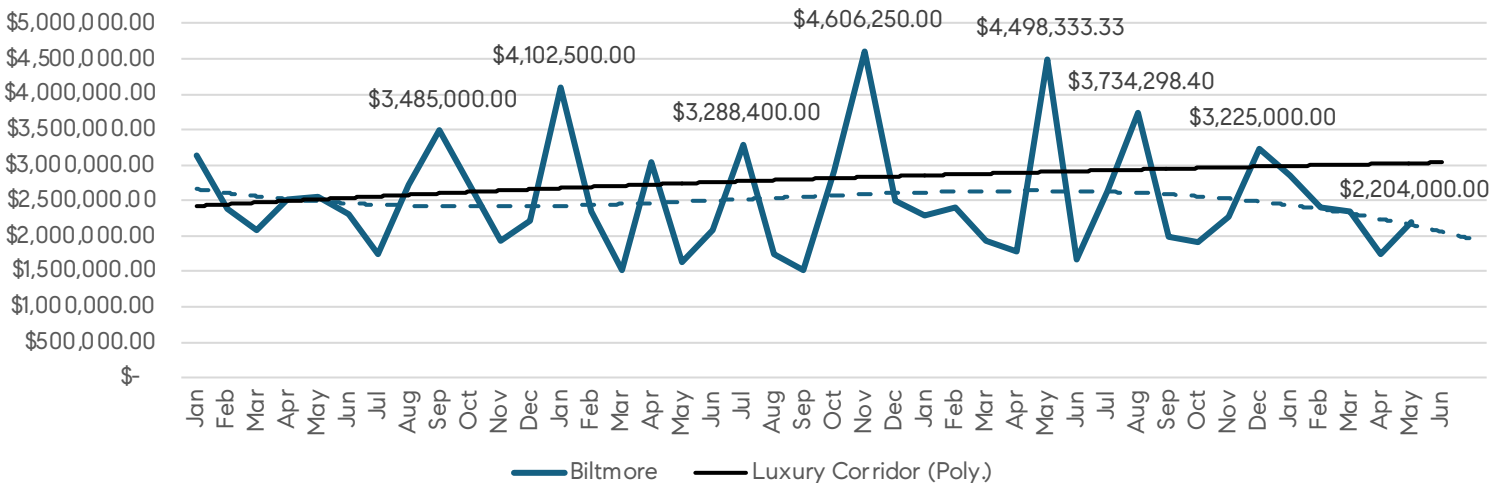
### Biltmore \$/SF by Month



### Biltmore Avg \$/SqFt 2023-2026



### Biltmore Avg Sale Price 2023-2026



## Objects as Storytellers

*By Wade Weber, Director of Education, Western Spirit Museum*

One of my favorite exercises with students visiting our museum begins with a challenge. They are told they have just been hired as ranch hands and have \$40 to spend on five essential items for the job. As they browse a historic catalog and decide how to spend their money, conversations quickly emerge. Which items are necessities? What can they afford? What would life on a working ranch actually require?

The students also discover that a hat, a rope, a pair of chaps, or a saddle are more than simple, well-known items. Each one holds the potential to tell a story about the people who used them and the world they inhabited. That realization is at the heart of how we understand history. While many people think of history as something preserved in books, some of the most revealing stories about who we are, and who we have been, are found in the objects people leave behind.

A saddle worn smooth from countless miles of rugged travel. A clay vessel shaped by hand or a silver seed pot etched with symbols and stories. A pair of weathered chaps. These objects are more than artifacts. They are storytellers.

Objects invite us to look beyond what we see at first glance. They encourage us to ask questions. What did the maker want us to notice? What can an object tell us about a person's experiences, values, or culture? How does understanding an object's history deepen our appreciation of its meaning today? When we take the time to look closely, even ordinary objects can reveal extraordinary stories.

Consider the basic objects students often select during that ranch-hand exercise. A saddle, a rope, a pair of chaps, or a hat may seem like practical tools chosen to do a job. Yet with careful observation of samples of these items today, we see that each one carries revealing clues about life on the range. The materials, craftsmanship, and signs of wear tell a story



*Bowls by Hisi Nampeyo,  
Fire of Ages Exhibit*



*Yeii Figure, Diné Gold Cuff*  
*Richard A. Gates Collection*

about daily work, the demands of ranch life, and the relationship between people, animals, and the land. These objects offer insights into a way of life that helped shape the North American West. They remind us that history is not only about famous individuals or major events. It is also about ordinary people adapting to the realities of their environment and finding creative solutions to everyday problems.

The same can be said for artistic objects. Throughout the history of the West, artists have used materials such as clay, wood, metal, and paint to express ideas, preserve traditions, and communicate across generations. Clay, one of humanity's oldest and most versatile artistic materials, has served many different purposes over time. Yet whether an object was created centuries

ago or by a contemporary artist today, the maker's creativity, skill, and cultural knowledge remain visible in the finished work.

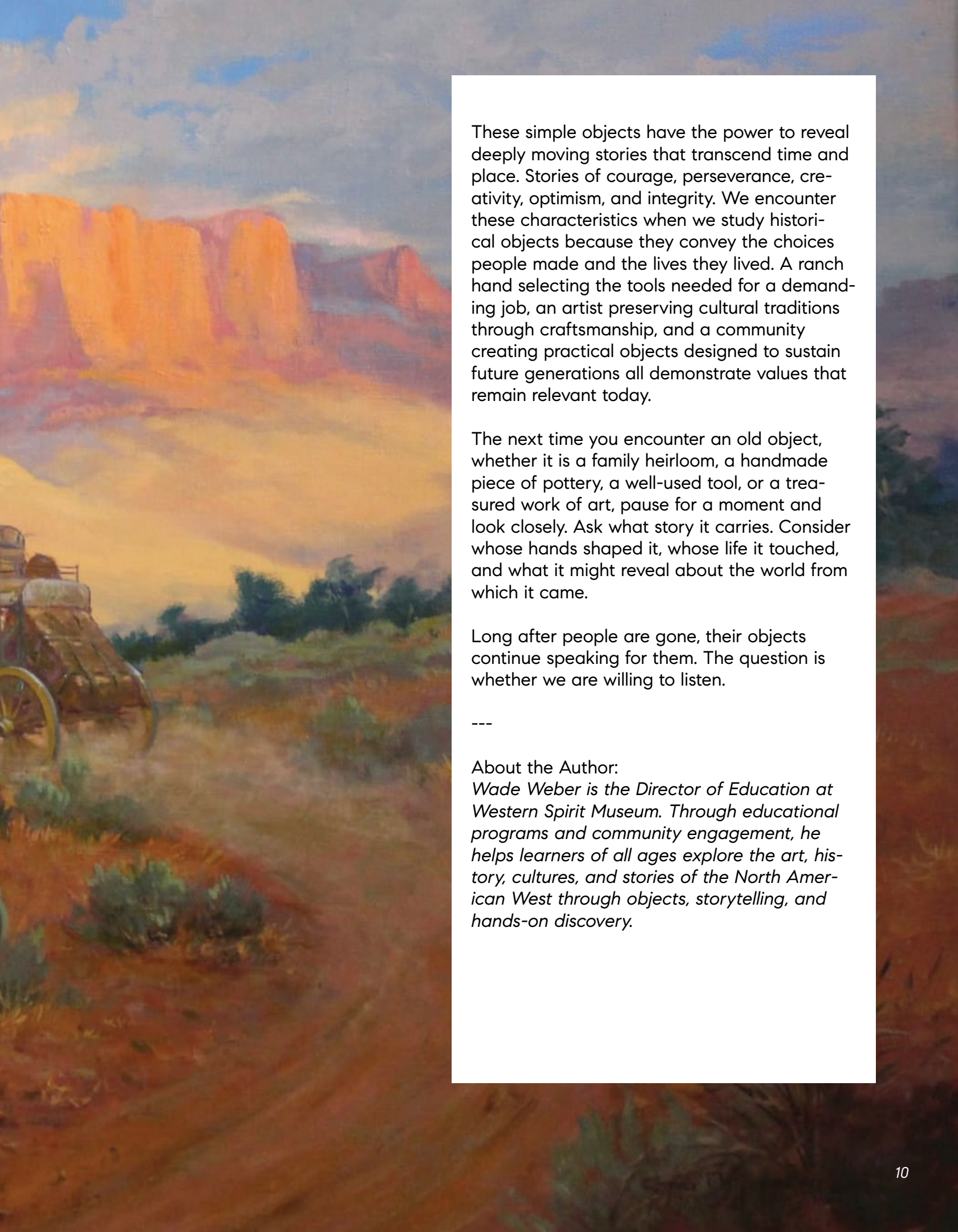
One particularly powerful example can be found in the traditional seed pot. Historically, seed pots were used to store seeds for future planting seasons, helping communities preserve resources and plan for the future. Yet in the hands of contemporary Navajo artist Norbert Peshlakai, these objects become something more than functional items. Through intricate

engraving, meaningful symbols, tiny figures, and even a secret alphabet of his own invention, the seed pot becomes a vessel for storytelling. It honors tradition while embracing innovation and connects past and present in a single work of art.

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*Evening Stage, George Phippen*  
*A Fistful of Colors Collection*





These simple objects have the power to reveal deeply moving stories that transcend time and place. Stories of courage, perseverance, creativity, optimism, and integrity. We encounter these characteristics when we study historical objects because they convey the choices people made and the lives they lived. A ranch hand selecting the tools needed for a demanding job, an artist preserving cultural traditions through craftsmanship, and a community creating practical objects designed to sustain future generations all demonstrate values that remain relevant today.

The next time you encounter an old object, whether it is a family heirloom, a handmade piece of pottery, a well-used tool, or a treasured work of art, pause for a moment and look closely. Ask what story it carries. Consider whose hands shaped it, whose life it touched, and what it might reveal about the world from which it came.

Long after people are gone, their objects continue speaking for them. The question is whether we are willing to listen.

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About the Author:

*Wade Weber is the Director of Education at Western Spirit Museum. Through educational programs and community engagement, he helps learners of all ages explore the art, history, cultures, and stories of the North American West through objects, storytelling, and hands-on discovery.*

# ARCADIA

APR-JUN 2026 v 2025Q2

CLOSED  
LISTINGS

48 ▼

AVG DAYS  
ON MARKET

87 ▼

AVG PRICE  
PER SQ. FT.

\$832 ▼

SALE TO  
LIST PRICE RATIO

95% —

AVERAGE  
SALE PRICE

\$3.87M ▲

2026 TOP 3  
(by price) ●

6415 E Exeter Blvd \$17,100,000

5902 E Arcadia Ln \$11,550,000

6733 E Exeter Blvd \$11,000,000

2026 TOP 3  
(by \$/SqFt) ●

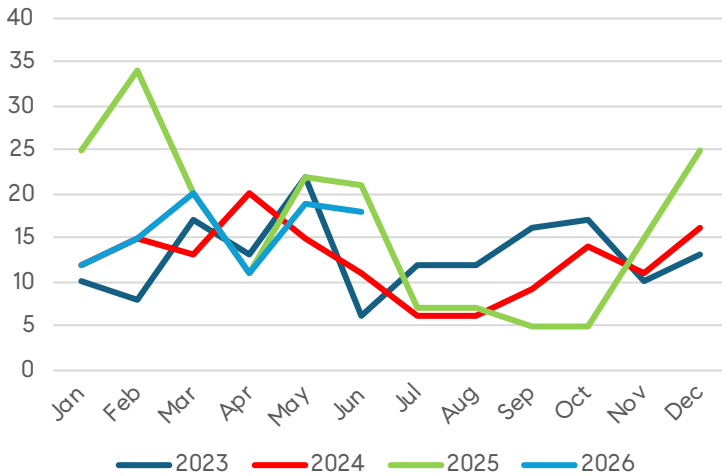
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4864 E Lafayette Blvd \$1,326/SqFt

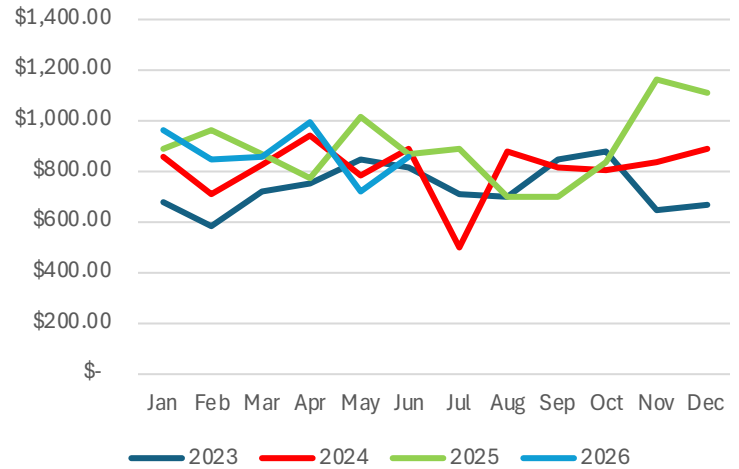
4828 E Calle del Medio \$1,287/SqFt



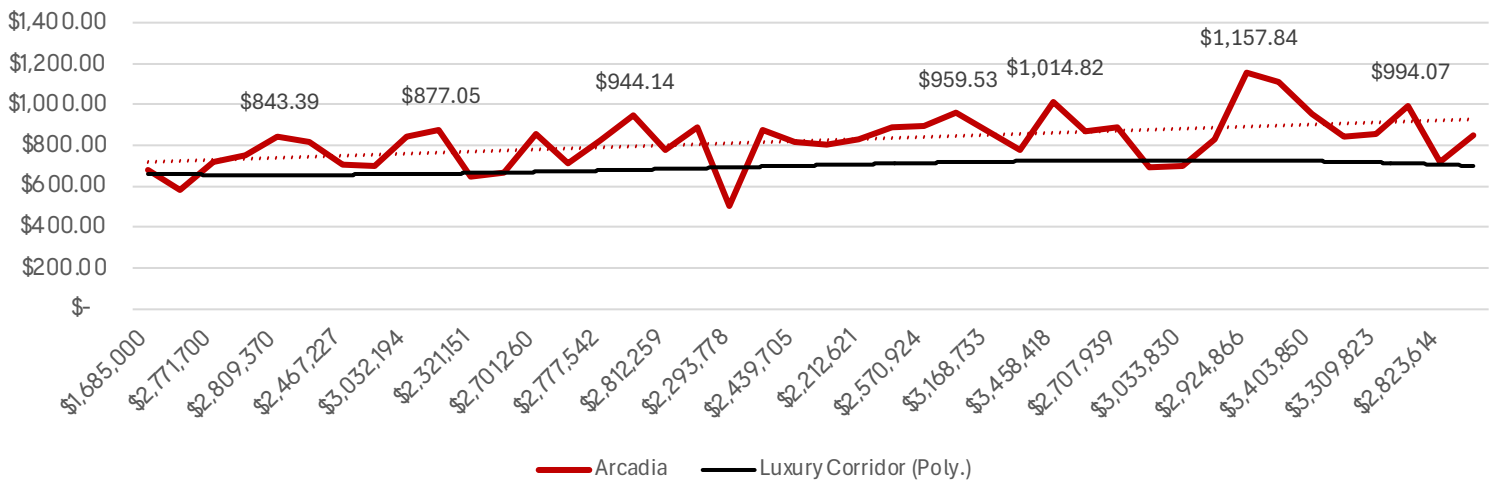
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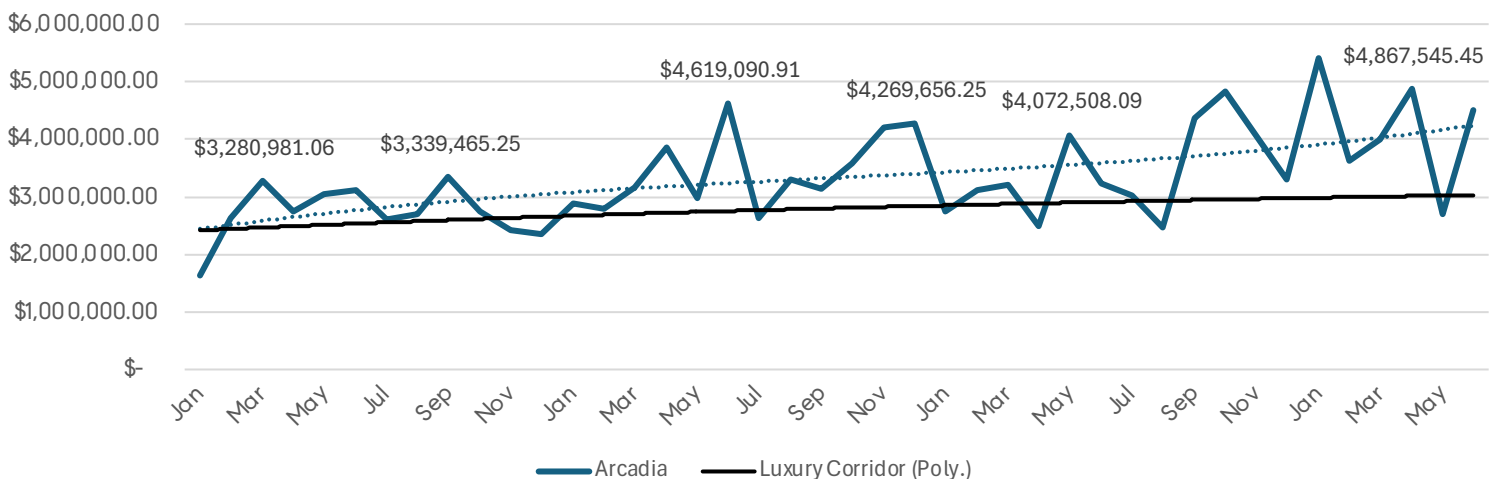
### Arcadia \$/SF by Month



### Arcadia Avg \$/SF 2023-2026



### Arcadia Avg Sale Price 2023-2026



# Best Places to Visit for America's 250th Anniversary:

Luxury Journeys Through American Heritage  
Curated by the Travel Designers at Boutique Travel Advisors

America's 250th Anniversary offers a rare opportunity to experience the places that have shaped the nation's history while discovering the remarkable destinations that continue to define it today. From Revolutionary landmarks and iconic cities to the vast landscapes of the American West, every region tells a different chapter of the American story.

At Boutique Travel Advisors, we believe the most memorable journeys do more than showcase beautiful destinations—they create a meaningful connection to the places, cultures, and history that make them unique. As the country marks this historic milestone, we've curated a collection of destinations that celebrate America's heritage while delivering the elevated experiences today's luxury traveler seeks.

BTA's Co-founder and Luxury Travel Advisor Angela Rice tells us her insight:

## Where History Comes to Life: Boston & The Berkshires

Few destinations capture America's founding story as powerfully as Boston. Walking the Freedom Trail brings visitors face-to-face with many of the nation's most significant historic landmarks, including the Old North Church, Paul Revere's House, and Faneuil Hall. Nearby, Harvard University and MIT reflect centuries of innovation that continue to influence the country's future.

For travelers visiting around Independence Day, Boston becomes one of the country's most memorable places to celebrate, with patriotic events, concerts, and spectacular fireworks illuminating the Charles River. Luxury accommodations such as *The Newbury Boston* and *The Whitney Hotel* provide an elegant home base for exploring the city's rich history while enjoying refined hospitality.

Just a few hours west, the Berkshires offer a quieter yet equally meaningful perspective on American heritage. Rolling hills, historic estates, acclaimed cultural institutions, and renowned wellness retreats create an atmosphere that invites travelers to slow down and immerse themselves in the region's enduring character.

Visitors can spend their days attending performances at Tanglewood, exploring the Norman Rockwell Museum, hiking scenic trails, or reflecting on the Native



American history that long predates the nation's founding. Distinctive properties including *Blantyre* and *Miraval Berkshires* perfectly compliment the region's balance of culture, history, and relaxation.



## The Balance of City and Countryside: Chicago & Ottawa

America's story has always been shaped by both its great cities and the smaller communities that preserve its traditions. Chicago represents the country's ambition through world-renowned architecture, celebrated museums, acclaimed restaurants, and an exceptional performing arts scene.

Visitors can stroll through Millennium Park, admire masterpieces at the Art Institute of Chicago, enjoy an evening performance in the Theater District, or experience the city's festive atmosphere during the seasonal fireworks over Navy Pier. Luxury hotels such as *The Peninsula Chicago* and *Pendry Chicago* combine sophisticated accommodations with convenient access to many of the city's iconic attractions.

Just a short drive away, Ottawa, Illinois, reveals a completely different side of the American experience. Located near Starved Rock State Park, the region offers sandstone canyons, scenic waterways, forested trails, and opportunities for canoeing, hiking, and wildlife viewing.

Whether staying at the historic *Starved Rock Lodge* or enjoying elevated glamping at *Camp Aramoni*, travelers experience the slower pace and natural beauty that have inspired generations. Together, Chicago and Ottawa illustrate how urban innovation and protected landscapes continue to shape the American story.

Luxury Travel Advisor Bri Crowder shares her insight:

## The Spirit of the American West: Montana & Utah

For travelers seeking wide-open spaces and unforgettable adventure, few places embody America's spirit of exploration quite like Montana and Utah.

Montana's expansive ranchlands, pristine wilderness, and proximity to Yellowstone and Glacier



National Parks showcase some of the country's most iconic landscapes. Guests can experience horseback riding, fly fishing, private guided excursions, and authentic Western hospitality while surrounded by extraordinary natural beauty.

*The Resort at Paws Up* offers a refined interpretation of the American ranch experience, combining luxury accommodations with immersive outdoor adventures.



Further south, Utah presents an entirely different landscape. Towering sandstone cliffs, dramatic desert scenery, and remarkable national parks—including Zion and Bryce Canyon—create one of the country's most visually striking regions.

Nestled among Canyon Point's spectacular red rock formations, *Amangiri* has become one of America's most celebrated luxury retreats. The property's minimalist architecture, exceptional wellness experiences, and extraordinary setting make it an iconic destination in its own right.

Together, Montana and Utah celebrate America's longstanding commitment to conservation while offering experiences that feel both timeless and deeply connected to the country's natural heritage.





## A Legacy of Heritage and Hospitality: Texas

Everything feels larger in Texas—including its history. From the legendary Alamo in San Antonio to generations of ranching traditions, the state offers travelers an immersive look at the people, cultures, and events that helped shape the American West.

Today's visitors can seamlessly combine those historic experiences with exceptional hospitality, whether exploring vibrant cities, enjoying authentic ranch life, or discovering luxury safari-style wildlife encounters unique to the region.

Historic *Hotel Emma* in San Antonio blends industrial heritage with contemporary sophistication, while *The Ritz-Carlton Dallas, Las Colinas* offers a refined retreat that reflects the state's evolving luxury landscape.

Texas successfully balances tradition and innovation, creating experiences that appeal to couples, families, and multigenerational travelers looking to celebrate America's heritage in unforgettable ways.

## Celebrating America's 250th Anniversary Through Meaningful Travel

America's 250th Anniversary is more than a celebration of the past—it's an invitation to discover the people, landscapes, and communities that continue to define the nation.

Whether you're drawn to Revolutionary history, world-class cities, breathtaking national parks, or charming small towns, exploring these destinations offers a meaningful way to experience the country's remarkable heritage while creating lasting memories of your own.

At Boutique Travel Advisors, every itinerary is thoughtfully designed around the traveler, not simply the destination. Our Travel Designers curate personalized journeys that combine iconic landmarks, exceptional accommodations, and authentic local experiences, ensuring every celebration of America's 250th Anniversary is as distinctive as the people taking it.



# PARADISE VALLEY

APR-JUN 2026 v 2025Q2

CLOSED  
LISTINGS

112▲

AVG DAYS  
ON MARKET

104▲

AVG PRICE  
PER SQ. FT.

\$831▲

SALE TO  
LIST PRICE RATIO

94%▼

AVERAGE  
SALE PRICE

\$4.48M▼

2026 TOP 3  
(by price) ●

5815 N Saguaro Rd \$32,500,000

5641 N Casa Blanca Dr \$20,900,000

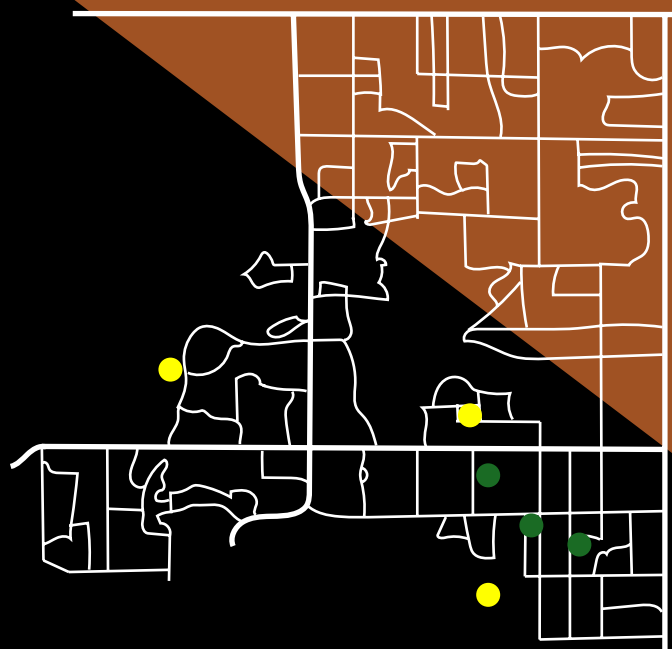
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2026 TOP 3  
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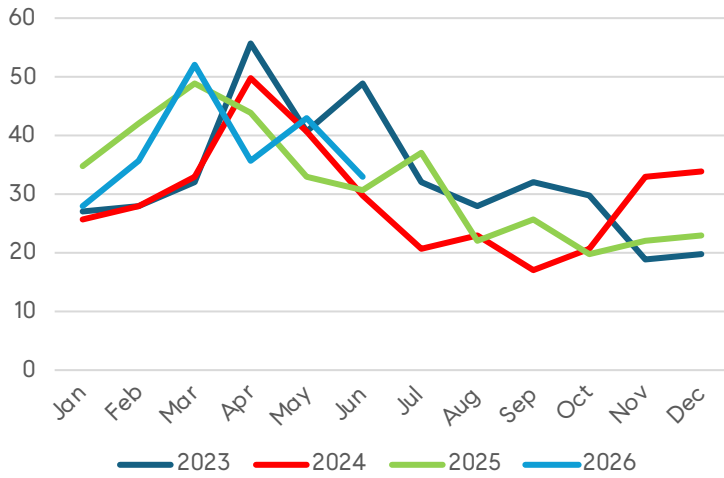
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5902 E Cactus Wren Rd \$1,965 SqFt

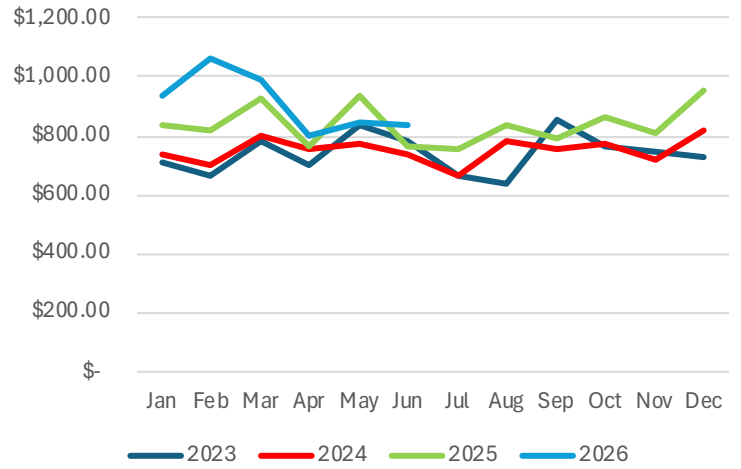
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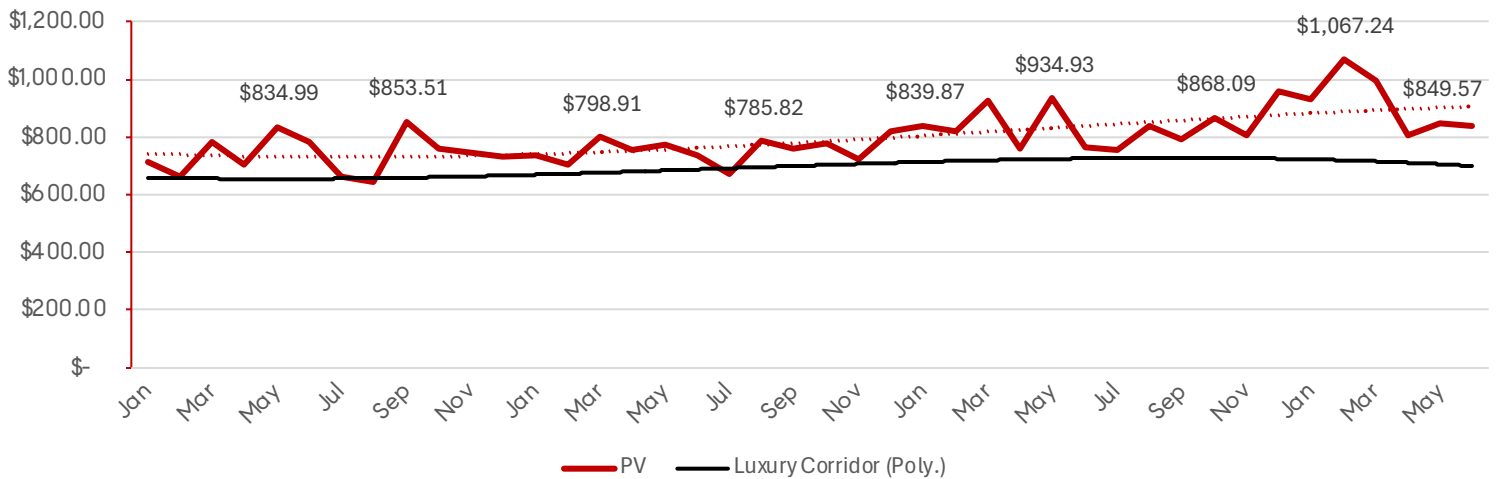
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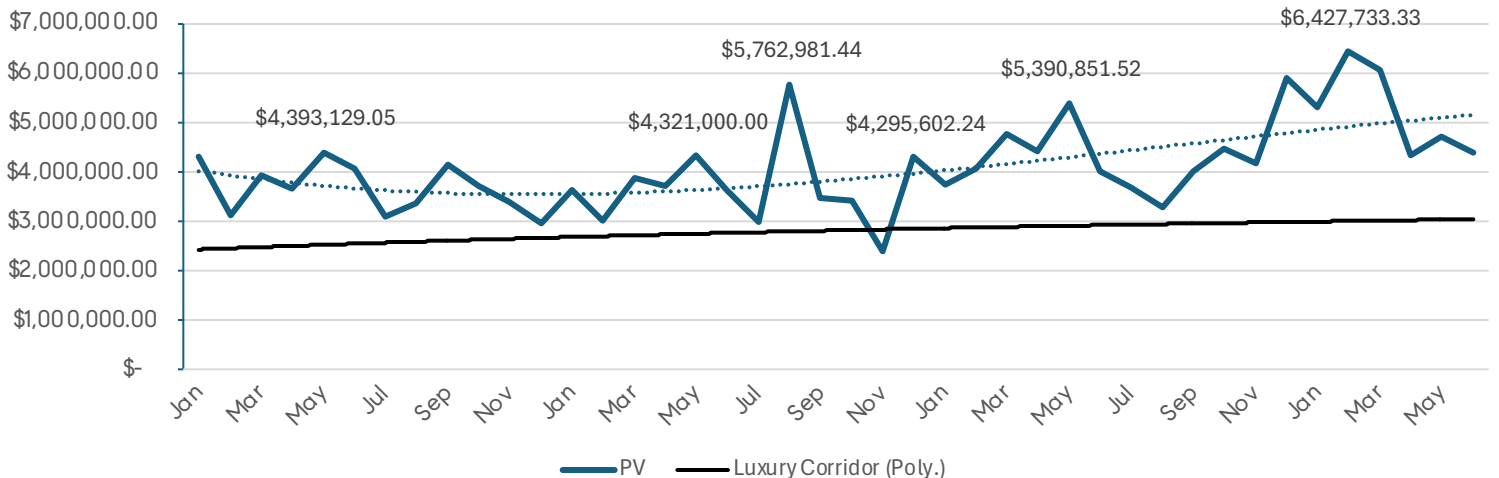
### PV \$/SF by Month



### PV Avg \$/SF 2023-2026



### PV Avg Sale Price 2023-2026





There are thousands of hiking trails in Arizona: alpine and desert trails, remote trails only accessed by 4wheel drive, little oases from urban sprawl in the Tucson and Phoenix areas, Instagram-able trails with too many hikers like Camelback Mountain, and many in between.

One trail, though, is deceptively difficult and can surprise even healthy, experienced hikers. If you are feeling adventurous and ready for a challenge, it might be the trail for you.

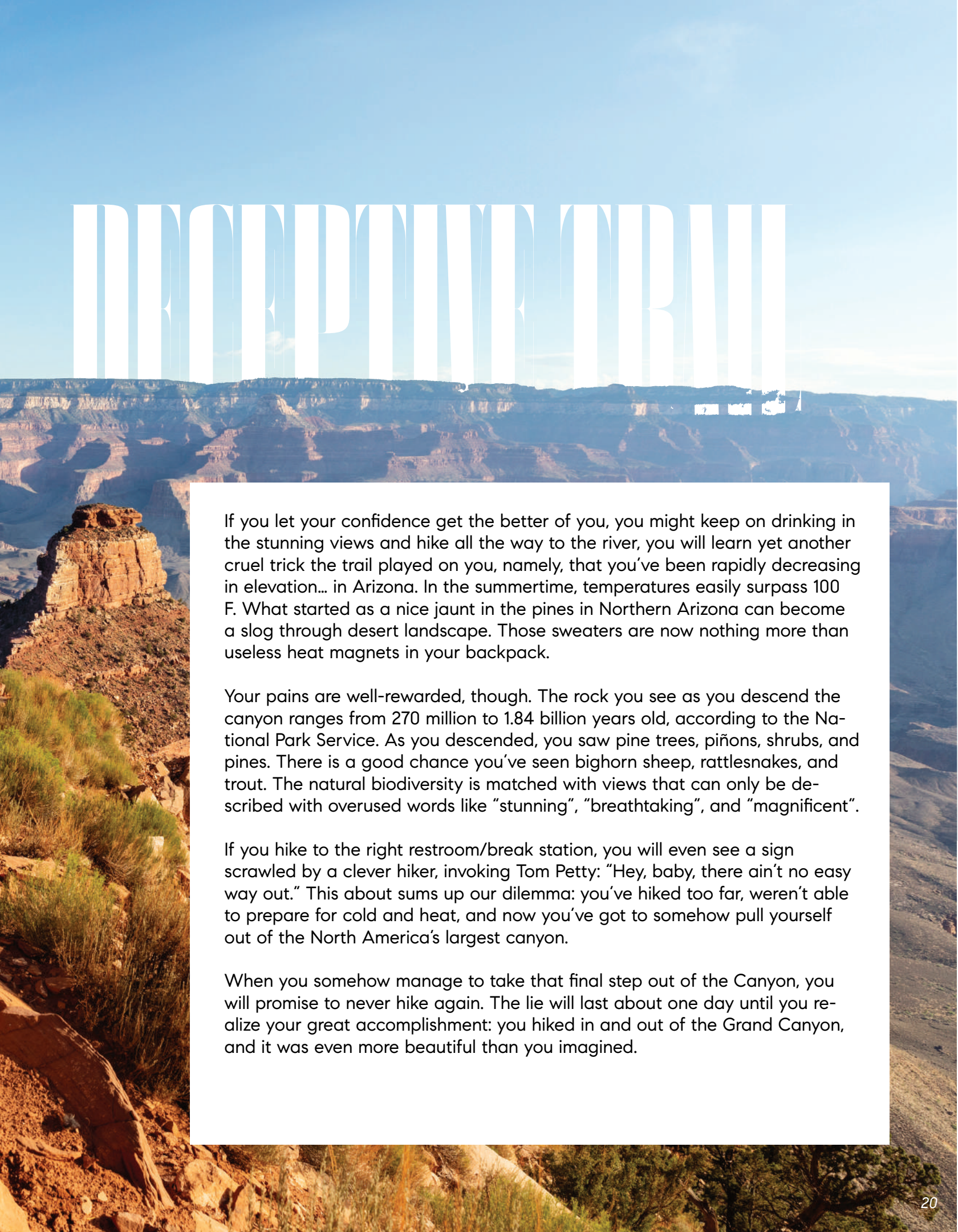
When you first arrive at South Kaibab trailhead in the Grand Canyon, you would be forgiven for expecting a cold day. At about 7,200 feet, early morning temperatures are often in the 40s Fahrenheit, even in the summer. Many well-intentioned hikers will bring warm weather clothes.

Depending on how ambitious you are with your start time, the throngs of people at the top may also raise concern over how busy the trail will be. Do not worry. Upon working your way down the trail, you'll realize two interrelated things: the crowds and the cold weather clothes seem to disappear at the same rate. You tell yourself you'll just go down "a little ways."

Although it is intuitive, many hikers don't realize that South Kaibab is really a trail in reverse — easy, gravity propelled steps on the way down and slow, grueling steps upward on the way back, after you've burned off your adrenaline and are no longer distracted by the stunning beauty of the world's largest canyon — or the adorable bighorn sheep.

Ooh Aah Point (aptly named) is the secret inflection point. You'll likely notice, after some time, that suddenly you're one of the only people on the trail. What luck, as the views seem to just get better and better as you enter the belly of the canyon. Full of confidence and the hinting pleasure of new solitude, you continue on.

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If you let your confidence get the better of you, you might keep on drinking in the stunning views and hike all the way to the river, you will learn yet another cruel trick the trail played on you, namely, that you've been rapidly decreasing in elevation... in Arizona. In the summertime, temperatures easily surpass 100 F. What started as a nice jaunt in the pines in Northern Arizona can become a slog through desert landscape. Those sweaters are now nothing more than useless heat magnets in your backpack.

Your pains are well-rewarded, though. The rock you see as you descend the canyon ranges from 270 million to 1.84 billion years old, according to the National Park Service. As you descended, you saw pine trees, piñons, shrubs, and pines. There is a good chance you've seen bighorn sheep, rattlesnakes, and trout. The natural biodiversity is matched with views that can only be described with overused words like "stunning", "breathtaking", and "magnificent".

If you hike to the right restroom/break station, you will even see a sign scrawled by a clever hiker, invoking Tom Petty: "Hey, baby, there ain't no easy way out." This about sums up our dilemma: you've hiked too far, weren't able to prepare for cold and heat, and now you've got to somehow pull yourself out of the North America's largest canyon.

When you somehow manage to take that final step out of the Canyon, you will promise to never hike again. The lie will last about one day until you realize your great accomplishment: you hiked in and out of the Grand Canyon, and it was even more beautiful than you imagined.

# SCOTTSDALE\*

APR-JUN 2026 v 2025Q2

CLOSED  
LISTINGS

258 ▲

AVG DAYS  
ON MARKET

77 ▲

AVG PRICE  
PER SQ. FT.

\$582 ▼

SALE TO  
LIST PRICE RATIO

96% —

AVERAGE  
SALE PRICE

\$1.87M ▲

2026 TOP 3  
(by price) ●

6230 E Hillcrest Blvd \$11,400,000

7720 E Vaquero Dr \$9,990,000

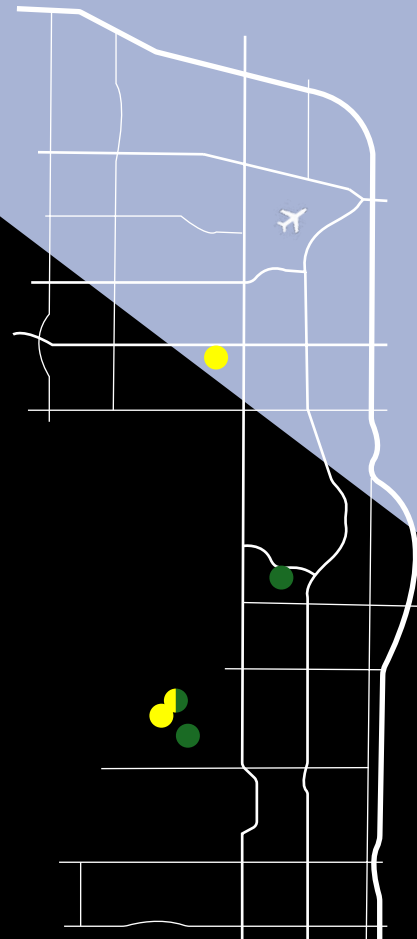
5031 N Ascent Dr \$8,167,089

2026 TOP 3  
(by \$/SqFt) ●

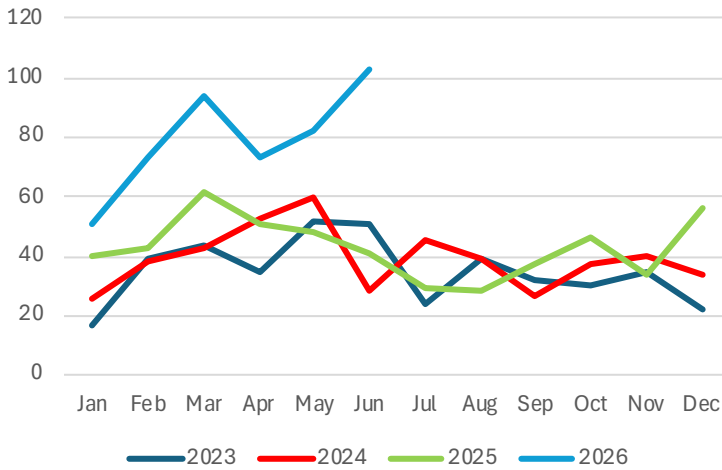
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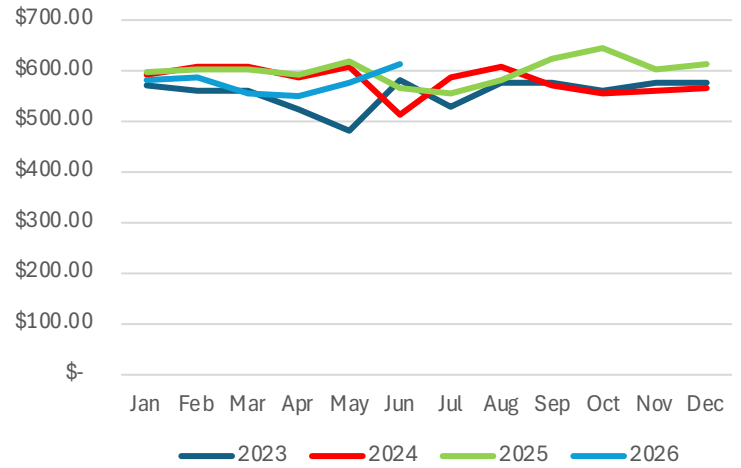
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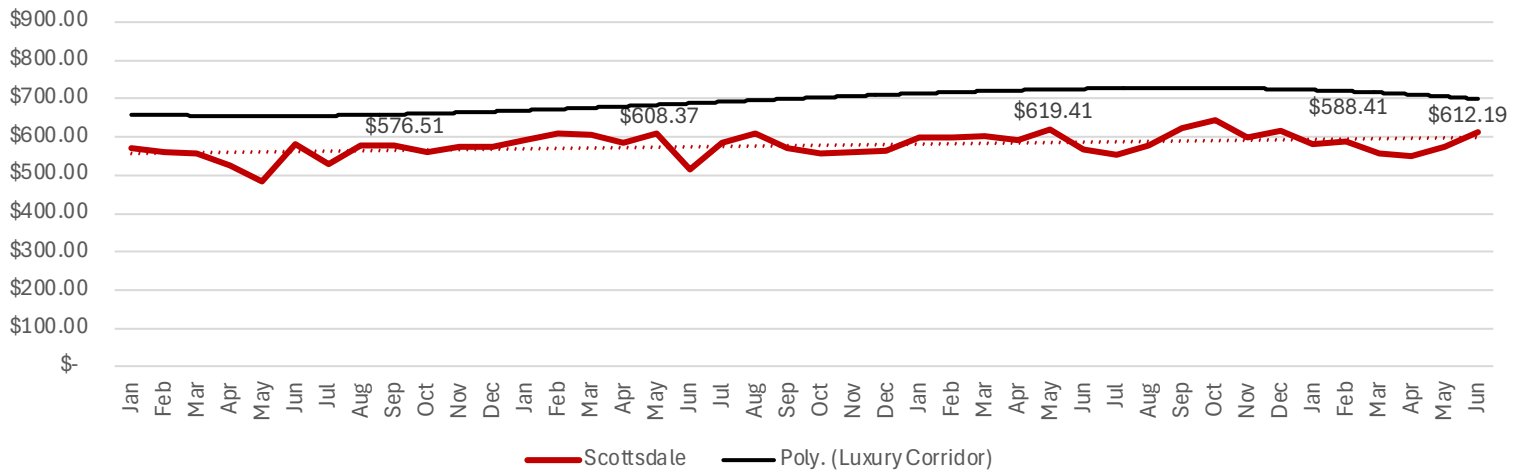
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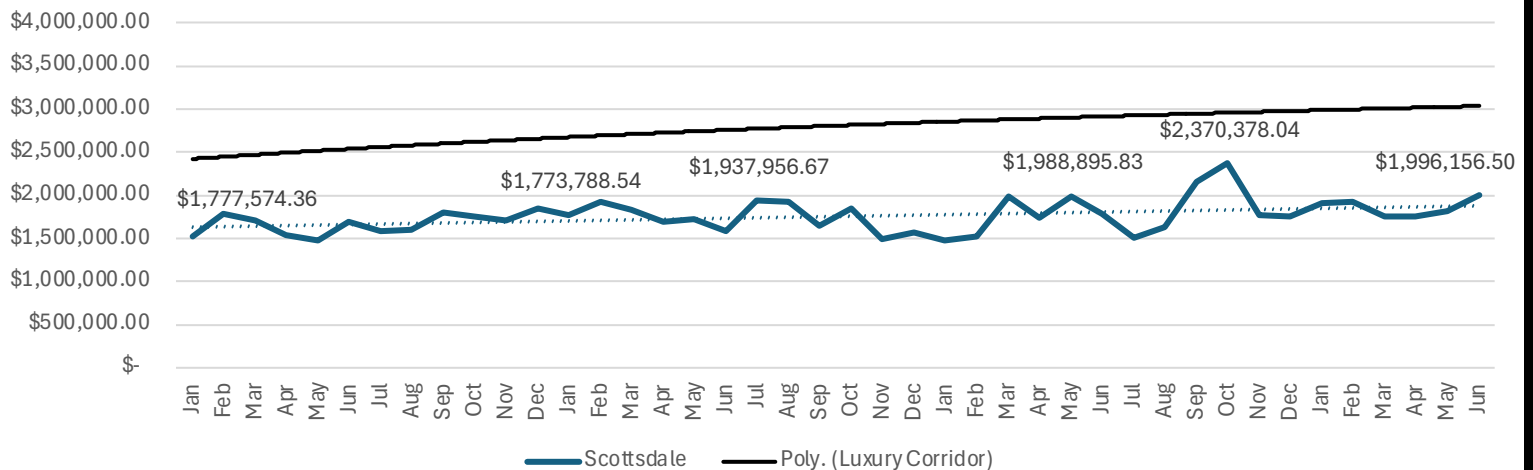
### Scottsdale \$/SF by Month\*



### Scottsdale Avg \$/SF 2023-2026\*



### Scottsdale Avg Sale Price 2023-2026\*



\*Inside Loop 101, Single Family, and \$1M+

# FORGING THE FUTURE:

## Why Skilled Trades Are Creating the Next Generation of Success

*by Paul Sinclair, Program Coordinator at ALA - Applied Tech*

For decades, the message to high school students was nearly universal: earn a four-year college degree to build a successful career. While higher education remains an excellent pathway for many, today's workforce tells a different story—one where skilled trades are in higher demand than ever before, offering exceptional salaries, career stability, and opportunities for entrepreneurship.

Across Arizona and the nation, industries are facing a growing shortage of skilled craftsmen. Welders, electricians, HVAC technicians, plumbers, and construction professionals are retiring faster than they can be replaced. As infrastructure expands, manufacturing grows, and technology advances, employers are searching for qualified workers who possess both technical skills and professional work habits.

This demand has created an incredible opportunity for today's students.

At *American Leadership Academy – Applied Technologies*, students are discovering that success doesn't always begin in a traditional college classroom. Instead, it often starts in a welding booth, learning to transform raw steel into projects that require precision, creativity, and craftsmanship.

### Welding: More Than Sparks and Steel

Modern welding is one of the most versatile careers available. From skyscrapers and bridges to aircraft, pipelines, race cars, ships, manufacturing facilities, and even artwork, welding touches nearly every industry.

Professional welders are problem solvers, fabricators, and builders. They use advanced equipment and technology while mastering skills that are respected around the world.

The best part? Many graduates begin earning competitive wages immediately after high school, often without accumulating years of college debt. As experience grows, so do the opportunities. Skilled welders frequently advance into inspection, supervision, robotics, fabrication management, pipeline work, aerospace manufacturing, or even business ownership.

For students who enjoy working with their hands, seeing tangible results from their efforts, and taking pride in creating something that lasts, welding offers an incredibly rewarding future.



## Building Careers Before Graduation

The Welding Program at *American Leadership Academy – Applied Technologies* is designed to prepare students for both employment and continued education.

Students learn through hands-on instruction in a modern welding lab where safety, professionalism, and technical excellence are emphasized every day. Rather than simply reading about welding, students spend their time developing real-world skills using industry-standard equipment.

Throughout the program, students gain experience in multiple welding processes while learning proper safety procedures, blueprint reading, metal preparation, cutting techniques, weld inspection, and fabrication principles.

Second-year students also earn their **OSHA 10-Hour Industry Safety Certification**, giving them a strong understanding of workplace safety and helping prepare them for employment in industrial settings.

In addition, students have the opportunity to earn **Lincoln Electric NC3 industry certifications** as they demonstrate mastery of specific welding skills. These nationally recognized credentials provide employers with confidence that graduates have successfully demonstrated competencies using industry standards.

Beyond technical skills, students also develop the qualities employers consistently seek: punctuality, communication, teamwork, problem solving, accountability, and a strong work ethic.

These professional habits often become just as valuable as the welding skills themselves.

## A Pathway with Endless Possibilities

One of the greatest advantages of career and technical education is flexibility.

Some graduates enter the workforce immediately after high school. Others continue their education through apprenticeships, community colleges, union training programs, or specialized trade schools. Many eventually become inspectors, engineers, project managers, or business owners.

The skilled trades are not a dead-end career—they are often the beginning of limitless opportunities.

According to workforce projections, demand for skilled trade professionals will remain strong for years to come as experienced workers retire and new construction, manufacturing, and infrastructure projects continue to expand.

For motivated students, this means steady employment, excellent earning potential, and careers that truly make a difference.

## Investing in Students, Investing in Our Communities

Strong communities are built by skilled craftsmen.

Every school, hospital, home, office building, bridge, and manufacturing facility depends on professionals who possess the knowledge and experience to build, repair, and maintain critical infrastructure.

Career and Technical Education programs help meet this growing workforce need while giving students meaningful opportunities to discover their talents and pursue careers they are passionate about.

At American Leadership Academy – Applied Technologies, students are not only learning a trade—they are developing confidence, leadership, responsibility, and pride in a job well done. As the need for skilled workers continues to grow, programs like these are helping shape the next generation of builders, makers, innovators, and leaders.

For many students, success begins with a spark.

That spark may very well lead to a lifelong career.



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# From the Editor

Hello Reader,

First and foremost, happy birthday to our United States of America. We have such an incredible way of life here, and I'm grateful to be a part of it. I hope you as the reader enjoyed the articles in this edition. There are so many interesting facets to celebrating 250 years of countryhood. The businesses I tapped may not have been the most obvious, but I think they represent some of America's greatest assets.

Not only do we live in a special country, we live in a very special part of that country. We have so much rich history in Arizona with elements pulled from incredibly diverse cultures. It's one of the many reasons I plan on calling Arizona home for the rest of my life.

Once again, I invite you to reach out if you have any suggestions on businesses you'd like to see in here or topics you'd like to explore. I have some exciting ideas lined up for future editions, but I'm also open to alternatives if you have them. My plan for the next edition is to give you some insight to interior design, landscape design, and any gardening or yard tips you should know for the winter. I hope you're as excited about that as I am!

Thank you again for reading, and I hope I hear from you soon!

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JT Carden', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

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