



Ranger Programs	Daily Map Talks at Visitor Center - 9:50 a.m., 11:50 a.m., 2:50 p.m.	
Sunday, August 05	Description	Location
A Tunnel Through Time 10 a.m. 1-1 ½ hours	Life in the Uncompahgre Valley was changed by the construction of the Gunnison Tunnel in the 1900s. Follow in the footsteps of those who built the tunnel on a historical walk at East Portal. Distance: 1/2 mile.	East Portal Ranger Station
Canyons, Rivers, and Dams... oh my! 11 a.m. 20 minutes	Today's Gunnison River is very different than it was a century ago. Join Ranger Zach to hear all about how the river has changed through time and how the power of its water will continue to carve Black Canyon well into the future.	Chasm View Overlook
Black Canyon Rocks! 2 p.m. 20 minutes	Geology can be an intimidating subject for most people. Join Ranger Tom for a lay-persons look at the fascinating rocks and minerals of the Black Canyon.	Chasm View Overlook
Feast or Famine 7:30 p.m. 1 hour	Will you find food tonight or will you be someone else's dinner? Examine predators and prey and how they survive at Black Canyon with Ranger Mary Jane.	Campground Amphitheater
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Chasm View Ranger Talk 11 a.m. 20 minutes	Join a park ranger to explore more of the Black Canyon, from plants and animals to geology.	Chasm View Overlook
Bird's Eye View 2 p.m. 20 minutes	What's life at the edge like for the soaring birds that live 2000 feet above the canyon floor? Join Ranger Mary Jane to learn about our feathered friends.	Chasm View Overlook
The Other Guys 8:30 p.m. 1 hour	Whether great or small, all the animals here at Black Canyon are important to nature. Come join Ranger Aimee at this evening's program to learn more about the animals that you are most likely to see during your time here at the park.	Campground Amphitheater
Tuesday, August 07	Description	Location
Secrets of Survival 10 a.m. 2 hours	How does life thrive in this rugged, high desert? Uncover secrets of the Pinyon-Juniper forest as you walk with a ranger along Warner Trail. Distance: 1.5 miles.	High Point Parking Lot
The Impenetrable Black 11 a.m. 20 minutes	Come hear the story of two explorers' wild and successful journey through the previously inaccessible Black Canyon. Go back in time on a river expedition with Ranger Jamie.	Chasm View Overlook
Lessons, Livelihood, and Living Free 2 p.m. 20 minutes	Join Ranger Melissa as she steps off the rim and into the deep culture of the Ute Indian people. Their ways are fascinating, their lessons abundant, and their perseverance heroic.	Chasm View Overlook

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The Rush of Exploration 11 a.m. 20 minutes	Ranger Eric is not all wet as he shares the challenges met by early river explorers. Experience the splash of excitement faced by river runners now and then.	Chasm View Overlook
Who are the Nuche? 2 p.m. 20 minutes	Ever wonder who was living here before Colorado was a state? Join Ranger Ross as he describes the Ute life and culture in the west.	Chasm View Overlook
Astronomy Through Your Own Eyes 8:30 p.m. 1 hour	The heavens are filled with spectacular sights you can see using nothing more than your own two eyes. Join Ranger Zach for a tour of the summer skies and learn why our night sky is being eroded away faster than the Black Canyon itself. Program will be followed by telescope viewing (weather permitting).	Campground Amphitheater
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Adventuring in the Black Canyon 11 a.m. 20 minutes	Black Canyon was a source of natural wonder and enjoyment for many in the past, just as it is today. Join Ranger Aimee to learn ways people adventured in the canyon through the years and how it continues to be a hot spot for excitement.	Chasm View Overlook
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Starry, Starry Night 8:30 p.m. 1 hour	Have you seen the Milky Way? How many stars can you see from your house? Join Ranger Tom to learn more about the starry night and see why Van Gogh said, "I often think that the night is more alive and more richly colored than the day."	Campground Amphitheater

***All Ranger programs are subject to change. Please check at South Rim Visitor Center for updates.**