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Summer Programs Begin at Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park

Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park invites you to take part in the summer 2011 programs occurring at the Chickamauga Battlefield and the Lookout Mountain Battlefield. Programs for the summer begin June 5, 2011, and end Labor Day weekend. Chickamauga Battlefield Visitor Center will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lookout Mountain Battlefield Visitor Center will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. There are several different programs to choose from over the course of the summer.

At the Chickamauga Battlefield, visitors can join a park ranger for a car caravan tour of the battlefield, stopping at various locations to discuss how the second bloodiest battle of the Civil War unfolded around them. Additionally, visitors can learn how artillery was used in the battle, view how the armies actually arrived on the battlefield, or listen to a presentation on the unique firearms that make up the Fuller Gun Collection.

For those visitors wishing to hear the roar and smell the smoke of a reproduction Civil War cannon as it is fired by park crew members, they may do so on the weekends. The park will also offer a program on the daily lives of Civil War soldiers. This program concludes with a firing demonstration of a reproduction Civil War rifle. These living history programs will take place adjacent to the visitor center.

At the Lookout Mountain Battlefield, visitors can join a park ranger on a guided tour of Point Park, where they learn about the desperate fighting on the slopes of the mountain. Tours of the Cravens House Reservation on Lookout Mountain are available for visitors to enjoy as well. In addition to touring the house, visitors can learn about the area where some of the harshest fighting of the “Battle Above the Clouds” took place.

Living history demonstrations on Lookout Mountain will be conducted inside Point Park Mondays, Thursdays, and Fridays. These programs will cover the daily lives of Civil War soldiers and conclude with a firing demonstration of a reproduction Civil War rifle.

For more information about programs at Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park, contact the Chickamauga Battlefield Visitor Center at (706) 866-9241, the Lookout Mountain Battlefield Visitor Center at (423) 821-7786, or visit the park’s website at www.nps.gov/chch.

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