# September 2016

# Jean Lafitte National Historical Park & Preserve

**PROGRAMS BELOW HAPPEN EVERY WEEK ON THE DAYS SHOWN.**
**See other side for program descriptions, site locations, and days/times of operation.**
**For more information or upcoming months, visit www.nps.gov/jela**
**HOLIDAY ALERT: ALL PARK SITES CLOSED MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, FOR FEDERAL HOLIDAY.**

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| **wetlands walk** 10:00am BP<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 10:45am CB<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 2:45pm CB | **Battle of New Orleans talk** 10:45am CB<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 2:45pm CB<br><br>**Cajun music jam** 5:00-6:15pm WACC<br><br>NO PROGRAMS ON SEPT 5; all sites closed for Labor Day holiday | **riverfront history stroll** 9:30am FQ<br><br>**historic Thibodaux walking tour** 10:00am WACC<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 10:45am CB<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 2:45pm CB<br><br>**ranger talk** 2:45pm ACC<br><br>***Cercle* Francophone** 5:30-7:00pm WACC | **riverfront history stroll** 9:30am FQ<br><br>**historic Thibodaux walking tour** 10:00am WACC<br><br>**wetlands walk** 10:00am BP<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 10:45am CB<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 2:45pm CB<br><br>**ranger talk** 2:45pm ACC | **riverfront history stroll** 9:30am FQ<br><br>**historic Thibodaux walking tour** 10:00am WACC<br><br>**wetlands walk** 10:00am BP<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 10:45am CB<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 2:45pm CB<br><br>**ranger talk** 2:45pm ACC | **riverfront history stroll** 9:30am FQ<br><br>**wetlands walk** 10:00am BP<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 10:45am CB<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 2:45pm CB<br><br>**ranger talk** 2:45pm ACC | **riverfront history stroll** 9:30am FQ<br><br>**Explore & Restore** crafts for kids 10:00am-noon PACC<br><br>**wetlands walk** 10:00am BP<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 10:45am CB<br><br>**Cajun Conversations** 1:00-2:30pm PACC<br><br>**Battle of New Orleans talk** 2:45pm CB<br><br>**folklife demonstrations** 2:45-6:00pm PACC<br><br>***Rendez-vous des Cajuns*** 6:00pm PACC |

## SPECIAL EXHIBITS, EVENTS, & PROGRAMS

**Student Art Exhibit – WACC** Explore Louisiana's coast through art by students from the 2016 Art and Science Camp of the Louisiana University Marine Consortium (LUMCON) Thursday, September 1, through Wednesday, September 14. Free.

**Crescent City Culinaire Series – FQ HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**

- **Folklife Foodways Walk**– French Quarter tour with emphasis on New Orleans and south Louisiana food. 1:00-3:00pm, Friday, September 23. Free but space limited so reservations required; call 504-589-3882 ext. 227.
- **Latino Food Trucks in New Orleans Today**–Join Sarah Fouts of Tulane University to learn about post-Hurricane Katrina immigration trends within New Orleans' Latino population and how they have influenced the city's food culture. 11:00am-noon, Saturday, September 24. Free; no reservations required.
- **History of Coffee in New Orleans**– Get a taste of the city's coffee trade ties to Central and South America through a ranger-led program. Single-bean brews from Latin American countries will be served. 11:00am-noon, Friday, September 30. Free; no reservations required.

**National Public Lands Day Volunteer Event – Saturday, September 24 – BP and CB 9:30am-1:00pm** Volunteer and help **your** public lands! Join the team for clean-up and fix-up projects at the Barataria Preserve, at Chalmette National Cemetery, and at Chalmette Battlefield's historic Malus-Beauregard House. Volunteers of all ages are welcome; those under 15 must be accompanied by an adult. Call 504-589-3882 ext 120 by Thursday, September 22, to sign up for projects at either site. Free.

# Site Locations and Days/Times of Operation

**ALL SITES CLOSED MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, FOR LABOR DAY HOLIDAY**
**see below for trail access at Barataria Preserve**
**and grounds access to Chalmette Battlefield/Chalmette National**

**ACC – Acadian Cultural Center,** 501 Fisher Road, **Lafayette**, 337-232-0789 ext. 201. Open Tuesday-Friday 9:00am-4:30pm and Saturday 8:30am-noon. Free admission. The Acadian Cultural Center was closed in early September for repairs from recent area flooding. The center has now reopened (as of Tuesday, September 13).

**BP – Barataria Preserve,** 6588 Barataria Blvd., **Marrero**, 504-689-3690 ext. 10. Visitor center open Wednesday-Sunday 9:30am-4:30pm. Gates to parking lots open for trail access every day 9:00am-5:00pm. Free admission.

**CB – Chalmette Battlefield and Chalmette National Cemetery**, 8606 West St. Bernard Hwy., **Chalmette**, 504-281-0510. Open daily 9:00am-4:00pm. On Monday, September 5, visitor center closed but battlefield grounds and Chalmette National Cemetery open 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Free admission.

**FQ – French Quarter Visitor Center,** 419 Decatur Street, **New Orleans**, 504-589-2636 ext. 1. Open Tuesday-Saturday 9:00am-4:30pm. Free admission.

**PACC – Prairie Acadian Cultural Center,** 250 West Park Avenue, **Eunice**, 337-457-8499. Open Wednesday-Friday 9:30am-4:30pm and Saturday 9:30am-6:00pm. Free admission.

**WACC – Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center,** 314 Saint Mary St., **Thibodaux**, 985-448-1375. Open Monday-Tuesday 9:00am-7:00pm, Wednesday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm and on Farmers Market Saturdays 8:00-11:00am (call center for dates). Free admission.

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# Program Descriptions

**Battle of New Orleans talk** 10:45am and 2:45pm - Discover 1815's Battle of New Orleans on the battlefield where it happened. Time is approximate; talk takes place when *Creole Queen* excursion boat arrives. Free. No talks Monday, September 5; visitor center closed for federal holiday. **CB**

**Cajun Conversations** 1:00-2:30pm – Speak and learn basic conversational Cajun French. Free. **PACC**

**Cajun music jam** 5:30-6:30pm – Sit in with local musicians or just enjoy! Free. No jam Monday, September 5; center closed for federal holiday. **WACC**

***Cercle* Francophone** 5:30-7:00pm – Come pass a good time speaking French (Cajun or otherwise) and help preserve French in Louisiana. Free. **WACC**

**Explore & Restore crafts for kids** 10:00am-noon – Kids of all ages are invited to create unique crafts from castoffs, leftovers, and throwaways. A parent or guardian must remain with children six and under. Free. **PACC.**

**Folklife demonstrations** 2:45-6:00pm – Discover the Cajun way of music, dancing, cooking, and more. Cajun music and dancing begins at 2:45pm; cooking demonstration begins at 4:00pm. September 3: Casey Allen makes crawfish pie; featured musician Greg Lejeune. September 10: Johnny Reed makes corn and seafood bisque; featured musician Paul Fruge. September 17: Charles Seale makes mirliton casserole; featured musician Kegan Navarre. September 24: Drake Leonards Luke makes dish TBA; featured musician Greg Lejeune. Free. **PACC**

**Historic Thibodaux walking tour** 10:00am - Take a one-mile ranger-guided walk through local history. Free. **WACC**

**Ranger talk** 2:45pm – Rangers share local history and culture. Free. **ACC**

***Rendez-vous des Cajuns*** 6:00pm – ***Rendez-vous des Cajuns*** 6:00pm – Live Cajun and zydeco music at the historic Liberty Theater next door to center. Ticket information and band listings at www.eunice-la.com/ or 337-457-7389. **PACC**

**Riverfront history stroll** 9:30am - Walk along the Mississippi River levee for a bird's eye view of the French Quarter and an overview of New Orleans history. 25 free tickets given out at 9:00am; first-come, first-served. Free. **FQ**

**Wetlands walk** 10:00am – Explore wild Louisiana on a ranger-guided walk through swamp and marsh. Free. **BP**