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150th Anniversary of First Manassas *Manassas National Battlefield Park*

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First Manassas Commemorative Program Tickets Available

The National Park Service and the Virginia Sesquicentennial of the American Civil War Commission will be offering general admission tickets to the July 21 Commemorative Program starting Wednesday, June 29, 2011. The tickets will be available at the Manassas National Battlefield Henry Hill Visitor Center, 6511 Sudley Road, Manassas, Virginia. The Henry Hill Visitor Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily. Tickets are available first come, first served.

The Commemorative Program will open at 9:15 a.m. on Thursday, July 21, with a ceremony on the grounds of Henry Hill at the park Visitor Center. Scheduled speakers include Robert F. McDonnell, Governor of Virginia, and key local, state, and federal officials. Dr. Edward L. Ayers, president of the University of Richmond and historian of the American South, will give the keynote address titled "The Battle of Manassas: America's Brief Civil War."

July 21 is a fee-free day in the park. Events on July 22, 23, and 24 are open to the general public for the general admission fee of \$3 per person.

For information on programs visit the park's event web site at <http://www.nps.gov/mana/parknews/index.htm> or at www.VirginiaCivilWar.org/manassas

Keep track of the First Manassas Sesquicentennial events and learn more about the Battle of First Manassas on the park's social media sites.

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