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Bluestone National Scenic River
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Canyon Rim Visitor Center 304-574-2115
in Lansing, WV (38.07003° N, 81.07583° W)
Open daily 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Thurmond Depot 304-465-8550
in Thurmond, WV (37.95712° N, 81.07879° W)
Open daily 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, June through August

Grandview Visitor Center 304-763-3715
in Grandview, WV (37.83047° N, 81.06333° W)
Open daily 12:00 pm - 5:00 pm, June through August

Sandstone Visitor Center 304-466-0417
in Sandstone, WV (37.7832° N, 80.89778° W)
Open daily 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Somewhere, something incredible is waiting to be known.

Carl Sagan
American Scientist and Educator

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Join a park ranger for a special talk, walk, or hike. Ranger-led activities provide an opportunity to learn more about the natural world around us and the people who shaped our past.

Ranger Activities June 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 am Grand Birding 10:00 am Bluestone Walk 10:00 am National Trails Day Hike 11:00 am Historic Thurmond
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24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:00 am Historic Thurmond 2:30 pm Ranger's Choice 6:30 pm Ranger on the Rock 	25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 pm Bat Chat 	26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 pm Ranger on the Rock 	27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 pm Ranger on the Rock 	28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 pm Ranger on the Rock 	29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:30 pm Ranger's Choice 6:30 pm Ranger on the Rock 	30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 am Hike of the Week: Kaymoor 10:00 am Bluestone Walk 11:00 am Historic Thurmond 2:30 pm Ranger's Choice 2:30 pm Arts in the Parks: Photography for Beginners 6:30 pm Ranger on the Rock

June 2012 Program Descriptions

- All programs are free unless otherwise noted.
- Wear comfortable walking or hiking shoes for all hikes. Water, snack, camera, and binoculars are other useful tools to bring along.

Daily Programs (except Mondays)

Ranger on the Rock 15 minutes to 1 hour
6:30 pm daily (except Mondays); *start June 12
LOCATION: Grandview's Main Overlook
Come and go as you please for this informal program with a ranger at one of the best views of the New River Gorge. Enjoy the scenery and discuss area natural and cultural history.

All Other June Programs

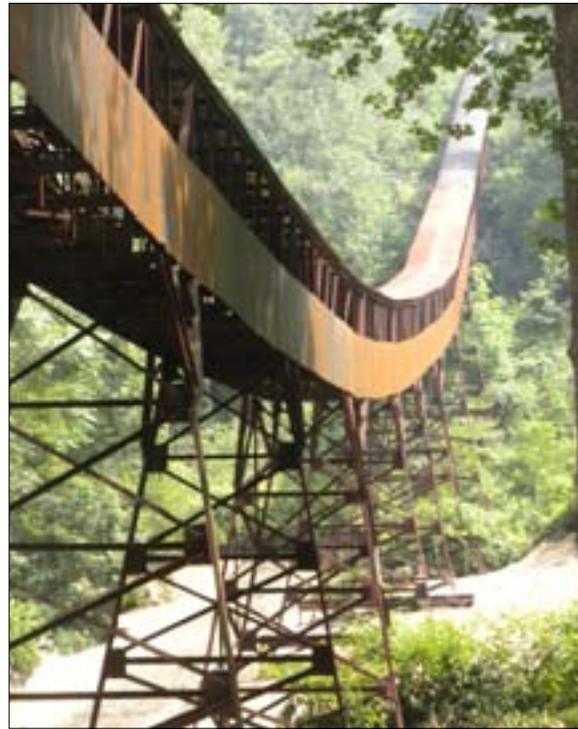
(activities listed alphabetically by program title)

Arts in the Parks: Photography for Beginners 2 hour
LOCATION: Canyon Rim Visitor Center

Catch a snapshot of nature in this starter photography mini-workshop. Bring your own digital camera or use one provided. Bring a jump drive if you'd like to take your photos home.



Hiker enjoys the scenic view at Long Point during a guided hike. National Park Service (JFB) photo.



Stabilized coal conveyor at Nuttallburg. National Park Service (JFB) photo.

Bat Chat 1 hour
LOCATION: Grandview's "bat condo" near the playground shelter

Learn more about the world's only flying mammal, seeing over 1,000 bats as they fly from the condo and begin a night of feeding on insects.

Bluestone Walk 1.5 hours, 2 miles
10:00 am every Saturday
LOCATION: base of Pipestem Resort State Park tramway

Meet a ranger at the bottom of Pipestem's tramway to walk within *Bluestone National Scenic River* for a mile and return. Along the way, enjoy the flora and fauna of the area and discover regional history. Bring \$2.25 for the return tram ride.

Early Birding 1 hour, 0.5 miles
LOCATION: Canyon Rim Visitor Center

See what birds wake up early at the visitor center site. Bring binoculars or some will be provided.

Grand Birding 2 hours, 1 mile
LOCATION: Grandview Visitor Center

Stroll the park looking and listening for birds of the New River Gorge. Bring binoculars and a favorite field guide or some will be provided.

Hike of the Week 2 to 2.5 hours
Explore the land on a leisurely hike, discovering the area's rich and diverse natural and cultural history. Most trails used for the following hikes are an easy walk, but be prepared for some moderate terrain.

- **June 9 LOCATION: Long Point** 3.2 miles
Meet at the Long Point Trailhead near Fayetteville
- **June 17 LOCATION: Nuttallburg** 2 miles
Meet at the Tipple Trail Trailhead at Nuttallburg
- **June 23 LOCATION: Endless Wall** 2 miles
Meet at the Endless Wall Fern Creek Trailhead in Lansing
- **June 30 LOCATION: Kaymoor** 4 miles
Meet at the Kaymoor Wolf Creek Trailhead on Fayette Station Road

Historic Thurmond 15 min. to 1 hour, 0.5 miles
11:00 am every Saturday & Sunday
LOCATION: Thurmond Depot Visitor Center

What was life like in one of the New River Gorge's most renowned towns? Meet a ranger in Thurmond's historic district for an informal tour of this once bustling railroad town, hearing stories of days gone by.

National Trails Day Hike 4 to 5 hours, 10 miles
LOCATION: base of Pipestem Resort State Park tramway

Take a walk on the wild side through *Bluestone National Scenic River* and explore the beauty and diversity of this remote area. Meet a ranger at the bottom of Pipestem's tramway to hike the Bluestone Turnpike Trail, which runs along the Bluestone River to Bluestone State Park. A FREE shuttle is provided for the return trip to Pipestem. Wear sturdy hiking shoes, bring lunch, and plenty of water.

Ranger's Choice 15 minutes to 2 hours
2:30 pm every Friday, Saturday, & Sunday; *start June 8
LOCATION: Canyon Rim Visitor Center

Come and go as you please for this informal program

with a ranger at Canyon Rim. Topics and hands-on exhibits vary with every program, each focusing on a different aspect of recreation, natural history, or cultural heritage of the New River Gorge .

Ranger on the Rock 15 minutes to 1 hour
6:30 pm daily (except Mondays); *start June 12
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West Virginia Day: Child of the Civil War 15 minutes to 2 hours
LOCATION: Canyon Rim Visitor Center

Celebrate West Virginia Day by learning about this fascinating state. This informal program will include the story of West Virginia's statehood during the Civil War and the many symbols that represent the Mountain State's rich Appalachian heritage.

Be a Super Steward of This Resource: Leave No Trace!

Whether you are on a trail to discover new sights or let your adrenaline flow, each of us can help care for parks during our visit. Think safety first and practice Leave No Trace Outdoor Ethics to play light on the land and respect others too.

- Plan ahead and prepare
- Travel and camp on durable surfaces
- Dispose of waste properly
- Leave what you find
- Minimize campfire impacts
- Respect wildlife
- Be considerate of other visitors

