

Petersburg National Battlefield 2015 Schedule of Events



**Note: Schedule is subject to change.
Please call (804) 732-3531 to confirm details.**

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Schedule of Artillery Demonstrations

Pegram's Company of Virginia Light Artillery (C.S.A.)
Demonstrations for the dates listed below will occur behind the
Eastern Front Visitor Center
1:00 - 4:30 p.m.

February 22

August 30

April 26

September 27

May 24

October 25

June 28

December 20

Also... (1:00 - 4:30 pm)

July 26

Eastern Front Unit, Tour Stop 8 (The Crater)

November 22

Eastern Front Unit, Tour Stop 3

Cooper's Battery (U.S.A.)

Demonstrations for the dates listed below will occur behind the
Eastern Front Visitor Center
1:00 - 4:30 p.m.

February 21

August 8

April 11

September 12

May 9

June 13

December 12

Concert at City Point

Date: Friday, August 28, 2015
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Grant's HQ at City Point, 1001 Pecan Avenue, Hopewell, VA
Contact: Ann Blumenschine Ann_Blumenschine@nps.gov / 804-732-3531 x203

Bring a chair and relax (or march!) while listening to the 392nd Army Band from Ft. Lee.

SEPTEMBER

Petersburg's Patients and Prisoners Part 2

Date: Saturday, September 5, 2015
Time: 10:30 am & 2:30 pm
Location: Departs from 201 West Washington Street in Petersburg, VA
Contact: Emmanuel Dabney Emmanuel_Dabney@nps.gov / 804-732-3531 x222

The 2 hour driving tour will cover sites associated with Petersburg's Civil War hospitals and prisoner of war sites. Participants will follow the ranger in their vehicles. For anyone who went on the tour offered in 2014, there will be different sites on this tour. The tours are free; but, due to parking constraints the morning and afternoon tours are limited to 8 vehicles each and visitors must make reservations. Contact Park Ranger Emmanuel Dabney to make your reservation. Please make sure to leave your name, telephone number, and/or e-mail address and how many vehicles will be in your party. Carpooling with family and friends is highly encouraged. Confirmation will be made by phone or e-mail.

The Forgotten Fourteen

Dates: Saturday, September 26, 2015
Time: 10:00 am & 2:00 pm
Location: Eastern Front Visitor Center
Contact: Robert Webster, Robert_Webster@nps.gov / 804-732-3531 x223

African-American infantry men fighting for the United States in the Civil War earned sixteen Medals of Honor. Fourteen of these medals were earned during the siege at the Battle of New Market Heights. Discover what these men achieved, their lives after the war and how they are remembered today.

Battle of Peebles' Farm

Date: Tuesday, September 29, 2015
Time: 3:00 pm
Location: Fort Fisher, Western Front Unit Tour Stop #3, Church Rd. & Flank Rd. Dinwiddie Co. VA
Contact: Tracy Chernault Tracy_Chernault@nps.gov / 804-7532-3531 x 200

Ranger's presentation on the Grant's Fifth offensive of the siege.

October

Hard Liquor and Women

Date: Cancelled—will re-schedule
Time:
Location:
Contact: Grant Gates Grant_Gates@nps.gov / 804 732-3531 x202

A one hour walking tour and living history event will begin at the Farmer's Market parking lot in Old Towne Petersburg. "Hard Liquor and Women" will follow an 1864 newspaper reporter as he walks the streets of Old Towne Petersburg making observations and conducting interviews to see how Confederate soldiers pass their scarce leisure time away from the boredom, noise and danger of the City's defense lines. Accompany the reporter as he explores a side of the Siege of Petersburg that is rarely written about.

United States Colored Troops in Winter Camp

Date: Sunday, October 24, 2014
Time: 10:00 am & 2:00 pm
Location: Tour Stop #3 Eastern Front, 5001 Siege Rd. Petersburg VA
Contact: Robert Webster Robert_Webster@nps.gov / 804-732-3531

Learn about the lives of United States Colored Troops and how they spent their time in camp during the winter months.

National Park Service Family Feud

Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2015
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Eastern Front Visitor Center, 5001 Siege Rd. Petersburg VA
Contact: Ann Blumenschine Ann_Blumenschine@nps.gov / 804-732-3531 x203

Come watch teams show off their park service knowledge as they compete for prizes.

November

Poplar Grove National Cemetery Annual Luminary

Due to beginning of cemetery's rehabilitation project there will be no luminary this year.

Confederate Countermines

Date: Saturday, November 14, 2015 (Rain Date Nov. 21, 2014)

Time: 1:00pm

Location: Tour Stop #5 Eastern Front, 5001 Siege Rd. Petersburg VA

Contact: Emmanuel Dabney Emmanuel_Dabney@nps.gov / 804-732-3531 x222

This walking tour will allow visitors to see where Confederates countermined beyond the Crater battlefield. This tour requires reservations and is limited to 20 participants. Participants will have to ford a creek and climb some rugged, hilly terrain with no real trails. Appropriate waterproof shoes and clothing is necessary to access this portion of the battlefield. . Contact Park Ranger Emmanuel Dabney to make your reservation. Please make sure to leave your name, telephone number, and/or e-mail address.

Thanksgiving in the Trenches

Date: Saturday, November 21, 2015

Time: 5:30pm & 6:45pm

Location: Tour Stop #3 Eastern Front, 5001 Siege Rd. Petersburg VA

Contact: Grant Gates Grant_Gates@nps.gov / 804-732-3531 x202

Visit Petersburg National Battlefield to witness how soldiers, Union and Confederate, observed the Thanksgiving season. Guided lantern tours will take place at tour stop #3 of the Eastern Front Unit. Each tour will consist of five stops where different scenes will play out depicting moments of peace to moments of violence. The event is free of charge.

Reservations are required to participate in this tour. To make a reservation, please call (804) 732-3531 ext. 202. Reservations can also be requested by e-mailing. Please make sure to leave your name, telephone number, and/or e-mail address as confirmation will be made by phone or e-mail. Register early as there is a limit of 30 people per tour.

December

Union Aid Organizations during the Petersburg Campaign

Date: Saturday, December 5, 2015

Time: 1:00pm

Location: Grant's Headquarters at City Point, 1001 Pecan Avenue, Hopewell, VA.

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