

Grant Grove Ranger Programs

July 17 - 24, 2011

National Park Service
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Sequoia and Kings Canyon
National Parks



Sunday, July 17

- * 10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk
- * 8:30 PM Campfire Program:
The Miracle Grove

Monday, July 18

- * 10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk
- * 4:00 PM Feature Creature:
Owls: Masters of the Night
- * 8:30 PM Campfire Program:
A Visit with John Muir

Tuesday, July 19

- * 10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk
- * 4:00 PM Feature Creature:
Slithery, Slimy, Crawly
- * 8:30 PM Campfire Program:
Coyote Tales

Wednesday, July 20

- * 10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk
- 4:00 PM Feature Creature:
Mountain Lions - Should You Be Afraid?
- * 8:30 PM Campfire Program:
A Universe of Stars

* Accessible program 

Thursday, July 21

- * 10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk
- * 8:30 PM Campfire Program:
*Art, Photography and Preservation
in the Range of Light*

Friday, July 22

- 10:00 AM Photo Walk
- * 10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk
- * 2:00 PM Who Goes There?
- 3:00 PM Meadow Meander
- * 8:30 PM Campfire Program:
Fire!

Saturday, July 23

- * 10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk
- 2:00 PM Birding Basics
- * 4:00 PM Name That Skull!
- 8:30 PM Star Stories
Reservations Required
- * 8:30 PM Campfire Program:
A Visit with John Muir

Sunday, July 24

- * 10:00 AM Grant Tree Walk
- * 4:00 PM Feature Creature:
Owls: Masters of the Night
- * 8:30 PM Campfire Program:
Bears All Around

Program Descriptions

Birding Basics: See a few of our feathered neighbors up close, then stroll over to Bradley Meadow to look for birds in the bushes. No experience necessary; bring binoculars if you have them. This 1 hour program meets in front of the visitor center and walks up to ¼ mile.

Campfire Program: Join a ranger at the Sunset Amphitheater for a 1-hour talk or slide show about the people, places and things that make Kings Canyon so special.

Grant Tree Walk: This easy 1-hour, ½-mile walk through the sequoia grove is suitable for all ages and fitness levels. Learn about the giant sequoias and why people have been coming to Grant Grove for over 100 years. Meet in the Grant Tree parking lot.

Meadow Meander: Yes, the trees are the most famous inhabitants of these parks, but the places where the trees don't grow are at least as important. Find out why in this easy stroll around one of our local meadows. Meet in front of the visitor center. 1 hour, ½ mile.

Mountain Lions - Should You Be Afraid? We are visitors in a place cougars call home. Although we need to be aware of our surroundings, if we understand these wild cats, we need not walk in fear. Meet at the Kings Canyon Visitor Center to learn more in this ½-hour talk.

Name That Skull! Dead men tell no tales, but these bones have the answers to lots of questions. Join a ranger in front of the visitor center for a ½-hour talk to see what skulls can tell us about the creatures they came from.

Owls - Masters of the Night: Wherever you go in Sequoia and Kings Canyon, you are probably in the home of at least one species of owl. Meet in the Discovery Room at the visitor center for a ½-hour talk to learn why owls are so successful.

Photo Walk: Not only is nature photography a way for us to enjoy and interact with wilderness, it has also helped to preserve the places we love to photograph. Join a ranger, with or without your camera, for a 2-hour, 1-mile walk. Meet at the visitor center and caravan to the trail.

Slithery, Slimy, Crawly: Meet at the visitor center for an in-depth look into the lives of some of Kings Canyon's reptiles and amphibians. We will investigate some special adaptations these interesting animals use to survive. ½ hour.

Star Stories: Meet the ranger at the visitor center, then caravan to Panoramic Point for a tour of the constellations. Enjoy stories from the past. 1½ hours, ¼ mile. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.

Who Goes There? We may not see many of the animals that live in Kings Canyon National Park, but they leave behind clues to their presence. Learn about animal tracking in this ½-hour talk. Meet at the visitor center.

All ranger programs are FREE and open to the public