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## White Sands National Monument Full Moon Nights Summer 2011

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### **Randy Granger**

Native American Flutist Randy Granger will fill the moonlit night with his unique blend of instruments, interpretation of traditional melodies, and heartfelt music. Join this native New Mexican for a relaxing summer evening.

\*8:30 pm Tuesday, May 17

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### **Ralph Estes**

Ralph Estes will present an evening of cowboy songs and stories. Ralph, accompanied by the autoharp and guitar, will share stories of the “world’s oldest living cowboy.” Through working cowboy songs and humor. Join Ralph under the moon for an evening of laughter and song.

\*8:30 pm Wednesday, June 15

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### **Loretta’s Barbed Wire Band**

Sounds of classic country and Norteño ballads along with contemporary country songs will fill the moonlit night when Loretta’s Barbed Wire Band takes the stage in July. Hailing from El Paso, Texas, this band will take listeners on a country music journey that captures the essence of the borderland.

\*8:30 pm Friday, July 15

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### **Vignettes of White Sands**

Join the park rangers of White Sands for a behind-the-scenes tour of the monument. Rangers will share stories of lizard chases, backcountry rescues, visitor interactions, and new discoveries in the Galápagos of North America. Enjoy four 15-minute vignettes and learn about the monument from an insider’s perspective.

\*8:00 pm Sunday, August 14

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### **Connie Dover & Skip Gorman**

Cowboy singer/musician Skip Gorman and Celtic singer and poet Connie Dover will bring together their down-deep heartfelt interpretations of the traditional music of the American West, Ireland, and Scotland under the brilliant light of the full moon.

\*7:30 pm Tuesday, September 13

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### **The Roots of Cowboy Culture**

Join Rudy Avila and Alex Mares with Furs -N- Spurs Farm & Fun around a campfire for a walk through time that discusses the origins of cowboy culture. With coffee brewing and biscuits cooking in traditional Dutch ovens, Rudy and Alex will provide an overview of Native American pre-history and their contributions to modern Cowboy Culture. A chronology and description of the Spanish Entrada, with emphasis on the introduction of European plants and animals and the Arabic/Spanish/Mexican origins of terms used today by modern cowboys and vaqueros, will be shared. Afterwards, the public will be welcome to sample coffee and biscuits with the presenters.

\*7:00 pm Wednesday, October 12

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Programs are held in monument’s amphitheater and are free. Monument entrance fees apply: \$3.00 per person 16 years and older. Events may be canceled due to weather and will not be rescheduled. Reservations are not accepted. Visit [www.nps.gov/whsa](http://www.nps.gov/whsa) for more information.