

Summer Ranger Programs

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Teachers can bring a group to Yellowstone (with at least three weeks prior notice), have a ranger visit a school in the area, or schedule a video conference with students anywhere. Details at www.nps.gov/yell/forteachers

Junior Ranger Wildlife Olympics

Fun for all ages!

During this Summer Olympics year, test your skills and compare your abilities to animals in Yellowstone. How far can you jump? How well can you see and smell? Take part in Junior Ranger Wildlife Olympics on scheduled Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays between noon and 3 PM. Stay for as little or as long as your plans allow.



Old Faithful (Mondays 12–3 PM)

Near Old Faithful Visitor Education Center
June 11, 18, 25 • July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 • August 6, 13, 20

Canyon Village (Wednesdays 12–3 PM)

Near Canyon Visitor Education Center
June 6, 13, 20, 27 • July 4, 11, 18, 25 • August 1, 8, 15, 22

Mammoth Hot Springs (Fridays 12–3 PM)

Near Albright Visitor Center
June 8, 15, 22, 29 • July 6, 13, 20, 27 • August 3, 10, 17, 24



Call 307-344-2251 three weeks ahead to arrange for a sign language interpreter at ranger programs.
TTY 307-344-2386



Look for this symbol in descriptions for ranger programs that are wheelchair accessible.

Stars Over Yellowstone

The Museum of the Rockies (Bozeman, Montana) has partnered with Yellowstone since 1999 to offer this educational program series. Enjoy programs about astronomy, find constellations, hear stories, and view celestial objects through telescopes, weather permitting.

Night Sky Observing

**10:30 PM Fridays and Saturdays:
June 15 & 16 and July 13 & 14**

Madison Information Station Parking Lot. Find the Milky Way, planets, craters on the Moon, the center of the Galaxy, star clusters, and nebula. Telescopes available. Bring a flashlight.



Safe Solar Observing

12 noon–2 PM Saturdays:

June 16 and July 13.

Old Faithful Visitor Education Center area. Safely view the sun through telescopes. Great for the whole family.

Astronomy Programs at Madison Amphitheater

Cosmic Update 2018

9:30 PM Fridays, June 16 and July 13

What's up, what's new, what's hot in the larger universe today? Presented by Mr. Jim Manning, science education consultant and former Executive Director of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific.

Destination Mars

9:30 PM Saturdays, June 16 and July 14

A look at this summer's Mars opposition, current and future explorations, and how it may have started out like Yellowstone. Presented by Jim Manning.

Old Faithful

Ranger Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Geyser Hill Walk (May 27 to September 4) Geysers Hill is at the heart of the world's greatest concentration of geysers. Explore this special corner of the park and learn about the relationship between Yellowstone's volcanic history and hydrothermal features on this 1¼-mile walk. Meet outside on the geyser side of the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center. 1½ hours.	8:30 AM 5/27-9/2	8:30 AM 5/28-9/3	8:30 AM 5/29-8/28	8:30 AM 5/30-8/29	8:30 AM 5/31-8/30	8:30 AM 6/1-8/31	8:30 AM 6/2-9/1
Mystic Falls Walk (June 10 to September 3) Explore a special part of the Yellowstone Ecosystem while enjoying this 2½-mile walk through Biscuit Basin to Mystic Falls. Meet at the Firehole River Bridge adjacent to the Biscuit Basin parking lot, 2 miles north of Old Faithful. Moderately strenuous. 1½ hours.	9 AM 6/10-9/2	9 AM 6/11-9/3	9 AM 6/12-8/28	9 AM 6/13-8/29	9 AM 6/14-8/30	9 AM 6/15-8/31	9 AM 6/16-9/1
Junior Ranger Activity Site (June 3 to September 3) Learn about Yellowstone's wonderful wildlife, geysers, history and much more. This is a great opportunity to complete the ranger-led activity required to earn your Junior Ranger patch. These family programs are geared towards kids 5-12 years old. <i>While it is not required, you can purchase a Junior Ranger booklet at the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center</i> Meet near the Old Faithful yurts, east of the Visitor Education Center. Accessible. 30 minutes.	10:30 AM 11:30 AM 12:30 PM 1:30 PM 2:30 PM 3:30 PM 6/3-9/2	10:30 AM 11:30 AM 12:30 PM 1:30 PM 2:30 PM 3:30 PM 6/4-9/3	10:30 AM 11:30 AM 12:30 PM 1:30 PM 2:30 PM 3:30 PM 6/5-8/28	10:30 AM 11:30 AM 12:30 PM 1:30 PM 2:30 PM 3:30 PM 6/6-8/29	10:30 AM 11:30 AM 12:30 PM 1:30 PM 2:30 PM 3:30 PM 6/7-8/30	10:30 AM 11:30 AM 12:30 PM 1:30 PM 2:30 PM 3:30 PM 6/8-8/31	10:30 AM 11:30 AM 12:30 PM 1:30 PM 2:30 PM 3:30 PM 6/9-9/1
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (May 27 to September 3) Whether you're hiking a backcountry trail, camping, or just enjoying the park's amazing wildlife from the road, this quick workshop is for you and your family. Learn where to look for animals and how to safely enjoy your wildlife watching experience. Meet outside on the geyser side of the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center. Accessible. 20 minutes.	11 AM 5/27-9/2 4 PM 6/17-9/2	11 AM 5/28-9/3 4 PM 6/18-9/3	11 AM 5/29-8/28 4 PM 6/19-8/28	11 AM 5/30-8/29 4 PM 6/20-8/29	11 AM 5/31-8/30 4 PM 6/21-8/30	11 AM 6/1-8/31 4 PM 6/22-8/31	11 AM 6/2-9/1 4 PM 6/23-9/1
Young Scientist Investigation (June 13 to August 29) Are the geysers alive? Is the volcano still active? Be a Citizen Scientist for the day and investigate these questions and more. Using the <i>Young Scientist</i> booklet as a guide, explore the Upper Geyser Basin with a ranger. <i>While it is not required, you can purchase a booklet at the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center.</i> Meet at Castle Geyser, ½ mile west of Old Faithful (15-minute walk from the Visitor Education Center). 1¼ hours.				12 PM 1:45 PM 6/13-8/29			
Junior Ranger Wildlife Olympics (June 11 to August 20) Kids can test their skills and compare their abilities to the animals of Yellowstone. How far can you jump? How well can you see and smell? Stay for as little or as long as your plans allow. Meet at the Wildlife Olympics tent between the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center and Old Faithful Geyser. Accessible. Average time 30 minutes.		12-3 PM 6/11-8/20					
Geysers Galore (May 27 to September 3) Take a quick peek at Yellowstone's fascinating geysers and visible geologic story. Meet on the boardwalk in front of Old Faithful near the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center. Accessible. 10 minutes.	12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 3:15 PM 3:45 PM 5/27-9/2	12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 3:15 PM 3:45 PM 5/28-9/3	12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 3:15 PM 3:45 PM 5/29-8/28	12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 3:15 PM 3:45 PM 5/30-8/29	12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 3:15 PM 3:45 PM 5/31-8/30	12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 3:15 PM 3:45 PM 6/1-8/31	12:15 PM 12:45 PM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 3:15 PM 3:45 PM 6/2-9/1
Black Sand Walk (June 10 to September 3) Discover a lesser-known gem. As you stroll through one of Yellowstone's most striking hydrothermal areas, you will learn about volcanic geology and the unique history of Black Sand Basin on this ½-mile walk. Meet at Black Sand Basin parking lot, one mile north of Old Faithful. 1 hour.	1 PM 6/10-9/2	1 PM 6/11-9/3	1 PM 6/12-8/28	1 PM 6/13-8/29	1 PM 6/14-8/30	1 PM 6/15-8/31	1 PM 6/16-9/1

<p>Stroll around Old Faithful (June 17 to September 3) Celebrate the history of Old Faithful. Take an easy ¾-mile walk with a ranger around Old Faithful Geyser. View dramatic hot springs and geysers while gaining insight into Yellowstone's dynamic history. Meet outside on the geyser side of the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center. 1 hour.</p>	4 PM 6/17–9/2	4 PM 6/18–9/3	4 PM 6/19–8/28	4 PM 6/20–8/29	4 PM 6/21–8/30	4 PM 6/22–8/31	4 PM 6/23–9/1
<p>Geyser Discovery Stroll (June 17 to September 3) On this short walk, learn about one of the rarest geological features on earth. The Upper Geyser Basin is home to the densest concentration of geysers in the world. Meet at Castle Geyser, ½ mile west of Old Faithful (15-minute walk from the Visitor Education Center). 1½ hours.</p>	4:30 PM 6/17–9/2	4:30 PM 6/18–9/3	4:30 PM 6/19–8/28	4:30 PM 6/20–8/29	4:30 PM 6/21–8/30	4:30 PM 6/22–8/31	4:30 PM 6/23–9/1
<p>Old Faithful Evening Program (June 17 to September 3) Learn more about Yellowstone's natural and cultural history in this presentation highlighting one of Yellowstone's wonders. Inquire locally on bulletin boards and at the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center for program descriptions. Meet in the theater of the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center. ♿ Accessible. 45 minutes.</p>	7 PM 6/17–9/2	7 PM 6/18–9/3	7 PM 6/19–8/28	7 PM 6/20–8/29	7 PM 6/21–8/30	7 PM 6/22–8/31	7 PM 6/23–9/1

Canyon Village

Ranger Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
<p>Canyon Rim Walk (June 24 to September 3) Explore the ecology, geology, and history of the canyon along the South Rim Trail. Enjoy stunning views of the Yellowstone River, Lower Falls, and the gorgeous colors of the canyon walls. Meet at the Artist Point parking lot, near the restrooms on the South Rim Drive for this moderate walk of approximately 1 mile. 1½ hours.</p>	9 AM 6/24–9/2	9 AM 6/25–9/3	9 AM 6/26–8/28	9 AM 6/27–8/29	9 AM 6/28–8/30	9 AM 6/29–8/31	9 AM 6/30–9/1
<p>Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (May 26 to September 3) Whether you're hiking a backcountry trail, camping, or just enjoying the park's amazing wildlife from the road, this quick workshop is for you and your family. Learn where to look for animals and how to safely enjoy your wildlife watching experience. Meet in front of Canyon Visitor Education Center. ♿ Accessible. 20 minutes.</p>	9 AM 6/10–9/2 4 PM 5/27–9/2	9 AM 6/11–9/3 4 PM 5/28–9/3	9 AM 6/12–8/28 4 PM 5/29–8/28	9 AM 6/13–8/29 4 PM 5/30–8/29	9 AM 6/14–8/30 4 PM 5/31–8/30	9 AM 6/15–8/31 4 PM 6/1–8/31	9 AM 6/16–9/1 4 PM 5/26–9/1
<p>Junior Ranger Wildlife Olympics (June 6 to August 22) Kids can test their skills and compare their abilities to the animals of Yellowstone. How far can you jump? How well can you see and smell? Stay for as little or as long as your plans allow. Meet in front of the Canyon Visitor Education Center. ♿ Accessible. 30 minutes.</p>				12–3 PM 6/6–8/22			
<p>Canyon Talks at Artist Point (June 17 to September 3) From a classic viewpoint, enjoy Lower Falls, the Yellowstone River, and the spectacular colors of the canyon while learning about the area's natural and human history. Discover why artists and photographers continue to be drawn to this special place. Meet on the lower platform at Artist Point on the South Rim Drive for this short talk. ♿ Accessible. 20 minutes.</p>	2 PM 2:30 PM 6/17–9/2	2 PM 2:30 PM 6/18–9/3	2 PM 2:30 PM 6/19–8/28	2 PM 2:30 PM 6/20–8/29	2 PM 2:30 PM 6/21–8/30	2 PM 2:30 PM 6/22–8/31	2 PM 2:30 PM 6/23–9/1
<p>Evening Program (July 1 to September 3) Learn more about Yellowstone's natural and cultural history in this presentation highlighting one of Yellowstone's wonders. Inquire locally on bulletin boards and at the Canyon Visitor Education Center for program descriptions. Meet at the Canyon Campground Amphitheater. ♿ Accessible. 45 minutes.</p>	9:30 PM 7/1–7/29 9 PM 8/5–9/2	9:30 PM 7/2–7/30 9 PM 8/6–9/3	9:30 PM 7/3–7/31 9 PM 8/7–8/28	9:30 PM 7/4–8/1 9 PM 8/8–8/29	9:30 PM 7/5–8/2 9 PM 8/9–8/30	9:30 PM 7/6–8/3 9 PM 8/10–8/31	9:30 PM 7/7–8/4 9 PM 8/11–9/1

Mammoth Hot Springs

Ranger Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Hot Springs Terraces Walk (June 24 to September 3) Explore Yellowstone's powerful geologic past and present while meandering around the Mammoth Hot Springs Terraces. Learn how these dynamic travertine formations are unique among the park's thermal features. Meet at the entrance of the Upper Terrace Drive , two miles south of Mammoth village. 1½ hours.	9 AM 6/24–9/2	9 AM 6/25–9/3	9 AM 6/26–8/28	9 AM 6/27–8/29	9 AM 6/28–8/30	9 AM 6/29–8/31	9 AM 6/30–9/1
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (May 26 to September 3) Whether you're hiking a backcountry trail, camping, or just enjoying the park's amazing wildlife from the road, this quick workshop is for you and your family. Learn where to look for animals and how to safely enjoy your wildlife watching experience. Meet in front of Albright Visitor Center. Accessible. 20 minutes.	10 AM 4 PM 5/27–9/2	10 AM 4 PM 5/28–9/3	10 AM 4 PM 5/29–8/28	10 AM 4 PM 5/30–8/29	10 AM 4 PM 5/31–8/30	10 AM 4 PM 6/1–8/31	10 AM 4 PM 5/26–9/1
Junior Ranger Wildlife Olympics (June 8 to August 24) Kids can test their skills and compare their abilities to the animals of Yellowstone. How far can you jump? How well can you see and smell? Stay for as little or as long as your plans allow. Meet in front of the Albright Visitor Center. Accessible. 30 minutes.						12–3 PM 6/8–8/24	
Calling in the Cavalry Walk (June 17 to September 3) In its early days, Yellowstone National Park was protected by the U. S. Army. Learn about important historic park events and discover the role of the U.S. military in protecting Yellowstone on this short, relaxed walk around Fort Yellowstone. Meet in front of Albright Visitor Center. Accessible. 1 hour.	5 PM 6/17–9/2	5 PM 6/18–9/3	5 PM 6/19–8/28	5 PM 6/20–8/29	5 PM 6/21–8/30	5 PM 6/22–8/31	5 PM 6/23–9/1
Evening Program (July 1 to September 3) Learn more about Yellowstone's natural and cultural history in this presentation highlighting one of Yellowstone's wonders. Inquire locally on bulletin boards and at Albright Visitor Center for program descriptions. Meet at the Mammoth Campground Amphitheater. Accessible. 45 minutes.	9:30 PM 7/1–7/29 9 PM 8/5–9/2	9:30 PM 7/2–7/30 9 PM 8/6–9/3	9:30 PM 7/3–7/31 9 PM 8/7–8/28	9:30 PM 7/4–8/1 9 PM 8/8–8/29	9:30 PM 7/5–8/2 9 PM 8/9–8/30	9:30 PM 7/6–8/3 9 PM 8/10–8/31	9:30 PM 7/7–8/4 9 PM 8/11–9/1

Tower Fall Campground/ Tower Area

Ranger Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Tower Evening Program (June 16 to September 1) Peer into the lives of some of the Yellowstone ecosystem's wildest inhabitants. Inquire locally on bulletin boards for program descriptions. Meet at the Tower Fall Campground Amphitheater. 45 minutes.			8 PM 6/19–8/28				8 PM 6/16–9/1
Stars Above Yellowstone (June 14, July 5, 12, August 2, 12) Explore Yellowstone's pristine night sky. Meet at Forces of the Northern Range parking area. Look for "Self-Guiding Trail" sign on Mammoth to Tower Road approximately 8 miles east of Mammoth Hot Springs and 10 miles west of Tower Junction. Accessible. 2 hours.	10 PM 8/12				10:30 PM 6/14, 7/5, 7/12 10 PM 8/2		

Indian Creek Campground

Ranger Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Indian Creek Evening Program (June 26 to August 31) Peer into the lives of some of the Yellowstone ecosystem's wildest inhabitants. Inquire locally on bulletin boards for program descriptions. Meet at the Indian Creek Campfire circle. Accessible. 45 minutes.			7:30 PM 6/26–8/28			7:30 PM 6/29–8/31	

Norris

Ranger Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Windows Into Yellowstone (June 24 to September 3) Experience the muddy caldrons, acid geysers and clear pools of Norris Geyser Basin. Walk through this magical land and learn about the park's geologic past, present, and future. Meet at Norris Geyser Basin Museum. 1½ hours.	9:30 AM 6/24–9/2	9:30 AM 6/25–9/3	9:30 AM 6/26–8/28	9:30 AM 6/27–8/29	9:30 AM 6/28–8/30	9:30 AM 6/29–8/31	9:30 AM 6/30–9/1
World's Tallest (June 17 to September 3) Explore the rare and fascinating world of geysers at the tallest active geyser on Earth. Meet at Steamboat Geyser (15-minute walk from the Norris Geyser Basin parking lot). <i>In rainy weather, the talk will be held at the Norris Geyser Basin Museum. Check with the ranger at the information desk. 20 minutes.</i>	2 PM 3 PM 6/17–9/2	2 PM 3 PM 6/18–9/3	2 PM 3 PM 6/19–8/28	2 PM 3 PM 6/20–8/29	2 PM 3 PM 6/21–8/30	2 PM 3 PM 6/22–8/31	2 PM 3 PM 6/23–9/1
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (June 10 to September 3) Whether you're hiking a backcountry trail, camping, or just enjoying the park's amazing wildlife from the road, this quick workshop is for you and your family. Learn where to look for animals and how to safely enjoy your wildlife watching experience. Meet at Norris Geyser Basin Museum. 20 minutes.	4 PM 6/10–9/2	4 PM 6/11–9/3	4 PM 6/12–8/28	4 PM 6/13–8/29	4 PM 6/14–8/30	4 PM 6/15–8/31	4 PM 6/16–9/1
Norris Campfire Program (July 1 to September 3) Bring the whole family for an old-fashioned, cozy campfire talk. Inquire locally for program descriptions. Meet at the Norris Campground campfire circle. ♿ Accessible. 45 minutes.	7:30 PM 7/1–9/2	7:30 PM 7/2–9/3	7:30 PM 7/3–8/28	7:30 PM 7/4–8/29	7:30 PM 7/5–8/30	7:30 PM 7/6–8/31	7:30 PM 7/7–9/1



Arts in the Park

The National Park Service and Yellowstone Forever offer a variety of art, photography, and social media activities. These hands-on programs are designed to inspire new and creative ways of enjoying the beauty and wonder of Yellowstone.



- Pop-up Art Studio: Create your own art inspired by your surroundings, with artists and park staff ready to assist you.
- Pop-up Photo Workshops: Join Yellowstone's park photographer to enhance your photography skills.
- Social Media Meets: Join social media team members from Yellowstone (@YellowstoneNPS) and Yellowstone Forever (@YNPForever) to make friends, take photos, and share stories.

Keep your eyes open for these off-the-beaten-path events.

Check locally at Visitor Centers and on the park website for information on locations, dates, and times.

Visitor Centers

(Check locally for hours of operation)

Horace M. Albright Visitor Center

Located at Mammoth Hot Springs, in Historic Fort Yellowstone. Get immersed in the history of Yellowstone and the National Park Service, and the wildlife of Yellowstone's Northern Range. **Open daily, year round.**

☎ 307-344-2263

Canyon Visitor Education Center

Learn about the Yellowstone supervolcano and the forces that drive regional geology.

Open May 26 to November 4, 2018

☎ 307-344-2550

Fishing Bridge Museum and Visitor Center

See vintage exhibits about the park's birds and other wildlife, and dive into the distinctive geology of Yellowstone Lake.

Open May 25 to September 3, 2018

☎ 307-344-2450

Grant Visitor Center

Explore the extraordinary ecological and social impacts of the historic fires of 1988.

Open May 25 to October 8, 2018

☎ 307-344-2650

Madison Information Station

Open May 25 to October 8, 2018

☎ 307-344-2821

Museum of the National Park Ranger

Located one mile north of Norris, visit with retired rangers and explore the history of the park ranger profession.

Open May 25 to September 23, 2018

☎ 307-344-7353

Norris Geyser Basin Museum and Information Station

Exhibits about the range of hydrothermal features in Yellowstone.

Open May 19 to October 8, 2018.

☎ 307-344-2812

Old Faithful Visitor Education Center

Dynamic exhibits about the world's most active hydrothermal area. Junior Ranger programs prepared especially for our younger visitors available 6/3–9/3. Call ahead for Geyser eruption predictions.

Open April 20 to November 4, 2018.

☎ 307-344-2751.

West Thumb Information Station

Pique your curiosity before exploring the adjacent geyser basin on the shore of Yellowstone Lake. **Open May 25 to October 8, 2018.**

☎ 307-344-2650

West Yellowstone Visitor Info. Center

The National Park Service desk inside the West Yellowstone Chamber of Commerce offers trip planning, fishing permits, and ranger programs. **NPS Desk open daily April 20 to November 4, 2018. Chamber of Commerce open daily April 30 to November 10, 2018.**

☎ 307-344-2876

Fishing Bridge and Lake Village

Ranger Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Mud Volcano Ramble (May 26 to September 3) <i>“The greatest marvel we have yet met with,”</i> declared early explorers. View colorful, vociferous, and intriguing mudpots and hot springs, and find out what they reveal about Yellowstone’s explosive past and future. Moderately strenuous. Meet at the Mud Volcano parking area. 1½ hours.	10 AM 5/27–9/2	10 AM 5/28–9/3	10 AM 5/29–8/28	10 AM 5/30–8/29	10 AM 5/31–8/30	10 AM 6/1–8/31	10 AM 5/26–9/1
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (May 26 to September 3) Whether you’re hiking a backcountry trail, camping, or just enjoying the park’s amazing wildlife from the road, this quick workshop is for you and your family. Learn where to look for animals and how to safely enjoy your wildlife watching experience. Meet at the Fishing Bridge Visitor Center. Accessible. 20 minutes.	2:30 PM 5/27–9/2	2:30 PM 5/28–9/3	2:30 PM 5/29–8/28	2:30 PM 5/30–8/29	2:30 PM 5/31–8/30	2:30 PM 6/1–8/31	2:30 PM 5/26–9/1
Featured Creature (June 18 to September 3) Enthralling and diverse wild animals, some found few other places in North America, nor in such profusion, are revealed in Yellowstone. Learn the secrets of one of Yellowstone’s wild animals. Meet at the Fishing Bridge Visitor Center. Accessible. 30 minutes.	4 PM 6/24–9/2	4 PM 6/18–9/3	4 PM 6/19–8/28	4 PM 6/20–8/29	4 PM 6/21–8/30	4 PM 6/22–8/31	4 PM 6/23–9/1
Storm Point Saunter (June 11 to September 3) Wander along the ever-changing lakeshore and through a diversity of landscapes including a lush meadow dotted with wildflowers and an ancient forest of spruce, pine, and fir. Experience Yellowstone in its true splendor. Meet at Indian Pond at the Storm Point trailhead, 3 miles east of Fishing Bridge. Easy 2.3-mile hike. Bring water, raingear, and good hiking shoes. 2½ hours.	4 PM 6/17–9/2	4 PM 6/11–9/3	4 PM 6/12–8/28	4 PM 6/13–8/29	4 PM 6/14–8/30	4 PM 6/15–8/31	4 PM 6/16–9/1
Fishing Bridge Evening Program (June 18 to September 3) Learn more about Yellowstone’s natural and cultural history in this presentation highlighting one of Yellowstone’s wonders. Inquire locally on bulletin boards and at Fishing Bridge Visitor Information Center for program descriptions. Meet at Fishing Bridge Visitor Center Amphitheater. Dress warmly and bring a flashlight. Accessible. 45 minutes.	9:30 PM 6/24–7/29 9 PM 8/5–9/2	9:30 PM 6/18–7/30 9 PM 8/6–9/3	9:30 PM 6/19–7/31 9 PM 8/7–8/28	9:30 PM 6/20–8/1 9 PM 8/8–8/29	9:30 PM 6/21–8/2 9 PM 8/9–8/30	9:30 PM 6/22–8/3 9 PM 8/10–8/31	9:30 PM 6/23–8/4 9 PM 8/11–9/1

Bridge Bay

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Lake SceniCruise (June 11 to September 9) Join a National Park Service ranger on a narrated boat tour on the ethereal water of Yellowstone Lake, with views of the wondrous Absaroka Mountains, historic Lake Hotel & Village, and surrounding lodgepole pine forest. <i>Reservations required in advance through Xanterra Parks and Resorts. Call 307-344-7311 or stop by the Bridge Bay Marina (Other tours available throughout the day). (\$18 plus tax for adults, \$10.50 plus tax for kids ages 3–11, free for kids under 3.)</i> Accessible. 1 hour.	9 AM 10:30 AM 1 PM 6/17–9/9	9 AM 10:30 AM 1 PM 6/11–9/3	9 AM 10:30 AM 1 PM 6/12–9/4	9 AM 10:30 AM 1 PM 6/13–9/5	9 AM 10:30 AM 1 PM 6/14–9/6	9 AM 10:30 AM 1 PM 6/15–9/7	9 AM 10:30 AM 1 PM 6/16–9/8
Evening Program (May 26 to September 3) Learn more about Yellowstone’s natural and cultural history in this presentation highlighting one of Yellowstone’s wonders. Inquire locally on bulletin boards and at Fishing Bridge Visitor Information Center for program descriptions. Meet at the Bridge Bay Campground Amphitheater. Dress warmly and bring a flashlight. Accessible. 45 minutes.	9:30 PM 5/27–7/29 9 PM 8/5–9/2	9:30 PM 5/28–7/30 9 PM 8/6–9/3	9:30 PM 5/29–7/31 9 PM 8/7–8/28	9:30 PM 5/30–8/1 9 PM 8/8–8/29	9:30 PM 5/31–8/2 9 PM 8/9–8/30	9:30 PM 6/1–8/3 9 PM 8/10–8/31	9:30 PM 5/26–8/4 9 PM 8/11–9/1

Grant Village and West Thumb

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Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (May 27 to September 3) Whether you're hiking a backcountry trail, camping, or just enjoying the park's amazing wildlife from the road, this quick workshop is for you and your family. Learn where to look for animals and how to safely enjoy your wildlife watching experience. Meet on the back porch of the Grant Visitor Center. ♿ Accessible. 20 minutes	10:30 AM 4:30 PM 5/27-9/2	10:30 AM 4:30 PM 5/28-9/3	10:30 AM 4:30 PM 5/29-8/28	10:30 AM 4:30 PM 5/30-8/29	10:30 AM 4:30 PM 5/31-8/30	10:30 AM 4:30 PM 6/1-8/31	10:30 AM 4:30 PM 6/2-9/1
Gazing into the Abyss (June 3 to September 3) Look deep into beautiful Abyss Hot Spring and discover the secrets it holds. Meet at Abyss Hot Spring located in the West Thumb Geyser Basin, ¼ mile from the start of the boardwalk. Easy. ♿ Accessible with assistance. 10 minutes.	1 PM 1:30 PM 2 PM 2:30 PM 6/3-9/2	1 PM 1:30 PM 2 PM 2:30 PM 6/4-9/3	1 PM 1:30 PM 2 PM 2:30 PM 6/5-8/28	1 PM 1:30 PM 2 PM 2:30 PM 6/6-8/29	1 PM 1:30 PM 2 PM 2:30 PM 6/7-8/30	1 PM 1:30 PM 2 PM 2:30 PM 6/8-8/31	1 PM 1:30 PM 2 PM 2:30 PM 6/9-9/1
Junior Ranger Discovery Program (June 17 to August 25) Investigate and discover the many curiosities of Yellowstone during this interactive program geared towards kids 4-13 years and up. Meet at the Grant Village Pavilion, located behind the visitor center along the edge of the lake. ♿ Accessible. 30 minutes.	11:30 AM 6/17-8/19	11:30 AM 6/18-8/20	11:30 AM 6/19-8/21	11:30 AM 6/20-8/22	11:30 AM 6/21-8/23	11:30 AM 6/22-8/24	11:30 AM 6/23-8/25
West Thumb Geyser Basin Walk (June 10 to September 3) Take a guided walk along the beautiful shores of Yellowstone Lake while exploring the origins of glittering geysers, belching mud pots, and emerald hot springs in West Thumb's dynamic geyser basin. Meet at the West Thumb Visitor Information Station. Round-trip distance is ½ mile. Easy. ♿ Accessible with assistance. 1 hour.	1 PM 4 PM 6/10-9/2	1 PM 4 PM 6/11-9/3	1 PM 4 PM 6/12-8/28	1 PM 4 PM 6/13-8/29	1 PM 4 PM 6/14-8/30	1 PM 4 PM 6/15-8/31	1 PM 4 PM 6/16-9/1
Ranger Rendezvous (June 10 to September 3) This early evening program is designed for the young and young at heart. Learn more about Yellowstone's diverse geology, history, or wildlife riches. Daily programs are posted at the Grant Visitor Center. Meet behind the visitor center at the Grant Village Lake Shore Pavilion. <i>Dress warmly and bring a flashlight.</i> ♿ Accessible. 30 minutes.	7 PM 6/10-9/2	7 PM 6/11-9/3	7 PM 6/12-8/28	7 PM 6/13-8/29	7 PM 6/14-8/30	7 PM 6/15-8/31	7 PM 6/16-9/1
Grant Village Evening Program (July 1 to September 3) Learn more about Yellowstone's natural and cultural history in this presentation highlighting one of Yellowstone's wonders. Inquire locally and on bulletin boards for program descriptions. Meet at the Grant Visitor Center Amphitheater. <i>Dress warmly and bring a flashlight.</i> ♿ Accessible. 45 minutes.	9:30 PM 7/1-7/29 9 PM 8/5-9/2	9:30 PM 7/2-7/30 9 PM 8/6-9/3	9:30 PM 7/3-7/31 9 PM 8/7-8/28	9:30 PM 7/4-8/1 9 PM 8/8-8/29	9:30 PM 7/5-8/2 9 PM 8/9-8/30	9:30 PM 7/6-8/3 9 PM 8/10-8/31	9:30 PM 7/7-8/4 9 PM 8/11-9/1

Get kids outdoors for better health

Junior Ranger

If you are age 4 or older, you can become a Yellowstone Junior Ranger. Stop by any visitor center to purchase a Junior Ranger activity booklet for \$3. To earn your official Yellowstone Junior Ranger patch, you need to:

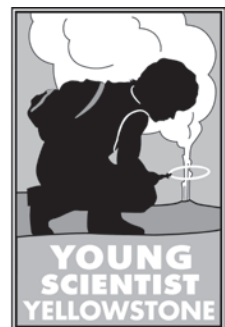
- Hike on a park trail or boardwalk.
- Complete the age-appropriate activities on geothermal geology, park wildlife, and fire ecology.
- Attend a ranger-led activity—such as a talk, guided walk, or evening campfire program—and get the ranger's signature.



Both children and adults benefit by learning more about the natural wonders of the park and sharing the fun of becoming a Junior Ranger.

Young Scientist

If you are age 5 or older, you can become a Yellowstone Young Scientist. Purchase a self-guiding booklet for \$5 at the Canyon Visitor Education Center (ages 10 and up) or Old Faithful Visitor Education Center (ages 5 and up). If you are investigating in the Old Faithful area, check out a Young Scientist Toolkit for the gear you need. When you have finished the investigation, you will be awarded a Young Scientist patch or key chain.



Madison

Ranger Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (June 3 to September 3) Whether you're hiking a backcountry trail, camping, or just enjoying the park's amazing wildlife from the road, this quick workshop is for you and your family. Learn where to look for animals and how to safely enjoy your wildlife watching experience. Meet at the Madison Information Station. Accessible. 20 minutes.	9:30 AM 6/3-9/2	9:30 AM 6/4-9/3	9:30 AM 6/5-8/28	9:30 AM 6/6-8/29	9:30 AM 6/7-8/30	9:30 AM 6/8-8/31	9:30 AM 6/9-9/1
Harlequin Lake Walk (June 15 to August 31) This moderately easy 1.5-mile round trip hike will introduce you to a beautiful and secluded home for waterfowl and beaver. Meet at the third pullout, 1.5 miles west of Madison Junction on the west entrance road, opposite the Harlequin Lake Trailhead. 2 hours.						11 AM 6/15-8/31	
Flames of Renewal Activity (June 25 to September 1) This activity-based program that talks about the essential role that wildland fire plays in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. Meet at the Madison Information Station. Accessible with assistance. 30 minutes.		2:30 PM 6/25-8/27	2:30 PM 6/26-8/28	2:30 PM 6/27-8/29	2:30 PM 6/28-8/30		2:30 PM 6/30-9/1
Terrace Springs Walk (June 17 to September 2) Ramble through one of Yellowstone's lesser-known thermal areas to learn about life on the edge of an active volcano. Meet at the Terrace Springs parking lot, 1 mile north of Madison Junction. Accessible with assistance. 45 minutes.	3 PM 6/17-9/2						
Evening Program (June 10 to September 3) Learn more about Yellowstone's natural and cultural history in this presentation highlighting one of Yellowstone's wonders. Inquire locally and on bulletin boards for program descriptions. Meet at the Madison Amphitheater. Accessible. 45 minutes.	9:30 PM 6/10-7/29 9 PM 8/5-9/2	9:30 PM 6/11-7/30 9 PM 8/6-9/3	9:30 PM 6/12-7/31 9 PM 8/7-8/28	9:30 PM 6/13-8/1 9 PM 8/8-8/29	9:30 PM 6/14-8/2 9 PM 8/9-8/30	9:30 PM 6/15-8/3 9 PM 8/10-8/31	9:30 PM 6/16-8/4 9 PM 8/11-9/1

West Yellowstone

Ranger Program Descriptions	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
Explore Yellowstone (June 17 to September 4) Need help planning your time in Yellowstone? Meet at the West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center in West Yellowstone (SW corner of Yellowstone Avenue and Canyon Street) for a talk about what to see and do in the park. Accessible. 30 minutes.	9 AM 6/17-9/2	9 AM 6/18-9/3	9 AM 6/19-8/28	9 AM 6/20-8/29	9 AM 6/21-8/30	9 AM 6/22-8/31	9 AM 6/23-9/1
Experiencing Wildlife in Yellowstone (June 10 to September 3) Whether you're hiking a backcountry trail, camping, or just enjoying the park's amazing wildlife from the road, this quick workshop is for you and your family. Learn where to look for animals and how to safely enjoy your wildlife watching experience. Meet at the West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center in West Yellowstone (corner of Yellowstone Avenue and Canyon Street). Accessible. 20 minutes.	9:30 AM 6/10-9/2	9:30 AM 6/11-9/3	9:30 AM 6/12-8/28	9:30 AM 6/13-8/29	9:30 AM 6/14-8/30	9:30 AM 6/15-8/31	9:30 AM 6/16-9/1
Afternoon Talk in West (June 17 to September 3) A National Park Service ranger will discuss a captivating aspect of Yellowstone's natural or cultural history. Meet at the Yellowstone Historic Center Museum (SW corner of Yellowstone Avenue and Canyon Street) or the Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center (201 South Canyon Street). <i>Talks are free and open to the public. There is a fee if you choose to visit the rest of the Yellowstone Historic Center or the Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center.</i> Accessible. 30 minutes.	Yell HCM 2 PM 6/17-9/2	Yell HCM 2 PM 6/18-9/3	GWDC 2 PM 6/19-8/28	Yell HCM 2 PM 6/20-8/29	GWDC 2 PM 6/21-8/30	Yell HCM 2 PM 6/22-8/31	GWDC 2 PM 6/23-9/1
Evening Program (June 19 to August 28) Learn more about Yellowstone's natural and cultural history in this presentation highlighting one of Yellowstone's wonders. Inquire locally and on bulletin boards for program descriptions. Meet at the West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center in West Yellowstone (corner of Yellowstone Avenue and Canyon Street). Accessible. 45 minutes.			7 PM 6/19-8/28				