

Ranger-Led Programs

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Canyon Village							
Artist Point Talk <i>September 7-30</i> Enjoy the Upper Falls, Yellowstone River, and the spectacular colors of the canyon from this classic viewpoint, while learning about the area's geology, ecology, or history. Meet a ranger on the Lower Deck of the Artist Point overlook off the South Rim Drive for this short talk. ⌚ 10-15 minutes	10 AM 10:20 AM 10:40 AM 2 PM 2:20 PM 2:40 PM 9/12-9/26	10 AM 10:20 AM 10:40 AM 2 PM 2:20 PM 2:40 PM 9/13-9/27	10 AM 10:20 AM 10:40 AM 2 PM 2:20 PM 2:40 PM 9/7-9/28	10 AM 10:20 AM 10:40 AM 2 PM 2:20 PM 2:40 PM 9/8-9/29	10 AM 10:20 AM 10:40 AM 2 PM 2:20 PM 2:40 PM 9/9-9/30	10 AM 10:20 AM 10:40 AM 2 PM 2:20 PM 2:40 PM 9/10-9/24	10 AM 10:20 AM 10:40 AM 2 PM 2:20 PM 2:40 PM 9/11-9/25
Walking the Edge <i>September 7-30</i> Enjoy learning about the ecology, geology, and history of the canyon while walking along the South Rim Trail with a ranger. Gain stunning views of the Yellowstone River, Upper and Lower Falls, and the gorgeous colors of the canyon walls. Meet a park ranger at the parking area for Uncle Tom's Point on the South Rim Drive (road to Artist Point) for this easy walk of approximately 1 mile. <i>1½ hours</i>	3 PM 9/12-9/26	3 PM 9/13-9/27	3 PM 9/7-9/28	3 PM 9/8-9/29	3 PM 9/9-9/30	3 PM 9/10-9/24	3 PM 9/11-9/25
Canyon Evening Program <i>September 10-25</i> Join a park ranger for an illustrated program and learn more about some aspect of Yellowstone's natural or cultural history. Inquire locally on bulletin boards and at the Canyon Visitor Education Center for program titles and descriptions. Meet at the Canyon Visitor Education Center . ⌚ 45 minutes	9 PM 9/12-9/19					9 PM 9/10-9/24	9 PM 9/11-9/25
Fishing Bridge & Lake Village							
Lake Scenic Cruise <i>September 7-12</i> Join a park ranger on a narrated boat tour on the ethereal water of Yellowstone Lake, with views of the wondrous Absaroka Mountains, historic Lake Hotel & Village, surrounding lodgepole pine forest, and other spectacular sights. Reservations required in advance through Xanterra Parks and Resorts. Call 307-344-7311 or stop by the Bridge Bay Marina (\$15.55 for adults, \$9.82 for kids ages 3-11, free for kids under 3). ⌚ 1 hour	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/12		9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/7	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/8	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/9	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/10	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 1:15 PM 9/11
Storm Point Saunter <i>September 7-30</i> 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 and the Storm Point trailhead, 3 miles east of Fishing Bridge. 2.3 miles. Easy. <i>2 hours</i>	10 AM 9/12-9/26	10 AM 9/13-9/27	10 AM 9/7-9/28	10 AM 9/8-9/29	10 AM 9/9-9/30	10 AM 9/10-9/24	10 AM 9/11-9/25
Mud Volcano Ramble <i>September 7-30</i> "The greatest marvel we have yet met with," 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. $\frac{3}{8}$ mile. Moderately strenuous. Meet at the Mud Volcano area. <i>1½ hours</i>	11 AM 9/12-9/26	11 AM 9/13-9/27	11 AM 9/7-9/28	11 AM 9/8-9/29	11 AM 9/9-9/30	11 AM 9/10-9/24	11 AM 9/11-9/25
Featured Creature <i>September 7-30</i> Enthralling and diverse wild animals, found in few other places in North America, nor in such profusion, are revealed in Yellowstone. Unveil the story of one of them. Meet at the Fishing Bridge Visitor Center. ⌚ 30 minutes	2:30 PM 9/12-9/26	2:30 PM 9/13-9/27	2:30 PM 9/7-9/28	2:30 PM 9/8-9/29	2:30 PM 9/9-9/30	2:30 PM 9/10-9/24	2:30 PM 9/11-9/25
River Reflections <i>September 7-30</i> From a picturesque spot along the Yellowstone River, explore Fishing Bridge area history and one of the most important cogs in the motor of the Yellowstone ecosystem: the rare, mysterious, wily, polka-dotted, and beautiful cutthroat trout. Meet on the west side of the Fishing Bridge. <i>20 minutes</i>	3:30 PM 9/12-9/26	3:30 PM 9/13-9/27	3:30 PM 9/7-9/28	3:30 PM 9/8-9/29	3:30 PM 9/9-9/30	3:30 PM 9/10-9/24	3:30 PM 9/11-9/25
Grant Village & West Thumb							
Hot Water Wilderness <i>September 7-29</i> Come to the West Thumb Geyser Basin and explore the origins of glittering geysers, belching mudpots, and emerald hot springs. Stroll along the shores of Yellowstone Lake to uncover West Thumb's explosive past and dynamic future. Meet at the West Thumb Visitor Information Center. $\frac{3}{4}$ mile. ⌚ with assistance. <i>90 minutes</i>	11 AM 9/12-9/26	11 AM 9/13-9/27	11 AM 9/7-9/28	11 AM 9/8-9/29	11 AM 9/9-9/23	11 AM 9/10-9/24	11 AM 9/11-9/25
Wildlife Wonders <i>September 7-29</i> Interested in learning about the best viewing areas, habits, adaptations, mysteries, or even threats to one of Yellowstone's fascinating animals? Relax in the shade as a ranger reveals the secrets of Yellowstone's wildlife. Meet on the Grant Visitor Center back porch. <i>20 minutes</i>	2:15 PM 9/12-9/26	2:15 PM 9/13-9/27	2:15 PM 9/7-9/28	2:15 PM 9/8-9/29	2:15 PM 9/9-9/23	2:15 PM 9/10-9/24	2:15 PM 9/11-9/25
Grant Village Evening Program <i>September 5-27</i> Join a park ranger for this illustrated presentation focusing on Yellowstone's natural or cultural wonders. Check locally for program topics. Meet at the Grant Visitor Center auditorium. ⌚ 45 minutes	7:30 PM 9/5-9/26	7:30 PM 9/6-9/27	7:30 PM 9/7-9/21	7:30 PM 9/8-9/22	7:30 PM 9/9-9/23	7:30 PM 9/10-9/24	7:30 PM 9/11-9/25
Madison							
Madison Evening Program <i>September 7-30</i> Each night a park ranger will present an illustrated program highlighting a different aspect of Yellowstone's wonders. Inquire locally on bulletin boards and at the Madison Information Station for program titles and descriptions. Meet at the Madison amphitheater. ⌚ 45 minutes	8 PM 9/12-9/26	8 PM 9/13-9/27	8 PM 9/7-9/28	8 PM 9/8-9/29	8 PM 9/9-9/30	8 PM 9/10-9/24	8 PM 9/11-9/25

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Junior Ranger Program

If you are between the ages of 5 and 12, you can become a Junior Ranger! Stop by any park visitor center to purchase the official Junior Ranger newspaper for \$3, then complete the program requirements. Junior Rangers will be awarded arrowhead-shaped patches—a wolf track patch if you are ages 5 to 7, a bear track if you are ages 8 to 12.



Young Scientist Program

No matter how old you are, you can become a 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. Once you have completed the investigation, you will be awarded a Young Scientist patch or key chain.

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Road, service, & program schedules can change. Always check locally for updates!

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Mammoth Hot Springs							
Tales of the Travertine <i>September 7-30</i> The travertine terraces at Mammoth Hot Springs are one of Yellowstone's most unusual, beautiful, and misunderstood hydrothermal features. Come learn how powerful earth forces constantly create and change these formations, and whether or not they really are "drying up." Meet at the end of the Palette Spring boardwalk, just up from the Liberty Cap rock formation. ♻️ 15 minutes	10:30 AM 11 AM 9/12-9/26	10:30 AM 11 AM 9/13-9/27	10:30 AM 11 AM 9/7-9/28	10:30 AM 11 AM 9/8-9/29	10:30 AM 11 AM 9/9-9/30	10:30 AM 11 AM 9/10-9/24	10:30 AM 11 AM 9/11-9/25
Wonders of Yellowstone <i>September 7-30</i> Yellowstone is full of wonders such as amazing geology, wildlife, history, and beauty. Join us as a ranger shares insights into one fascinating aspect of this magical place. Meet on the front lawn of the Albright Visitor Center, or in the theater if it's raining. ♻️ 20 minutes	2 PM 9/12-9/26	2 PM 9/13-9/27	2 PM 9/7-9/28	2 PM 9/8-9/29	2 PM 9/9-9/30	2 PM 9/10-9/24	2 PM 9/11-9/25
Calling in the Cavalry <i>September 7-30</i> In its early days, Yellowstone National Park was protected by the U. S. Cavalry. Join a ranger at Fort Yellowstone to learn about historic park events and to discover the role the Army played in protecting Yellowstone. Meet on the front lawn of Albright Visitor Center, or in the theater if it's raining. ♻️ 30 minutes	4:30 PM 9/12-9/26	4:30 PM 9/13-9/27	4:30 PM 9/7-9/28	4:30 PM 9/8-9/29	4:30 PM 9/9-9/30	4:30 PM 9/10-9/24	4:30 PM 9/11-9/25
Norris							
Windows Into Yellowstone <i>September 7-17</i> Experience the muddy caldrons, acidic geysers, and clear pools of Norris Geyser Basin! Join a park ranger for a walk through this magical land and learn about the park's geologic past, present, and future. Meet at the Norris Geyser Basin Museum. Bring water, sunglasses, and sunscreen. 1½ hours	10 AM 9/12	10 AM 9/13	10 AM 9/7-9/14	10 AM 9/8-9/15	10 AM 9/9-9/16	10 AM 9/10-9/17	10 AM 9/11
World's Tallest <i>September 7-17</i> Discover how geysers work at the world's tallest active geyser! Meet at Steamboat Geyser, a 15-minute walk from the Norris Geyser Basin parking lot. <i>In wet weather, the talk will be held at the Norris Geyser Basin Museum.</i> 20 minutes	3:30 PM 4 PM 9/12	3:30 PM 4 PM 9/13	3:30 PM 4 PM 9/7-9/14	3:30 PM 4 PM 9/8-9/15	3:30 PM 4 PM 9/9-9/16	3:30 PM 4 PM 9/10-9/17	3:30 PM 4 PM 9/11
Old Faithful							
Ranger Adventure Hikes <i>September 7-30</i> Enter the wilderness world of Yellowstone's backcountry on a half-day hike with a park ranger. These free hikes vary from easy to strenuous. Some hikes are not recommended for people with heart, breathing, or serious medical conditions. Reservations are required in advance. All children 15 and under must be accompanied by an adult. <i>Hike descriptions and more information are available at the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center.</i>			8 AM 9/7-9/28 FAIRY FALLS FROLIC LIMIT: 20 HIKERS	8 AM 9/8-9/29 SHOSHONE LAKE DISCOVERY LIMIT: 15 HIKERS	8 AM 9/9-9/30 LONE STAR STROLL LIMIT: 20 HIKERS	8 AM 9/10-9/24 FAIRY FALLS FROLIC LIMIT: 20 HIKERS	8 AM 9/11-9/25 SHOSHONE LAKE DISCOVERY LIMIT: 15 HIKERS
Morning on Geyser Hill <i>September 7-30</i> Geyser Hill is at the heart of the world's greatest concentration of geysers. Enjoy a morning exploration of this special corner of the park and learn about the relationship between Yellowstone's volcanic history and hydrothermal features on this ¼ mile walk. Meet at the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center. 1½ hours	9 AM 9/12-9/26	9 AM 9/13-9/27	9 AM 9/7-9/28	9 AM 9/8-9/29	9 AM 9/9-9/30	9 AM 9/10-9/24	9 AM 9/11-9/25
Geysers Galore! <i>September 7-30</i> Take a quick peek at Yellowstone's fascinating geysers and visible geologic story. Meet a park ranger at the benches in front of Old Faithful near the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center. ♻️ 10 minutes	12:15 AM 12:45 AM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/12-9/26	12:15 AM 12:45 AM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/13-9/27	12:15 AM 12:45 AM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/7-9/28	12:15 AM 12:45 AM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/8-9/29	12:15 AM 12:45 AM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/9-9/30	12:15 AM 12:45 AM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/10-9/24	12:15 AM 12:45 AM 1:15 PM 1:45 PM 2:15 PM 2:45 PM 9/11-9/25
Geyser Discovery Stroll <i>September 7-30</i> Learn about one of the rarest geological features on Earth—geysers! Accompany a ranger through the Upper Geyser Basin exploring the world of geysers. Meet at Castle Geyser, ½ mile west of Old Faithful (15 minute walk from the visitor center). 1½ hours	2:30 PM 9/12-9/26	2:30 PM 9/13-9/27	2:30 PM 9/7-9/28	2:30 PM 9/8-9/29	2:30 PM 9/9-9/30	2:30 PM 9/10-9/24	2:30 PM 9/11-9/25
Stroll Around Old Faithful <i>September 7-30</i> Take an easy ¼-mile walk with a ranger around Old Faithful Geyser. View dramatic hot springs and geysers while gaining insight into Yellowstone's dynamic geology. Meet at the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center. 45 minutes	4:30 PM 9/12-9/26	4:30 PM 9/13-9/27	4:30 PM 9/7-9/28	4:30 PM 9/8-9/29	4:30 PM 9/9-9/30	4:30 PM 9/10-9/24	4:30 PM 9/11-9/25
Old Faithful Evening Program <i>September 7-30</i> Each evening a different aspect of Yellowstone's wonders will be featured during this 45-minute illustrated program. Meet the ranger in the theater of the Old Faithful Visitor Education Center. ♻️ 45 minutes	7:30 PM 9/12-9/26	7:30 PM 9/13-9/27	7:30 PM 9/7-9/28	7:30 PM 9/8-9/29	7:30 PM 9/9-9/30	7:30 PM 9/10-9/24	7:30 PM 9/11-9/25
West Yellowstone, MT (West Entrance)							
Explore Yellowstone! <i>September 7-30</i> Would you like ideas on how to spend your time in Yellowstone? Meet a park ranger at the West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center (corner of Yellowstone Avenue and Canyon Street) for a talk about what to see and do in the park. ♻️ 20-30 minutes	9:30 AM 9/12-9/26	9:30 AM 9/13-9/27	9:30 AM 9/7-9/28	9:30 AM 9/8-9/29	9:30 AM 9/9-9/30	9:30 AM 9/10-9/24	9:30 AM 9/11-9/25
Afternoon Talk in West Yellowstone <i>September 7-30</i> Each afternoon, a ranger will present a talk on a captivating aspect of Yellowstone's natural or cultural history. The Yellowstone Historic Center Museum is located at the corner of Yellowstone Avenue and Canyon Street. The Grizzly and Wolf Discovery Center is located at 201 South Canyon Street. Talks are free and open to the public. There is a fee if you choose to visit the rest of the museum or discovery center. ♻️ 30 minutes	2 PM YELLOWSTONE HISTORIC CENTER MUSEUM 9/12-9/26	2 PM YELLOWSTONE HISTORIC CENTER MUSEUM 9/13-9/27	2 PM GRIZZLY & WOLF DISCOVERY CENTER 9/7-9/28	2 PM YELLOWSTONE HISTORIC CENTER MUSEUM 9/8-9/29	2 PM GRIZZLY & WOLF DISCOVERY CENTER 9/9-9/30	2 PM YELLOWSTONE HISTORIC CENTER MUSEUM 9/10-9/24	2 PM GRIZZLY & WOLF DISCOVERY CENTER 9/11-9/25
Evening Program in West Yellowstone <i>September 7-28</i> Join a park ranger for an illustrated program highlighting a fascinating aspect of Yellowstone's wonders. Location: West Yellowstone Visitor Information Center (corner of Yellowstone Avenue and Canyon Street). ♻️ 45 minutes			7 PM 9/7-9/28			7 PM 9/10-9/24	

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Youth Conservation Corps

Since 1984, Yellowstone National Park's summer Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) Program has recruited youth (ages 15-18) from all social, economic, ethnic, and racial backgrounds. Corps members work together under adult leadership learning about environmental and conservation issues while completing projects such as trail rehabilitation and campground restoration. Through this experience, young people develop job and leadership skills and explore opportunities for future NPS careers. Corps members also enjoy hiking, rafting, and field trips throughout the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. For more information on Yellowstone's 2011 YCC Program, email us at: YELL_YCC_Office@nps.gov.



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Call three weeks ahead:
307-344-2251.



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