2015 Summer Ranger Program Schedule | May 23 – September 7

Programs may be cancelled in the event of lightning or other extreme conditions.

Please do not bring pets on ranger programs. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water on hikes.

A = Accessible Program

AL = Assisted Listening Available (Please arrive 15 minutes early for assisted listening services.)

Dickey Ridge (mile 4.6), Mathews Arm (mile 22.2 Elkwallow (mile 24)).	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Discover Fox Hollow Trail Explore the Fox family homestead. <i>Meet at Dickey Ridge Visitor Center, East Terrace (mile 4.6), 2 hrs, 1.2-mile hike</i>			10:00 a.m.			10:00 a.m.		10:00 a.m.
Snead Farm Stroll Discover what makes Shenandoah a unique place on this leisurely hike. Meet at the south end of Dickey Ridge Picnic Grounds (mile 5), 2 hrs, 1.5-mile walk				10:00 a.m.				
Mount Marshall Hike Hike along the historic Appalachian Trail to a spectacular Shenandoah Valley view. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water. Meet at the Mount Marshall parking area (mile 15.9), 2 hrs, 1.5-mile hike		10:00 a.m.			10:00 a.m.		10:00 a.m.	
Terrace Talk Learn about a special feature of Shenandoah National Park. Dickey Ridge Visitor Center (mile 4.6), 20-30 minutes	А	11:00 a.m.						
Wild About Bears Learn about Shenandoah's largest mammal. Elkwallow Wayside (mile 24), 20-30 minutes	А	2:00 p.m.						
Junior Ranger Program Discover Shenandoah at this hands-on program for ages 7-12. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Meet at parking area near Mathews Arm Campground kiosk (mile 22.2), 1 hr, less than 1-mile walk								4:30 p.m.
Mathews Arm Ranger Talk Join a ranger to explore one aspect of Shenandoah. Check at visitor centers for topics. Dress for cool mountain nights. Mathews Arm Campground (mile 22.2), 45 minutes	А							7:30 p.m.

Skyland (miles 41.7 and 42.5)		SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Stony Man Hike Stony Man has stories to tell, both historic and natural. Stony Man Trailhead (mile 41.7), 2 hrs, 2-mile hike		10:00 a.m.						
Ancient Volcano Hike Learn how volcanoes shaped Shenandoah and how geology still affects life here. Timber Hollow Overlook (mile 43.3), 2 hrs, steep and rocky in places, 2-mile hike		2:00 p.m.		2:00 p.m.		2:00 p.m.		2:00 p.m.
Junior Ranger Program Discover Shenandoah at this hands-on program for ages 7-12. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Skyland Amphitheater (mile 42.5), 1.5 hrs, less than 1-mile walk			2:30 p.m.		2:30 p.m.		2:30 p.m.	
Massanutten Lodge Open House Tour Addie Pollock's restored bungalow and hear the stories of early Skyland Resort. Stop in between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Located at Skyland lower level. (Park near Skyland Conference Hall and walk uphill.)	А	3:00 to 5:00 p.m.						
Skyland Evening Program Join a ranger for a national park tradition, and look at the natural and cultural history of Shenandoah. Check visitor centers for topics. Dress for cool mountain nights. Skyland Amphitheater (42.5), 45 minutes	A, AL		8:30 p.m.		8:30 p.m.		8:30 p.m.	

Big Meadows (mile 51), Lewis Mountain (mile 5	7.2)	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Birds of Prey Meet a live raptor and learn about why these birds are important. Big Meadows Amphitheater (mile 51), 30 minutes	A, AL	10:00 a.m.		10:00 a.m.		10:00 a.m.		10:00 a.m.
Meadow Walk Experience a rare high-elevation wetland meadow on this gentle walk. Byrd Visitor Center (mile 51), 1.5 hrs, 1-mile walk	AL		10:00 a.m.		10:00 a.m.		10:00 a.m.	
The Wild Side of Shenandoah Celebrate one of Shenandoah's amazing animals at this short talk. <i>Byrd Visitor Center (mile 51), 20-30 minutes</i>	A, AL	11:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Historic Rapidan Camp Tour Travel by van 30 minutes to President Hoover's summer retreat. Reservations required. Limited seating. Call Byrd Visitor Center for details: (540) 999-3500 ext. 3283. Reservations may be made between one and 14 days in advance. Meet at Byrd Visitor Center (mile 51), 2.5 hrs	A, AL	1:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m.				1:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m.		10:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m.
Appalachian Trail Hike Take a short journey on the most famous long-distance hiking trail in the world. Milam Gap parking area (mile 52.4), 2 hrs, 2.1-mile hike			2:00 p.m.		2:00 p.m.		2:00 p.m.	
Junior Ranger Program Discover Shenandoah at this hands-on program for ages 7-12. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Byrd Visitor Center (mile 51), 1.5 hrs, less than 1-mile walk	AL	2:30 p.m.		2:30 p.m.		2:30 p.m.		2:30 p.m.
Evening Meadow Walk Investigate the meadow as day turns into night. Byrd Visitor Center (mile 51), 1 hr, less than 1-mile walk	AL		7:30 p.m.		7:30 p.m.			
Lewis Mountain Evening Program Join a ranger to explore one aspect of Shenandoah. Check at visitor centers for topics. Dress for cool mountain nights. Lewis Mountain Picnic Grounds (mile 57.2), 45 minutes	А			7:30 p.m.			7:30 p.m.	
Big Meadows Evening Program Join a ranger for a national park tradition, and take an engaging look at the natural and cultural history of Shenandoah. Check visitor centers for topics. Dress for cool mountain nights. Big Meadows Amphitheater (mile 51), 45 minutes	A, AL	8:30 p.m.		8:30 p.m.		8:30 p.m.		8:30 p.m.

Loft Mountain (mile 79.5)		SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Blackrock Summit Hike Experience the Appalachian Trail, diverse park habitats, intriguing geology, and great views. Blackrock Summit parking area (mile 84.8), 1.5 hrs, 1-mile hike		10:00 a.m.						10:00 a.m.
The Wild Side of Shenandoah Celebrate one of Shenandoah's amazing animals during this short talk. Loft Mountain Wayside (mile 79.5), 20-30 minutes	А	1:30 p.m.						1:30 p.m.
Junior Ranger Program Discover Shenandoah at this hands-on program for ages 7-12. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Loft Mountain Amphitheater (mile 79.5), 1.5 hrs, less than 1-mile walk							3:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.
Loft Mountain Evening Program Join a ranger for a national park tradition, and take an engaging look at the natural and cultural history of Shenandoah. Check visitor centers for topics. Dress for cool mountain nights. Loft Mountain Amphitheater (mile 79.5), 45 minutes	A, AL						8:30 p.m.	8:30 p.m.