El Capitan Shuttle closes for the season October 12.
F all and winter in Yosemite National Park provide memorable experiences and unique perspectives to those who visit this time of year. The golden lighting of the evening hours accentuate the fall colors in Yosemite Valley, while a fresh blanket of snow creates a magical wonderland. What remarkable treasures will you find during your visit to Yosemite this fall and winter? Here are some ideas on how to make the best of your time while visiting one of our nations’ ‘Crown Jewels’.

35 Years of Yosemite Deaf Services Celebrate the 15th Anniversary of Yosemite Deaf Services with a weekend full of sign language. Read the feature story and get program details on page 10.

Explore a Sequoia Grove Visit some of the largest living trees on earth in one of Yosemite’s three sequoia groves - The Mariposa Grove, Merced Grove and Tuolumne Grove. (See page 7 for more information.)

Visit the Yosemite Museum Learn about Yosemite Indians by exploring a museum collection that includes intricately woven baskets and traditional dress. Tour the outdoor Indian Village or walk with an Indian cultural demonstrator. The Yosemite Museum is located in Yosemite Village at shuttle stops #5 and #9. (See page 6.)

Stroll with a Ranger Learn about park wonders on a ranger-guided walk. Programs are offered daily in Yosemite Valley focusing on bears, geology, trees, and other topics. (See page 5 for more information.)

Attend a Naturalist Stroll On selected early evenings, take a one hour leisurely walk with a naturalist through the meadows and forests surrounding The Ahwahnee Hotel. Enjoy a vivid display of the alpenglow, glimpses of passing wildlife and stories of Yosemite’s natural and cultural history during this peaceful, up-close and personal look at Yosemite. (See page 5 for more information.)

Go Bike Riding or Ice Skating The Yosemite Lodge Bike Stand is open from 10am to 4pm and closes for the season on November 9, weather and conditions permitting. Call 209/372-8319 for more information on bike rentals. The Curry Village Ice Rink opens for the season on November 21, weather and conditions permitting.

Winter Weather and Driving in Yosemite The Tioga, Glacier Point, and Mariposa Grove Roads are closed each year from after the first significant snowfall to about late May or early June. Other roads are generally plowed and maintained, but can close or present delays during storm periods. Motorists are advised to always carry chains and check weather and road conditions before travel. Icy and wet roadways can exist throughout the park! To check road conditions, call 209/372-0200 for roads inside the park and 800/427-7623 or visit www.dot.ca.gov for highways connecting to Yosemite, outside the park.

Have You Lost Something In Yosemite? File a lost report by sending an email to yose_lostandfound@nps.gov. To inquire about items lost or found at one of Yosemite’s restaurants, hotels, lounges, shuttle buses or tour services, call 209/372-4357. For items lost or found in other areas of the park, email yose_lostandfound@nps.gov.

Seasonal Highlights

Keep this Guide with you to get the most out of your visit

Whether you’re looking for a cold-weather adventure, a warm fireplace, or a little of both, Yosemite is a magical place in fall and winter!

Tour The Ahwahnee...
Step back to an earlier era of history as you explore this National Historic Landmark that opened in 1927. Notable for its architecture and artful décor, the hotel provides a cozy atmosphere to relax and enjoy a warm drink in.

... or Curl Up in Front of a Fireplace!
The Ahwahnee has three grand fireplaces that have always provided heat to offset the year’s most frigid temperatures. Bring a book and a warm drink and find a cozy nook in front of the fire, the perfect place to warm your hands and toes.

Take a Photography Class
Learn how to best capture the landscape of Yosemite by joining a photography expert from The Ansel Adams Gallery. Several classes are offered each week. Some have fees, some are free. Learn more and sign up at the Ansel Adams Gallery in Yosemite Village. Shuttle stops #5 and #9. (See pages 5 and 6.)

Hike to Mirror Meadow
Situated at the base of Half Dome, Mirror Lake frames reflections of Yosemite’s most iconic cliff. (The lake itself is dry until the first significant precipitation of the season.) The quiet trail is gentle and follows Tenaya Creek as it winds its way through the eastern Valley. The trail starts at shuttle stop #17.

Get Outdoors With Yosemite Conservancy
Yosemite Conservancy is passionate about sharing Yosemite’s wonders. Spend a weekend observing the lives of birds or summit Half Dome with an expert leading you every step of the way. Looking for a custom Yosemite experience? Contact us to plan a Custom Adventure for your family or group. Visit yosemitechconservancy.org/adventures or 209/379-2317 ext. 10 to find your adventure today.

Go to the Theater
After a day filled with exploring, relax and enjoy a show at the Yosemite Theater. Yosemite Theater presents a variety of experiences, including plays based on some of the park’s most colorful characters, inspiring films, and celebrations of Yosemite’s culture and history. See page 5 for shows and starting times. The last show will be October 25.

Yosemite Art Center Workshops
Yosemite Conservancy invites you to participate in one of our enriching and fun art workshops. Workshops are held Monday to Saturday in Yosemite Valley. There is a registration fee of $10 per visitor. The Art Center also offers weekly Beginner Art Workshops and Drop-In Family Crafts Programs. Register in advance by calling 209/372-1442.

Workshops take place at the Yosemite Art Center located next to the Village Store. Art supplies, gifts and original art are available for purchase. Open daily from 9am to 4:30pm (closed at 12pm for lunch). See page 6 for details. The Art Center will close for the season on October 26.

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Experience Your America Yosemite National Park
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Let your curiosity guide you to new places

Yosemite Valley

Yosemite Valley is world-famous for its impressive waterfalls, cliffs, and unusual rock formations. It is open year round and may be reached via Highway 41 from Fresno, Highway 140 from Merced, Highway 120 West from Mantecca, and via the Tioga Road (Highway 120 East) from Lee Vining. The Valley is known for massive cliff faces like El Capitan and Half Dome, its plunging waterfalls including the tallest in North America, and its attractive meadows. While Yosemite Falls will be dry until rain and snow recharge it, a moderate hike will take you to Vernal and Nevada Falls. Yosemite’s meadows are great places to see wildlife and to photograph fall colors. Admire El Capitan, the massive granite monolith that stands 3,393 feet from base to summit. Whether you explore the Valley by foot, bike, car or with a tour, the scenery will leave you in awe and eager to see what’s around the next corner.
Glacier Point Road

Glacier Point, an overlook with a commanding view of Yosemite Valley, Half Dome, and Yosemite’s high country, is located 30 miles (a one-hour drive) from Yosemite Valley. The road stays open as weather permits, however, overnight parking along it ends October 15. When the road is snow-covered and conditions permit, a system of cross-country ski tracks are maintained on it. From Yosemite Valley, take the Wawona Road (Highway 41), then turn left onto Glacier Point Road. At Glacier Point, a short, paved, and wheelchair-accessible trail takes you to an exhilarating view looking down 3,214 feet into Yosemite Valley.

Wawona and Mariposa Grove

The Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias is located 36 miles (1 ¾ hours) south of Yosemite Valley via the Wawona Road (Highway 41), two miles from the park’s south entrance station. When weather permits, the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias is a short drive from Wawona. Parking is also available at the Wawona Store and a free shuttle bus, which runs daily through October 26, from 9am to 6pm, then weekends only until November 16, as weather permits, accesses the grove. The grove road is closed to vehicles after the first big snowstorm, making it a peaceful hike or snowshoe for winter adventurists. See page 7 for Mariposa Grove hiking details. The nearby Pioneer Yosemite History Center in Wawona is a collection of historic buildings associated with people and events that shaped the national park idea in Yosemite.

Crane Flat and Tuolumne Grove

Crane Flat is located 16 miles from Yosemite Valley at the junction of the Big Oak Flat and Tioga Roads. A number of hikes through pleasant meadows are available—when snow covers the ground these turn into delightful ski and snowshoe tracks. To see giant sequoias, park at the Tuolumne Grove parking (see page 7 for parking lot closure dates) area located on the Tioga Road, and walk one steep mile down to the Tuolumne Grove of Giant Sequoias. Or, park at Merced Grove trailhead and walk two steep miles down to this small grove. These groves north of Yosemite Valley are smaller than the more-famous Mariposa Grove, but are quieter and off-limits to vehicles. Remember that the walk down is easier than the walk back up.

Tuolumne Meadows and Tioga Road

The Tioga Road offers a 39-mile scenic drive past forests, meadows, lakes, and granite domes. The road closes after the first big snowfall, and overnight parking ends on October 15. The road’s elevation ranges from 6,200 to just under 10,000 feet. Tuolumne Meadows embodies the high-country of the Sierra Nevada. The Wild and Scenic Tuolumne River winds through broad sub-alpine meadows surrounded by granite domes and peaks. It is the jumping off place for countless hikes, whether you venture out for a day or a week. In winter, Tuolumne Meadows is often reached by skiers via the Snow Creek Trail from the Mirror Lake trailhead, a short distance east of Yosemite Valley.

Hetch Hetchy

Hetch Hetchy Reservoir, a source of drinking water and hydroelectric power for the City of San Francisco, is home to spectacular scenery and the starting point for many wilderness trails. The area’s low elevation makes it a good place to hike in autumn and winter. The Hetch Hetchy Reservoir is located 40 miles (1 hour 15 minutes) from Yosemite Valley via the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120W) and the Evergreen Road. The Hetch Hetchy Road is open from 8am to 7pm through October 31, then 8am to 5pm through March 31. Vehicles and/or trailers over 25 feet long, and RVs and other vehicles over 8 feet wide are not permitted on the narrow, winding Hetch Hetchy Road.

DID YOU KNOW:

• Yosemite Deaf Services was established in 1979.
• Sign language interpreting is available year-round with advance notice.
• In its most popular year, Deaf Services served over 300 requests for interpreting.
• Sacramento, San Francisco, Reno, Las Vegas, and Los Angeles all have vibrant, active Deaf Communities.
• The sign for “Yosemite” moves in the shape of Yosemite Valley.

Want the Guide on your Apple or Android device?

Get the App!

Search NPS-Yosemite in app stores or at nps.gov/yose/planyourvisit to download the official park app for up-to-date listings of programs, services, an interactive map, and more!
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Yosemite Valley
Spectacular vistas in the heart of the park

Experience the Incomparable Yosemite Valley

Yosemite Valley embraces one of the world's most outstanding concentrations of waterfalls, granite walls, meadows, wildflowers, and trees. The Valley also harbors a rich collection of human stories, from American Indian lore to the birth of the National Park movement.

Yosemite Valley

An unlimited array of possibilities await you in Yosemite Valley. Most involve sightseeing and learning about the scenery. See pages 5 and 6 for more information on park programs and visitor services available.

Naturalist Programs

Naturalists give walks and talks every day about Yosemite's natural and cultural history. See pages 6 and 7 for more information on park programs and guided walks, talks, and evening programs.

Walking and Hiking

Yosemite Valley has a wide range of walking and hiking possibilities. Stop by a visitor center for a trail map and the most current trail conditions, or see page 9 for a list of popular Valley day hikes.

Sightseeing

Some of the famous landmarks in Yosemite Valley include:

• **Bridalveil Fall** is a year-round waterfall that can be visited on your way into or out of the Valley. Winds swirling about the cliff blow the wispy water into a delicate free-fall.

• **El Capitan** is a massive granite monolith that stands 3,993 feet from base to summit. From spring to fall, climbers come from all over the globe to scale El Capitan. **Note:** Please stay on foot paths to avoid damaging delicate meadows.

• **Half Dome.** Yosemite’s most distinctive monument dominates most views in Yosemite Valley. Forces of uplift, erosion from rivers and glaciers, and rockfall all shaped this iconic feature into what we see today. Cook’s Meadow, Sentinel Bridge and Glacier Point all provide stunning views of Half Dome.

• **Happy Isles.** is easily reached by the free shuttle bus at stop #16. The shuttle may not go to stop #16 when road is snow-covered or icy. Winds swirling about the cliff blow the wispy water into a delicate free-fall.

• **Tunnel View.** provides a view that showcases Yosemite Valley. Capture breathtaking views of El Capitan, Bridalveil Fall and Half Dome. It is particularly spectacular at sunset or after the clearing of a storm.

Tours

Tours listed depart from Yosemite Lodge, weather permitting. **Check Tour and Activity Desk for times.**

The Valley Floor Tour is a 26-mile, two-hour, guided tour of Yosemite Valley. It departs several times daily.

The Glacier Point Tour is a four-hour, round-trip tour that leaves Yosemite Lodge daily. One-way tickets are available for those who want to hike down from Glacier Point.

The Grand Tour includes the Yosemite Valley, Glacier Point, and the Mariposa Grove. The tour departs Yosemite Lodge at 8:45am daily.

The Glacier Point and The Grand tours end on October 26 or when snow closes the Glacier Point Road.

Call 209/372-1240 for reservations or inquire at the Tour and Activity Desk in the Yosemite Lodge.

**Tours**

**POST OFFICE**

- **Main Office**
  - Monday - Friday: 8:30am to 5pm
  - Saturday: 10am to noon
- **Post Office**
  - Monday - Friday: 12:30pm to 2:45pm
- **El Portal**
  - Monday - Friday: 8:30am to 5pm
  - Closed for lunch from 12:30pm to 1:30pm
- **Wawona**
  - Monday - Friday: 9am to 5pm
- **Bookstore, Gifts & Apparel**
  - **Yosemite Village**
    - The Ansel Adams Gallery: 9am to 5pm
    - Yosemite Bookstore: 9am to 5pm
    - Yosemite Museum Store: 9am to 5pm, may close for lunch
  - **Yosemite Village**
    - Village Store: 9am to 5pm, may close for lunch
  - **Glacier Point Road**
    - Glacier Point Gift Shop: 8am to 5pm

**Nature Shop**

- **Yosemite Village**
  - 8am to 7pm
- **Village Store**
  - 9am to 5pm
- **Mariposa Grove**
  - Village Store: 8am to 7pm
- **Ahwahnee**
  - Gift Shop: 8am to 8pm
- **Yosemite Bookstore**
  - 9am to 5pm
- **The Ansel Adams Gallery**
  - Monday - Friday: 9am to 5pm
  - Saturday: 9am to noon

**BOOKS, GIFTS, & APPAREL**

**Glacier Point Road**

- **The Ahwahnee Sweet Shop**
  - 8am to 8pm
- **The Ahwahnee Gift Shop**
  - 8am to 5pm, closed for the season Nov 2
- **Mountain Shop**
  - 11am to 4pm Thursday - Sunday only
- **Village Store**
  - 9am to 5pm, may close for lunch
- **Yosemite Village**
  - Yosemite Bookstore: 9am to 5pm
- **Wawona Gift/Grocery**
  - 9am to 5pm
- **Nature Shop**
  - 8am to 7pm
- **Ahwahnee**
  - Sweet Shop: 8am to 8pm
- **Yosemite Village**
  - Gift Shop: 8am to 8pm
- **Glacier Point Gift Shop**
  - 8am to 5pm
- **Wawona Store**
  - 8am to 5pm
- **Glacier Point Gift Shop**
  - 8am to 5pm
- **Wawona Gift/Grocery**
  - 8am to 7pm
- **Bookstore, Gifts & Apparel**
  - **Yosemite Village**
    - The Ansel Adams Gallery: 9am to 5pm
    - Yosemite Bookstore: 9am to 5pm
    - Yosemite Museum Store: 9am to 5pm, may close for lunch
  - **Ahwahnee**
    - Gift Shop: 8am to 8pm
    - Yosemite Bookstore: 9am to 5pm

**Wawona Post Office**

- **9am to 5pm, closes for the season Nov 2**

**Main Office**

- **Post Office**
  - 9am to 5pm, closed for the season Nov 2
- **Glacier Point Gift Shop**
  - 8am to 5pm
- **Market Square**
  - 9am to 5pm
- **Curry Village**
  - 9am to 5pm
- **Wawona Store**
  - 9am to 5pm
- **Curry Village Gift/Grocery**
  - 9am to 5pm
- **Wawona Store and Pioneer Gift Shop**
  - 8am to 6pm
- **Big Trees Gift Shop**
  - 8am to 5pm, closed for the season Nov 2, weather permitting.
**Events and Programs**

Where to go and what to do

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**Yosemite Valley**

**Sunday**

- **9:00am** Camera Walk: 1.5 hrs. Sign up in advance at the Ansel Adams Gallery and meet at the Ahwahnee Hotel. (TAAG)
- **10:00am** Art Workshop: October 18 & 25 only - 4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center. For more information see page 6. (YC)
- **11:00am** Ask A Climber (October 14 only - 4 hrs. Join a ranger at the El Capitan Bridge for this informal program. Use telescopes to observe climbers on El Capitan and learn about climbing in Yosemite. (NPS)
- **1:00pm** Ranger Walk - Bears: 1.5 hrs. Shuttle stop #49. (NPS)
- **7:00pm** Evening Program 1 hr. Check local listings for topics & venue. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls. (DNC)
- **8:00PM** NIGHT PROGRAM 1.5 hrs. Conditions permitting. Explore Yosemite at night. Tickets and information available at any tour & activity desk. (DNC)

**Monday**

- **9:00am** Camera Walk: 1.5 hrs. Sign up in advance and meet at the Ansel Adams Gallery. (TAAG)
- **10:00am** Art Workshop: October 18 & 25 only - 4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center. For more information see page 6. (YC)
- **11:00am** Ask A Climber (October 14 only - 4 hrs. Join a ranger at the El Capitan Bridge for this informal program. Use telescopes to observe climbers on El Capitan and learn about climbing in Yosemite. (NPS)
- **1:00pm** Using Your Digital Camera 4 hrs. Sign up and meet at the Ansel Adams Gallery. (TAAG)
- **2:00pm** Ranger Walk - Trees: 1.5 hrs. The Ahwahnee, shuttle stop #3. (NPS)
- **7:00pm** Yosemite Theater: Return to Balance: A Climber's Journey 7:00pm 1 hr. Check local listings for topics & venue. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls. (DNC)

**Tuesday**

- **10:00am** Art Workshop: October 15 & 22 only - 4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center. For more information see page 6. (YC)
- **11:00am** Ask A Climber (October 18 only - 4 hrs. Join a ranger at the El Capitan Bridge for this informal program. Use telescopes to observe climbers on El Capitan and learn about climbing in Yosemite. (NPS)
- **2:00pm** Ranger Walk - Inspirating _Generations_ 1.5 hrs. Front of Yosemite Valley Visitor Center, near shuttle stop #5/9. (NPS)
- **7:00pm** Yosemite Theater: Conversation with a Tramp: An Evening with John Muir (October 8 and 15 only) 1.5 hrs. Live performance with stories of wilderness and local history at the Ahwahnee. Purchase tickets at Valley Visitor Center Bookstore. (YC)

**Wednesday**

- **10:00am** Art Workshop: October 18 & 25 only - 4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center. For more information see page 6. (YC)
- **11:00am** Ask A Climber (October 22 only - 4 hrs. Join a ranger at the El Capitan Bridge for this informal program. Use telescopes to observe climbers on El Capitan and learn about climbing in Yosemite. (NPS)
- **1:00pm** FAMILY CRAFTS 11:00am - 12:30pm 2 hrs. Drop-in craft program at Yosemite Art Center. (YC)
- **2:00pm** Ranger Program 1 hr. Check local listings for topics & venue. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls. (NPS)
- **6:30PM** FINE PRINT VIEWING 4 hrs. Conditions permitting. Explore Yosemite at night. Tickets and information available at any tour & activity desk. (DNC)

**Thursday**

- **10:00am** Ask A Climber (October 15 & 22 only - 4 hrs. Join a ranger at the El Capitan Bridge for this informal program. Use telescopes to observe climbers on El Capitan and learn about climbing in Yosemite. (NPS)
- **1:00pm** FAMILY CRAFTS 11:00am - 12:30pm 2 hrs. Drop-in craft program at Yosemite Art Center. (YC)
- **2:00pm** Ranger Walk - Wild About Wildlife 1.5 hrs. Front of Yosemite Valley Visitor Center, near shuttle stop #5/9. (NPS)
- **7:00pm** Yosemite Theater: Return to Balance: A Climber's Journey (October 17, 18 & 25 only) 1.5 hrs. Film and presentation by Ron Kauk. Purchase tickets at Valley Visitor Center Bookstore. (YC)

**Friday**

- **10:00am** Art Workshop: October 17, 18 & 25 only - 4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center. For more information see page 6. (YC)
- **11:00am** Ask A Climber (October 17 - 25 only - 4 hrs. Join a ranger at the El Capitan Bridge for this informal program. Use telescopes to observe climbers on El Capitan and learn about climbing in Yosemite. (NPS)
- **1:00pm** FAMILY CRAFTS 11:00am - 12:30pm 2 hrs. Drop-in craft program at Yosemite Art Center. (YC)
- **2:00pm** Ranger Walk - Ahwahnees Stories and Games 1.5 hrs. Front of Yosemite Valley Visitor Center, near shuttle stop #5/9. (NPS)
- **7:00pm** Yosemite Theater: Return to Balance: A Climber's Journey (October 17, 18 & 25 only) 1.5 hrs. Film and presentation by Ron Kauk. Purchase tickets at Valley Visitor Center Bookstore. (YC)

**Saturday**

- **10:00am** JUNIOR RANGER TRAIL 15 mins. Front of Yosemite Valley Visitor Center, near shuttle stop #5/9. (NPS)
- **11:00am** JUNIOR RANGER PROGRAM (October 25 only) 1 hr. This program will be presented in American Sign Language only. Curry Village Amphitheater. (NPS)
- **10:00am** Art Workshop: October 11, 18 & 25 only - 4 hrs. Yosemite Art Center. For more information see page 6. (YC)
- **11:00am** Ask A Climber (October 11 - 13 only - 4 hrs. Join a ranger at the El Capitan Bridge for this informal program. Use telescopes to observe climbers on El Capitan and learn about climbing in Yosemite. (NPS)
- **1:00pm** FAMILY CRAFTS 11:00am - 12:30pm 2 hrs. Drop-in craft program at Yosemite Art Center. (YC)
- **2:00pm** Ranger Walk - In the Footsteps of Ansel Adams Photography Class 4 hrs. Sign up and meet at the Ansel Adams Gallery. (TAAG)
- **3:00pm** WILD WILDLIFE (Except October 8th & 15th) 5 hrs. Stories and activities for kids 6 & under. The Ahwahnee Great Lodge. (DNC)
- **7:00pm** FINE PRINT VIEWING (Except October 25th) 1 hr. Check local listings for topics & venue. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls. (DNC)

**Access for People with Disabilities**

Accessible parking, lodging, tours, and activities are available throughout the park.

For a complete list of accessible services, recreational opportunities, and exhibits, pick up an updated Yosemite Accessibility Guide, which is available at park entrance stations, visitor centers, and online at www.nps.gov/yose/planyourvisit/accessibility.htm, or call a park Accessibility Coordinator at 209/379-1035 for more information.

Accessible parking spaces are available just west of the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center. To reach these, enter the Valley on Southside Drive. Turn left on Sentinel Drive. Turn left on Northside Drive, and follow the blue and white signs.

Sign Language interpreting is available upon request. Contact Deaf Services at 209/379-5250 (v/h). Two weeks advance notice is requested. Accessible Listening Theses are available upon advance request, inquire at a visitor center.

Audio tours are available for the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center and the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias. Refer to the Accessibility Guide, or contact an Accessibility Coordinator for more information.

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**NPS** National Park Service
**DNC** DNCY Parks & Resorts at Yosemite, Inc.
**TAAG** The Ansel Adams Gallery
**YC** Yosemite Conservancy

*Programs offered for a fee*
Valley Visitor Center and Bookstore
The Yosemite Valley Visitor Center and bookstore are open from 9am to 5pm. They are located west of the main post office, near shuttle stops #3 and #9. The facility offers information, maps, and books. Explore the exhibits and learn how Yosemite’s landscape formed and how people interact with it.

YOSEMITE FILMS
Two films are shown daily, every half hour beginning at 9:30am (except on Sundays, when the first showing is at noon). The last film is at 4:30pm. “Ken Burns’ Yosemite - A Gathering of Spirit” plays on the hour and “The Spirit of Yosemite” plays on the half hour, in the Valley Visitor Center Theater.

Wilderness Permits
Visit the wilderness center between 8am and 5pm, to learn about wilderness safety, plan trips, obtain wilderness permits and maps, and rent bear canisters. The Valley Wilderness Center is located in Yosemite Village, between the post office and the Ansel Adams Gallery. The center will close for the season on October 19. Permits and bear canisters will then be available at the Valley Visitor Center daily from 9am to 5pm.

Yosemite Museum
Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. The museum is open daily from 9am to 5pm (may close for lunch).

INDIAN CULTURAL EXHIBIT
Interprets the cultural history of Yosemite’s Miwok and Paiute people from 1850 to the present. The Indian Cultural Museum is located in Yosemite Village next to the post office and the Ansel Adams Gallery. The museum is open daily from 9am to 5pm.

YOSEMITE MUSEUM STORE
The store offers books and traditional American Indian arts, crafts and jewelry. Open daily from 9am to 5pm (may close for lunch).

Yosemite Museum Store Exhibit: Rooms with a View: Three Decades of Yosemite Artists-in-Residence Exhibition
October 31, 2014 - January 19, 2015
This exhibit includes 50 paintings, photographs, sculptures and kinetic art pieces by artists from throughout the country. The works were all produced by artists who were selected for the Yosemite Artists-in-Residence Program (initially sponsored by the National Park Service and later by Yosemite Renaissance). The Program provided up to a month of lodging in or near Yosemite for artists to work. An opening reception for exhibiting artists will be held at the Gallery on Monday, November 3 from 5pm to 6:30pm. The public is cordially invited to attend this reception.

Yosemite Renaissance XXX Call For Entries
In its 30th year, Yosemite Renaissance is an all-media, juried, fine art competition and exhibition on the theme of Yosemite and the environment of the Sierra Nevada. It is open to all living artists. $4,000 in awards. Entry is by digital files, $15 per entry (maximum of 8 entries per artist). The exhibit begins at the Yosemite Museum Gallery, February 28, 2015. For a prospectus and entry form visit: http://www.yosemiterennaissance.org. Deadline for entries: November 15, 2014. Yosemite Renaissance is a non-profit organization which encourages diverse interpretations of Yosemite in the visual arts.

The Ansel Adams Gallery
The gallery is located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center and is open daily from 9am to 5pm. The gallery offers the work of Ansel Adams, contemporary photographers, and other artists. See page 7 for photo walk and other event times. For gallery hours from October 27-31 and for more information, call 209/372-4415, or visit www.anseladams.com.

EXHIBIT
The Vertical Generation - Views from Yosemite’s Edge
September 14, 2014 - October 22, 2014
Photography first arrived in Yosemite during the middle part of the 19th century as a tool for documenting the unknown. It was capable of recording that which others had no ability to visit and see. It evolved into a vehicle for politics, then novelty and spectacle and eventually fine art. By the 1930’s, much of the domestic, negotiable park terrain had seen a camera, but stagnation was nowhere on the proverbial horizon. Concurrently, photography’s place within the Yosemite story forever changed in 1934, when Jules Eichorn, Bestor Robinson and Richard Leonard made the first major technical ascent of a Yosemite rock feature, bringing along a camera to document a new frontier. Their images once again showed a landscape that was unimaginable to most, but inspired many. As part of The Ansel Adams Gallery’s continuing celebration of the 150th anniversary of The Yosemite Grant, we are thrilled to present “The Vertical Generation,” a collection of photographs and other works on paper which showcase a wholly unique perspective on an icon.

Gateway Expressions
October 21 - 25, 2014
Gateway Expressions Student Art and Poetry Contest is open to all students, grades K-12, attending a school or youth program associated with the gateway community school districts of Yosemite National Park. Selected artwork and poetry will be featured in an exhibit at The Ansel Adams Gallery, and students will be acknowledged at an awards ceremony on Saturday, October 25, 2014.

Yosemite Theater (YC)
Yosemite Theater offers entertainment and inspiration through a variety of live theater performances. Revel as performers bring the park’s adventures to life! Tickets: $8 adults, $4 children.
Wawona & Mariposa Grove

Wawona Grove Visitor Center at Hill’s Studio/Wilderness Permits

The visitor center is open daily from 8:30am to 5pm and offers information about park activities, wilderness permits, trail information, books, bear canister rentals, and maps. Located on the grounds of the Wawona Hotel, Hill’s Studio was the art gallery and studio of famous 19th-century landscape painter, Thomas Hill. While at the hotel or park at the Wawona store parking area and follow the path up the hill. From October 14 through October 31, the bookstore only will be open daily from 8:30am to 5pm. Wilderness permits will be available by self-registration on the porch and bear canisters will be available for rent at the Wawona Store. After October 31, the bookstore only will be open Friday-Sunday from 9am to 4pm (may close for lunch).

Village Store and Pioneer Gift Shop

Hours listed are core hours for facilities weather permitting. Open daily from 9am to 4pm. (May close for lunch.)

Mariposa Grove

Mariposa Grove Visitor Center

Located near Yosemite’s South Entrance, the Mariposa Grove is the park’s largest stand of giant sequoias, with about 900 trees. A few of these giants are visible in the parking area. Information about access for disabled people is available at the tram boarding area. The road to the Grove typically closes in November or December. Visitors can walk, ski, or snowshoe when the road is closed to vehicles.

GETTING TO MARIPOSA GROVE

Allow 1½ hours driving time to reach the grove from the Valley. Cars are prohibited beyond the grove parking lot. The access road to the grove may close intermittently due to limited parking.

Trails are prohibited on the Mariposa Grove Road. Private vehicles longer than 25 feet are not permitted.

Mariposa Grove & Wawona Shuttle

 Stops for the free shuttle bus are at the Wawona Store, South Entrance, and Mariposa Grove. The Wawona Store will provide the bus. Shuttles operate daily from 9am to 4pm through October 26, then weekends only until November 16, weather permitting.

BIG TREES TRAM TOUR

A 1½ hours tour of the grove is available if weather permits through October 26. The tour is available in five languages and is free. (Please contact the Big Trees Ticket Kiosk at the Big Trees Visitor Center for more information.)

Walking Through the Grove

Trails into the grove extend uphill from the trailhead at the far end of the parking area. Interpretive signs between the trailhead and the California Tree provide a self-guiding tour. Written translations are available at the trailhead in Spanish, German, French, and Japanese. When the ground is snow-covered, access is limited to foot, snowshoe, or ski.

Dogs and bikes are not permitted anywhere in the Mariposa Grove.

Big Oak Flat

Big Oak Flat Information Station

The visitor center is open from 8am to 5pm and offers information about park activities, wilderness permits, trail information, books, bear canister rentals and maps. The center is located just inside the park entrance on Highway 120W. From October 16 through October 31, the bookstore will only be open daily from 9am to 5pm (may close for lunch). It will close for the season on November 1.

Wilderness permits will be available by self-registration on the porch and bear canisters will be available for rent inside the bookstore.

Merced Grove

Yosemite’s quietest stand of sequoias is the Merced Grove, a group of approximately 20 big trees accessible only on foot. It’s a three-mile round-trip hike, ski, or snowshoe into the grove. The trail drops down 1.5 miles, making this a moderately strenuous hike on the uphill portion. There is no potable water in the area so be sure to bring drinking water with you. The grove is located 3½ miles north of Crane Flat and 4½ miles south of the Big Oak Flat Entrance along the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). The trail is marked by a sign and a post labeled B-10.

Tuolumne Grove

The trailhead for this grove of approximately 25 sequoias is near the intersection of the Big Oak Flat and Tioga roads at Crane Flat. The moderately strenuous trail leads downhill from the “parking area into the grove and drops 500 feet (150 meters) in one mile. Within the Tuolumne Grove there is an easy, half-mile, self-guided nature trail. There is no potable water in the area so be sure to bring drinking water with you.

Through December 31, 2014, the parking lot will be closed while improvements are made to the trailhead and parking area. The Tuolumne Grove of Giant Sequoias will remain open, with limited parking available just east of the Tuolumne Grove parking lot.

Tuolumne Meadows

Visit the wilderness center between 8am and 5pm to learn about wilderness safety, plan trips, obtain wilderness permits and maps, and rent bear canisters. The Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center is located just south of Tioga Road, along the road to Tuolumne Meadows Lodge, across from the shuttle stop #3. The center will close for the season on October 15 and wilderness permits will be available by self-registration at the Tuolumne Meadows Ranger Station. Please come prepared with bear canisters.
Keep yourself safe while exploring your park.

There are many ways to experience the wildness of Yosemite. While the forces of nature can create unexpected hazardous conditions, with a little common sense and some pre-planning, you can minimize the risks associated with many activities.

Around Ice and Water
- Stay off of frozen lakes, rivers and streams and away from swift waters. Keep children from wandering near these natural hazards.
- Never swim or wade upstream from a waterfall, even if the water appears shallow and calm. Each year, unsuspecting visitors are swept over waterfalls to their deaths when swimming in these areas.
- Mountain water is very cold, no matter what time of year it is. Yosemite’s rivers are fed by melted snow, and even expert swimmers can quickly lose their strength in the icy water.
- Swimming is not permitted in the Hetch Hetchy reservoir or in Emerald Pool above Vernal Fall.

Avoid Hypothermia
Sierra winters are comparatively mild, but temperatures can drop into dangerous territory with little warning. Winter sports require a high degree of preparation and training.
- Be prepared to set up emergency shelter even when out just for the day.
- Know how to use your gear and carry basic repair materials.
- Avoid the combination of wetness, wind, and cold.
- Know symptoms of hypothermia.
- Carry emergency fire-starting materials.
- Avoid dehydration; carry and drink plenty of water at least three liters of water per person, and bring high-energy food.

Water Quality
To protect yourself from disease, treat any surface water before drinking. Treatment methods include boiling for five minutes, use of a Giardia-rated water filter, or sodine-based purifier. To prevent the spread of Giardia and other water-borne disease organisms, use restroom facilities where available, and always wash hands afterwards with soap and water. In natural areas where facilities are not available, wash, camp, and bury human waste at least 100 feet away from any water source or trail, burying human waste six inches deep and pack out any toilet paper.

Traffic Safety
Roads leading to the park are two-lane, arrow, and winding. When traveling on park roads you can protect yourself, other visitors, and park wildlife by obeying posted speed limits. Yosemite’s roads are used by both visitors and park wildlife. Use turnouts to pull completely out of the road, to take photos, consult the park map, or simply enjoy the park’s scenery and wildlife.

Hiking, Backpacking, Backcountry Snow Travel, and Rock Climbing
It is starting to get dark early, which means temperatures will drop fast. Prepare yourself with a headlamp and extra layers, even on day hikes. Also, trails may be closed after the first winter storm, due to either ice or rockfall hazards. For your safety, please respect these closures and do not bypass them. Here are a few more reminders before you hit the trails:
- Tell someone your plan and when you hope to return.
- Be prepared for icy travel before conditions arise. Bring crampons, ice axe, climbing skins, and other traction devices.
- Carry a map and compass and know where you are at all times, with a planned route.
- Altitude sickness can develop at altitudes as low as 8,000 feet. Descend to a lower elevation should it develop.
- Know the weather and prepare for changes. Snow can occur with little warning, and can make route finding very difficult.
- Avoid dehydration; carry and drink plenty of water and bring high-energy food.
- Be prepared to set up emergency shelter even when out just for the day.
- Bring a flashlight in case you need to stay on the trail longer than expected.
- Admire wildlife from a distance to prevent injury to you or animals.

Stay on Trail
- Many accidents occur because visitors leave a trail or pathway. Off trail travel can be extremely dangerous, especially next to waterways where rocks have been polished.
- Scrambling on boulders, wading across streams or rivers, and traveling beyond railings or other barriers may put you one slip away from a fatal accident.
- Avoid shortcuts. Visitors commonly get “sledged out” after cutting across trails.

Wilderness Permit Details
Wilderness permits are free and are required for all overnight trips into the Yosemite Wilderness. Permits are issued and bear canisters are available for rent at the Yosemite Valley Wilderness Center, the Tuolumne Meadows Wilderness Center, the Big Oak Flat Information Center, Hill’s Studio in Wawona, and the Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station during their hours of operation. Please see wilderness permit information on pages 6 and 7 for more details.

For summer trips, reservations are taken from 24 weeks to two days in advance of the start of your trip. A processing fee of $5 per permit plus 8% of person is charged to each confirmed reservation. Sixty percent of the trailhead quota is available in advance. Forty percent of the trailhead quota is available on a first come, first served basis and are available, same-day, at opening and the day before starting at 11am. Check the park’s website at www.nps.gov/yose/planyourvisit/wildpermits.htm or call 209/372-0740, for additional information.

Half Dome Permit Information
Permits to hike to the top of Half Dome are required seven days a week when the cables are up, from May 23 through October 14, 2014, conditions permitting. To apply for permits, visit Recreation.gov or call 877/444-6777. More information about the Half Dome Permit Process is available at http://www.nps.gov/yose/planyourvisit/hdpermits.htm.

Hantavirus Information
Mice are an important part of the ecosystem, but can carry diseases that are harmful to humans. Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome (HPS) is a rare but serious disease spread to humans via the droppings, urine, or saliva of infected rodents. Not all rodents are infected with hantavirus, but infected rodents have been found throughout the US. In California, deer mice are the primary carrier of the virus that causes HPS. You may come into close proximity to rodents during your visit, so it is important you take steps to protect yourself from HPS. HPS risk is greater inside of buildings or other enclosures where deer mice are present.

If staying in guest lodging, please tell the housekeeping staff if you see evidence of mice in your accommodations. Do not clean up the area yourself. Keep doors to guest lodging shut and do not bring food into your cabin that is not in a sealed container. If you are camping and backpacking, do not pitch tents near rodent burrows or dropings.

HPS often begins with flu-like symptoms such as aches, fever, and chills one to seven weeks after exposure, progressing to cough and difficulty in breathing. Seek medical attention immediately if you experience these symptoms, and mention any potential rodent exposures to your physician.

For more information on hantavirus and other environmental safety hazards visit: http://www.nps.gov/yose/planyourvisit/yoursafety.htm

Avoid contact with wildlife and keep food and trash stored properly.

Wild animals in Yosemite can transmit numerous diseases, including plague, rabies, and hantavirus. Keeping your distance and your food from wildlife not only protects them, it also protects you from injury and exposure to diseases.

If you encounter a mammal, particularly a raccoon, skunk, fox, coyote, or bat, that is behaving erratically, don’t touch the animal. Instead, report the sick animal to a park employee.

In addition to keeping bears away, storing your food properly also reduces your exposure to rodents and their fleas, which may carry plague.
Keeping Bears Wild

Keep Yosemite's Black Bears Wild and Alive, while protecting yourself and your property.

Store Your Food Properly. 4,000 to 20,000 calories worth of grasses, berries, acorns, and grubs—that’s the typical daily diet of most bears. It’s a lot easier for a bear to eat the thousands of calories of food in an ice chest than it is to spend all day nibbling at grasses. Their incredible sense of smell allows them to detect things we can’t, which helps them find food—a black bear can smell a dead deer three miles away. To top it off, bears have excellent vision and can see in color, so they recognize ice chests, grocery bags, and other food containers as potential food sources.

If you see a bear, scare it away or keep your distance. You may not see a bear during your visit because they naturally avoid people. However, if you see one in a developed area (like a campground or parking lot), act immediately to scare it away: Make noise and yell as loud as possible. If there is more than one person, stand together to present a more intimidating figure, but do not surround the bear. If you see a bear anywhere else, consider yourself lucky—but keep your distance (at least 50 yards, or about the distance made by four shuttle buses parked end to end). If you get too close, you will be helping the bear become used to being around people. Bears that become comfortable around humans lose their natural fear of us and may become too aggressive. When that happens, they sometimes have to be killed.

Drive the speed limit. The most common human-related cause of death for a black bear in Yosemite is being hit by a car. Slow down! Driving too fast is almost always the cause of these accidental deaths. Please report bear sightings by calling 209/372-0322.

How to Store Food

"Food" includes any item with a scent, regardless of packaging. This may include items that you do not consider food, such as canned goods, bottles, drinks, soap, cosmetics, toiletries, trash, ice chests (even when empty), and unwashed items used for preparing or eating meals.

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<td>Your Vehicle</td>
<td>You may store food in your car (both windows closed) only during daylight hours. Do not store food in your car after dark. Use a food locker. Remember to clear your car of food wrappers, baby wipes, and crumbs in baby seats. Bears can smell food, even if it's sealed in the trunk or glove compartment, and they recognize boxes and bags as potential food sources. They can easily and quickly break into all kinds of vehicles!</td>
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<td>Your Campsite or Tent Cabin</td>
<td>You must store all your food in food lockers—not in your tent or tent cabin. A food locker is available at each campsite and tent cabin. Food may be stored out of sight in hard-sided RV's with windows closed. Bears may enter campsites when people are present, and some will even check food lockers to see if they're secured. Keep food lockers closed and latched at all times, even when you are in your campsite or tent cabin.</td>
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<td>Picnic Areas &amp; on the Trails</td>
<td>Do not leave food unattended. Always keep food within arm's reach. Don't turn your back to your food. Bears may investigate picnic areas or backpacks for food even when people are present, so be alert.</td>
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<td>Backpacking in the Wilderness</td>
<td>Bear resistant food containers are required throughout the Yosemite Wilderness. Hanging food is prohibited in Yosemite. In Yosemite and the southern Sierra, bear canisters are the only human food.</td>
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Yosemite Valley Day Hikes

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<td>Camp 4 Near Shuttle Stop #7</td>
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<td>Top of Upper Yosemite Fall</td>
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<td>7.2 miles round-trip, 6-8 hours</td>
<td>Very Strenuous, 2,700-foot gain</td>
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<td>Mirror Lake (in season)</td>
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<td>Vernal Fall Footbridge</td>
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<td>1.4 miles round-trip, 1-2 hours</td>
<td>Moderate, 400-foot gain</td>
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<td>3 miles round-trip, 2-4 hours</td>
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<td>Top of Nevada Fall</td>
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<td>Four Mile Trail to Glacier Point (Closed in winter)</td>
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Yosemite Guardians

Visitors to Yosemite National Park are the park’s most important guardians. With nearly 4 million people watching over its special plants, animals, historic, and archeological sites, imagine how well-protected these park resources could be! During your visit to Yosemite be aware that there are people who either unknowingly or intentionally harm park resources. Please contact a park official if you see any of the following illegal acts:

- Feeding or approaching wildlife
- Collecting plants
- Hunting animals
- Collecting reptiles and butterflies
- Picking up archeological items, such as arrowheads
- Using metal detectors
- Driving vehicles into meadows
- Biking off of paved roads
- Camping outside of designated campgrounds
- Possession of weapons inside federal facilities

If you see activities that could harm people or park resources, jot down any descriptions or a vehicle license plate number and call the park dispatch office at 209/379-1992.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
To find out more about Yosemite National Park regulations visit www.nps.gov/yose/planyourvisit/ yoursafety.htm and find a copy of the Superintendent’s Compendium. This document is a compilation of designations, closures, permit requirements, and other restrictions made by the superintendent, in addition to what is contained in Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations (Chapter 1, Parts 1 through 7 and 34), and other applicable federal statutes and regulations.
Mak two fists. Stick out both thumbs, then both pinksies. You’ve just made the shape of the letter “Y” in American Sign Language. Use your two “Y” hands to draw the shape of Yosemite Valley, from above your head where the towering cliffs begin, down their majestic walls in a sweeping arc, to the flat valley floor in front of you. You just signed “Yosemite.”

This year Yosemite Deaf Services celebrates its 35th Anniversary with a weekend full of sign language. Deaf and hearing visitors alike are invited to join us at Yosemite Lodge’s amphitheater at 7pm on October 25 to honor the people who have kept it going for 35 years. We will share stories and memories of Yosemite, all presented in American Sign Language (ASL) with voice interpreting in English.

DID YOU KNOW:
- The National Park Service is committed to accessibility for all visitors. Services available for Deaf visitors include sign language interpreting, assisted listening devices, a public videophone at Yosemite Lodge, and free Access Passes to National Parks.
- Sign language interpreting is available for activities listed in the Yosemite Guide with advance notice.
- You may request use of assisted listening devices at the Visitor Centers in Yosemite Valley, Wawona, and Tuolumne Meadows.

The weekend will also include an ASL Junior Ranger Program Saturday morning, and an ASL Nature Walk on Sunday morning. Both programs will be presented in American Sign Language only. Check the schedule of events for details and locations. Volunteer interpreters will also be on hand to interpret other programming; stop by the Valley Visitor Center to make a request.

A long list of employees, visitors, and volunteers have contributed to Deaf Services over the years and ensured a legacy of improved access for the hundreds of Deaf visitors who come to Yosemite every year. Five individuals in particular deserve credit for the inception of Yosemite Deaf Services.

Maureen Fitzgerald, a sign language interpreter, and Dale Dahl, a Deaf man and wheelchair-user, visited Yosemite one summer in the 1970s. They met Len McKenzie, a Ranger Naturalist whose grandmother was deaf, and Donna Pritchett, a wheelchair-user, visited Yosemite every year. Maureen Fitzgerald, a sign language interpreter, and Dale Dahl, a Deaf man and wheelchair-user, visited Yosemite one summer in the 1970s. They met Len McKenzie, a Ranger Naturalist whose grandmother was deaf, and Donna Pritchett, a wheelchair-user, visited Yosemite every year.

Since then, Yosemite has hired a sign language interpreter to work in Yosemite Valley every summer. Interpreting is available during the off-season too, but requires advance notice. The program serves over a hundred visitors each year. A public videophone has been installed at Yosemite Lodge, and a videophone number for general info has been established. Visitor Centers have a growing library of videos in ASL.

You can learn more about Yosemite Deaf Services by attending the 35th Anniversary Ceremony on Saturday, October 25, or by emailing the current Deaf Services Coordinator at yose_deaf_services@nps.gov.
Supporting Your Park
Providing for Yosemite’s Future

Enhance the Visitor Experience

It takes a legion of people working together to protect this special park for you and future generations of visitors. You too can extend your connection to Yosemite well after you return home by getting involved with the organizations that partner to preserve Yosemite.

This publication was made possible by the Yosemite Park Partners listed on this page. Read more below or visit www.yosemitepartners.org to learn more about helping these organizations provide for the future of Yosemite National Park.

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The Ansel Adams Gallery, owned by the family of photographer Ansel Adams since 1902, is a center that celebrates the arts and the natural grandeur of our environment. It cultivates an aesthetic appreciation and concern for our world by offering visitors a unique variety of literature and art, as well as programs that inspire creativity. Visit online at: www.anseladams.com.

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DNC Parks & Resorts at Yosemite (DNC) operates hotels, restaurants, sightseeing tours, recreational activities, interpretive programs, stores, shuttle and service stations in the park under contract with the U.S. Department of the Interior. DNC encourages its employees to develop a strong relationship with the park during their tenure.
For more information and employment opportunities with DNC at Yosemite, visit online at www.YosemitePark.com

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NatureBridge provides residential field science programs for youth in the world’s most spectacular classroom - Yosemite National Park. Through active student engagement, our faculty teaches science, history, and the arts and gives these subjects context through personal experience. A NatureBridge learning adventure strives to foster a life-long connection to the natural world and responsible actions to sustain it. Find out more about our year-round programs for schools and summer programs for individual teens at www.naturebridge.org/yosemite

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Through the support of donors, Yosemite Conservancy provides grants and support to Yosemite National Park to help preserve and protect Yosemite today and for future generations. The work funded by Yosemite Conservancy is visible throughout the park, from trail rehabilitation to wildlife protection and habitat restoration. The Conservancy is dedicated to enhancing the visitor experience and providing a deeper connection to the park through outdoor programs, volunteering and wilderness services. Thanks to dedicated supporters, the Conservancy has provided more than $81 million in grants to Yosemite National Park. Donate now or learn more at www.yosemiteconservancy.org or call 800/469-7275.

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Over 10,100 volunteers donated more than 170,000 hours of service to Yosemite last year, restoring native habitat, working in visitor centers, serving as camp hosts, studying wildlife, cleaning up litter and more. Would you like to serve? We have group and individual volunteer opportunities, both short term and long term. Learn more at www.nps.gov/yose/supportyourpark/volunteer.htm or call the volunteer office at 209/379-1850.

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Lower right: Raven, Karen Kroner Amstutz Top right: Half Dome, Christine White Loberg