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Halloween Family Night

October 27, 2007 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Nature Center at Happy Isles

Join park interpretive staff at the Happy Isles Nature Center for an evening of “sugar-nature” fun for the whole family! Stations will be set up investigating some of Yosemite’s nightilies such as spiders, snails, bat and more. You can also go out on a night walk and enjoy a story finale to the evening with goodie and hot drinks for attendees. The Nature Center is a short walk from shuttle stop #11. Shuttle service will continue until Happy Isles until 9:00 p.m. for the event. 

Halloween History Stroll

October 31, 2007 7:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. Valley Visitor Center

Join a naturalist at the front of the Visitor Center with your flashlight. Take a shuttle to stop #15 or #19 parking and is available. It is a short walk to the Yosemite Cemetery where you will paint together the story of some of the residents there. Not a scary event.

Valley Visitor Center and Bookstore

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and located in Yosemite Village just west of the main post office. Shuttle stops #4 and #11. The center offers information, maps, and books. Explore the new exhibit hall and learn how Yosemite’s spectacular landscape was formed, how people have interacted with it through the centuries, how wildlife adapts and survives, and how your national park continues to evolve.

Films

Spirit of Yosemite

The inspiring visual-audio film presents a stunning overview of Yosemite’s unique landscape. It is shown every 30 minutes Monday through Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Valley Visitor Center Theater.

Indian Cultural Exhibit

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. the museum may close for lunch from noon to 1:00 p.m. The exhibit interprets the cultural history of Yosemite’s native Miwok and Paiute people from 1850 to the present. Demonstrations of traditional skills are presented. No food or drink permitted.

Yosemite Museum Store

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., the store offers traditional American Indian arts and crafts, and books on related subjects.

The Indian Village of Ahwahnee

Located behind the Yosemite Museum and open during daylight hours, the village offers exhibits on Ahwahneechee life.

Yosemite Cemetery

The Indian Village is located across the street just west of the Yosemite Museum. People buried here include American Indian and others who played an important role in the development of what is now Yosemite National Park. Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery is available at the Valley Visitor Center.

Valley Wilderness Center

Open through October 28

Open 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and located in Yosemite Village next to the Ahwahnee Gardens, the center offers Wilderness Permits, bear canisters, maps, and guided trips. Information on pre-trip planning, minimum-impact camping, and Yosemite’s Wilderness is also available.

The Ansel Adams Gallery

Located near the Yosemite Village, the center offers exhibits on the life and work of Ansel Adams, contemporary photographers, and other fine artists. In addition, hardcovers, books, gifts, digital services, and photography supplies are available. Selected plays and lectures are offered on the front porch. For more information, call 209/372-4413 or visit www.anseladams.com.

GALLERY EXHIBIT

Exhibit by Color: Photographs by Keith Willist

November 6

Yosemite Valley

SUNDAY

MONDAY

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Yosemite and Valley

Programs printed in color are especially for children and their families.

NPS = National Park Service

DNC = Delaware North Companies at Yosemite

AAG = The Ahn-adams Gallery

YA = Yosemite Association

$ = Programs offered for a fee

Indicates facilities accessible for visitors in wheelchairs. Short steep inclines may be encountered.

Coffee with a Ranger

(except November 4)

5:00 p.m. Bring a map, Lower Pines Campground Amphitheater (NPS) A

Photo Walk

(except November 5)

1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at The Ahwahnee front desk (NPS)

Art Class

4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center

10:00am

Yosemite Forum – Raising the Sierra: New Insights into an Old Problem (October 9 only)

1 hr. Yosemite Art and Education Center (NPS)

Evening Program

1 hr. Check local postings for venue and topic (NPS/NSP)

5:30pm

Vintage Music of Yosemite

4 hrs. Live music with pianist/actor Tom Bopp. Wyoming Hotel lounge (DNC)

7:15pm

Sunset Walk in the Mariposa Grove

2:00pm

Autumn Twilight Stroll

1 hr. The Ahwahnee patio (DNC)

Ranger Stroll – Trees

1 hr. Valley Visitor Center Auditorium (NPS)

Ranger Stroll – Cliffs and Domes

4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center

Ranger Stroll – The Ahwahnee

1½ hrs. Sign up/meet at The Ahwahnee (DNC)

Coffee with a Ranger

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9:00am

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(except November 4)

45 min. Station activities for kids 6 and under, The Ahwahnee Great Lounge (NPS)

2:00pm

Ranger Stroll – Merced Meanders

1½ hrs. Shuttle stop #11 (NPS)

Evening Program

1 hr. Check local postings for venue and topic (NPS/NSP)

11:00am

DISCOVERY STROLL WITH A RANGER

October 14 only

1 hr. Meet at entrance to Wawona Campground (NPS)

11:00am

Horse-Drawn Stage Rides

October 2 only

10 min. Purchase tickets from Stage Driver in the Yosemite Pioneer History Center (NPS) B

2:00pm

Nature Walk in the Mariposa Grove

October 14 only

1½ hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS)

3:00pm

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TRILLIUM GROVE TREK

October 15 only

1½ hrs. Lower Grove trailhead (NPS)

9:00am

Ranger Stroll – Find a Secret Meadow

October 2 only

1½ hrs. Meet at McGee Meadow trailhead, approximately 7 miles east along the Glacier Point Road (NPS)

9:00am

Ranger Stroll – Cliffs and Domes

October 3, 4, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25, 26

4 hrs. Live music with pianist Tom Bopp. Wyoming Hotel lounge (DNC)

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4 hrs. Yosemite Art and Education Center

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### Yosemite Outdoor Adventures

#### Yosemite National Park

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**Night Sky Information**

One of the great adventures of visiting Yosemite is seeing the park's very dark night sky. Celestial features not visible in many urban areas can be seen. There are no good views of bright planets this month, but plenty of bright stars are visible. High in the west after dark, Vega is still the brightest star, as well as Alnilam to the left of Vega.

**October 4** High in the east before dawn, the waning crescent Moon shines above bright Venus. Venus is the only one of the five bright planets to be visible in the morning sky, due to its proximity to the Sun. The rising crescent Moon will be visible in the northwest sky at twilight.}

**October 5** Jupiter shines well to the right of the Moon in the southwest at nightfall. The Moon is at its first Quarter phase, and the bright planet is easily visible.

**October 6** Pale yellow Saturn glows the same distance to the lower left of Regulus. The waning crescent Moon is in the west after sunset. The Moon is at its first Quarter phase.

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