

San Juan Island

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1997 Summer Program Schedule

Weekly Programs

Pig War Story Guided Walk —

Park Ranger Mike Vouri describes events leading up to and including the Pig War and the peaceful joint occupation of San Juan Island by British and American troops. — *Walks are scheduled at American Camp Saturdays, 11:30 a.m., June 7 through August 23; at English Camp Saturdays May 31, June 28, July 12 and August 30, 11:30 a.m.*

Reenactments: Life at American and English camps

— Parkstaff and volunteers recreate military and civilian life on San Juan Island during the joint occupation. — **English Camp:** *Saturdays, May 31, June 28, July 12 and August 30, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.* **American Camp:** *Saturdays, June 14, July 26 and August 9, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.*

Special Programs

Royal Stand-off at Griffin Bay

— How close did the British and Americans come to firing at each other during the height of the Pig War crisis? Was George Pickett bluffing? Find out in this slide lecture by Park Ranger/Historian Mike Vouri. — *Saturday, June 7, 7:00 p.m., English Camp Barracks Building.*

An Evening with George Pickett

— Park Ranger/Historian Mike Vouri and folk musician Michael Cohen present an evening of drama and song as George Pickett comes back to life to talk about his days on the frontier and Civil War battlefields. — *Fridays, June 13, July 18 and August 22, 8:00 p.m., at the San Juan Community Theatre & Art Center. Tickets: \$6.00, Adults; \$5.00 children.*

Origins of Northwest Coast Indian Plank Houses —

University of Washington archaeologist, Dr. Julie Stein traces the history of plank houses, including one of the earliest houses, the site of which is

located at English Camp. — *Saturday, June 14, 7:00 p.m., Whale Museum.*

Reconnecting With Nature —

Dr. Michael Cohen offers visitors a quick way to reconnect with nature in this guided walk through the American Camp prairies and headlands. — *Saturday, June 21, 10:00 a.m. Meets in the Visitor Center parking lot.*



Reenactors will be on center stage at American and English camps.

Frances Dick, Kwakwaka'wakw Artist —

Renowned Vancouver Island-based Kwakwaka'wakw artist Frances Dick will discuss and show examples of her work in this lecture sponsored by the Arctic Raven Gallery in Friday Harbor. Ms. Dick's work has been included in solo and group exhibitions throughout North America. — *Friday, July 11, 7:00 p.m., Whale Museum.*

Northwest Coast Indian Culture —

Richard Vanderway, education coordinator for Bellingham's Whatcom Museum returns to the park with a stunning array of objects to provide a glimpse of Northwest Coast Indian culture. — *Saturday, July 12, 2:00 p.m., English Camp Barracks Building.*

Reef-netting in the San Juan Islands —

Dr. Wayne Suttles provides a slide overview of the salmon fishing method used extensively by Northwest Coast native peoples from prehistoric times to the recent past.

Dr. Suttles is a retired professor of anthropology who resides on San Juan Island. — *Saturday, July 19, 7:00 p.m., English Camp Barracks Building.*

Northwest Pioneer Folkways Demonstrations —

Bellingham writer/historian Janet Oakley demonstrates pioneer folkways from butter churning to Dutch oven baking and other tasks essential to daily lives of pioneers in the Pacific Northwest. — *Saturday, July 26, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., American Camp.*

Lantern Tour '97 — Park staff and volunteers at American Camp put on historic costumes and present a play based roughly on incidents that may (or may not) have taken place during the joint occupation. — *Saturday, August 9, 7:30 p.m. Meets in the Visitor Center parking lot.*

The Birds of American Camp —

Join former national park ranger and bird expert Barbara Jensen for a colorful 90-minute walk through American Camp's prairies. — *Saturdays, June 28 and August 23, 9:00 a.m. Meets in the Visitor Center parking lot.*

Information

All programs are free and open to the public, except where noted. For program updates and special access information, call San Juan Island National Historical Park at (360) 378-2902 or (360) 378-2240.

