Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks



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	Time	8/6	8/7	8/8	8/9	8/10	8/11	8/12	8/13
Pulse of the Planet	8:40 AM					Χ	Х	Χ	Χ
Jr. Ranger Program	10:00 AM						Χ		
Critter Chat	10:00 AM	Χ	Х	Χ	Х	Χ		X	Χ
Right on Time	12:30 PM					Χ	Х	Χ	Χ
People, Places & the Past	2:00 PM	Χ	X			Х	Х		Х
River Rendezvous	2:00 PM						Х		
Investigation Station	2:30 PM	X	X	X	Х		Х	X	Х
Evenings at Potwisha	7:30 PM					Х	Х		_
Twilight Walk	7:00 PM						X		

### **Talks**

## Critter Chat 🔠

Bears, deer, and other wildlife abound in the Oak Woodlands of the Sequoia Foothills. Get to know some of the creatures that live in the most diverse ecosystem in California. Meet at the flagpole at the Foothills Visitor Center for a 20 minute chat.

#### **Pulse of the Planet**

Seasonally dependent black bear, pika, and California Buckeye survive and thrive when the time is right. Discover why timing is essential in nature. Meet at the Foothills Visitor Center. 45 minutes.

# **Activities**

### Investigation Station &

Have you ever wanted to pet a bear hide, touch a snake skin or feel Sequoia cones? If so, drop by the Foothills Visitor Center to investigate the plants and animals of Sequoia National Park.

### Right On Time 🕓

Without a calendar plants and animals rely on cues from nature to know when to bloom, breed, or hibernate. Stop by the Foothills Visitor Center to see what the timing of flowers blooming, and trees budding can teach us about the changing of the planet. Come to the visitor center any time between 12:30 and 2:30 pm.

# People, Places, & the Past

Discover Hospital Rock! Take a step back in time and learn more about the people who called this area home. Meet near the bear box in the Hospital Rock Picnic Area. 30 minutes.

# River Rendezvous

Ever wonder what creatures make their home in the beautiful Kaweah River? To discover this underwater world, follow the trail located across the street from Potwisha Campground and join the ranger any time between 2 and 4 pm.

### Walks

### **Twilight Walk**

As twilight settles over the park, join a ranger along the Kaweah River to hear how its power and strength shaped the landscape. Meet at the Paradise Creek Trailhead in Buckeye Flat Campground for a 1 hour walk. Park at Hospital Rock and walk ½ mile to the Paradise Creek Trailhead. Bring a flashlight.

# Jr. Ranger Program

Wildlife is all around us, but often all we see of bears, owls, and bobcats is the scat, tracks, and sign they leave behind. Kids of all ages are welcome to join a ranger and learn what bears eat, owls hunt, or what's been sniffing around your campsite at night. Saturday mornings at the Potwisha campfire circle. 1 hour.

### **Evenings at Potwisha**

Meet at the Potwisha campfire circle. 1 hour.

### Friday: The Bear Necessities 🕓

The American Black Bear is one of Sequoia National Park's most conspicuous creatures. If you've ever wondered what the national parks do to protect bears, join Ranger Dani Cessna to learn about bear habits and the role we play in their protection.

## Saturday: Through the Lens 🕓

Every year, park employees compete to see who has captured the most beautiful images of Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Park. Come see beauty of Sequoia and Kings Canyon through the lens of the winners of the 35<sup>th</sup> annual Employee Photo Contest.