

Celebrate with Us!







he National Park Service Centennial is an opportunity for us to reintroduce one of America's best ideas to the world. Our Centennial goal is to create and connect wth the next generation of park visitors, supporters, and advocates.

We invite you to come enjoy Shenandoah National Park, become an active supporter of the Park, and if parks are an important part of your life and community, become an active advocate for parks.

Enjoy the Centennial celebration of the National Park Service!

2016 Events Schedule

Date/Time	Event	Location	
TBA	Centennial Event: Naturalization Ceremony - Shenandoah will host a naturalization ceremony welcoming new citizens to their national park!	TBA	
ТВА	Centennial Event : <i>Sing Across America!</i> Local children's choir will present a concert including a song composed especially for the National Park Centennial.	ТВА	
FEBRUARY			
February 12	Centennial Event: Debut of National Parks Adventure, an IMAX film created in celebration of the Centennial.	Washington, D.C. and Virginia Beach, VA	
MARCH			
March 2	Centennial Event: Shenandoah National Park Rangers participate in Read Across America	Local Schools	
March 5–13	Centennial Event: Philadelphia Flower Show featuring your national parks!	Philadelphia, PA	
March 24	Centennial Event: The U.S. Mint's NPS Centennial Commemorative Coin will be released for sale!	Nationwide	
APRIL			
April 10	Centennial Event: Debut of National Parks Adventure, an IMAX film created in celebration of the Centennial.	Richmond, VA	
April 15	Spring Ranger Programs Begin! This year we're including exciting Centennial programs.	Parkwide	
April 16–24	National Park Week (Fee Free) - A full week of celebrating our national parks!	All National Parks	
April 22 1:30 p.m.	Centennial Event : Live Music–Muscian Ed Willet presents John Muir: University of the Wilderness, a "narrative concert" which intertwines the music of the American ensemble "Cance" and the writings of naturalist John Muir.	TBA (Community Location)	
April 23 1:30 p.m.	Centennial Event : Live Music–Muscian Ed Willet presents John Muir: University of the Wilderness, a "narrative concert" which intertwines the music of the American ensemble "Chance" and the writings of naturalist John Muir.	Byrd Visitor Center, mile 51	
April 23	National Junior Ranger Day - A full day of fun activities to celebrate the NPS 100th Birthday and get kids of all ages connected to their national park!	Parkwide	

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MAY			
May 7-8	Wildflower Weekend - A weekend of special hikes, walks, and talks designed to feature Shenandoah's diverse and beautiful wildflowers.	Parkwide	
May 14	Centennial Event : Book signing and program. Authors Ren and Helen Davis will present a program about their latest book <i>Landscapes for the People</i> . Signed copies available.	Byrd Visitor Center	
May 21	Centennial Event : Kids to Parks Day: We're celebrating with our partners in conservation, The Wildlife Center of Virginia! A full day of wildlife-themed activities featuring Shenandoah's amazing critters!	Byrd Visitor Center	
May 21	Trout Fishing Seminar - Learn the intricacies of trout fishing!	Graves Mountain Lodge Syria, VA	
May 28	Summer Ranger Programs Begin! This year we're including exciting Centennial programs. Stay tuned for more details and updates.	Parkwide	
JUNE			
June 4	National Trails Day - Our partners with the Potomac Appalachian Trail Club have a great day planned to cover all things hiking!	Byrd Visitor Center and area trails	
June 11	Centennial Event : <i>Art in the Park</i> Seminar - What better inspiration than the beauty of Shenandoah. Join artists for a creative workshop in the best studio of all: Big Meadows!	Byrd Visitor Center	
June 17	Centennial Event : Live Music - A concert to honor our National Park Centennial. Flutist Emlyn Johnson has commissioned 10 pieces of music inspired by the parks. A 7-member ensemble will perform.	TBA (Community Location)	
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June 18	Get Your Kids Hiking - Join author Jeff Alt for a workshop designed to get the whole family out and about in the Park.	Byrd Visitor Center	
JULY			
July 9	Centennial Event : Special Seminar: Butterfly Seminar - As the Park comes alive with butterflies in mid-summer, here is the chance to learn from experts the best ways to identify and "capture" butterflies through photography.	Byrd Visitor Center	
July 16	Get Your Kids Hiking - Join author Jeff Alt for a workshop designed to get the whole family out and about in the Park.	Byrd Visitor Center	
July 23	Blackberry Delight - Our concessioner has planned a great day of fun and deliciousness—get your blackberry on!	Skyland	
July 26–September 30	National Park Quilt Tour - The National Parks Quilt Tour is coming to the Virginia Quilt Museum. Our Ranger will be there July 30 to talk about the special plants and animals featured on the Shenandoah quilt.	Virginia Quilt Museum, Harrisonburg. VA	
AUGUST			
August 20	Centennial Event : Rededication of the Hawksbill Viewing Platform - We're hard at work restoring the stone viewing platform on our highest peak. Join us for the rededication	Hawksbill Viewing Platform	
August 25	Centennial Event: Founders Day (Fee Free) - It's our birthday and we want to celebrate with YOU!	All National Parks	
August 25–28	Centennial Event: Fee Free in celebration of the NPS's 100th Birthday	Parkwide	
August 27	Photography Seminar - Join nature photographers Ann and Rob Simpson to learn basic techniques to capture your nature experiences!	Big Meadows Area	
SEPTEMBER			
September 6	Conservation Summit - A day to convene with our conservation partners to talk about our shared vision for the next 100 years.	ТВА	
September 6	Fall Ranger Programs Begin - This year we're including exciting Centennial programs. Stay tuned for more details and updates.	Parkwide	
September 7–10	Shenandoah Bio Blitz - We'll join the North American Mycological Association to have some fun with fungi!	Front Royal and the Park's north district	
September 10–11	Wilderness Weekend - Did you know that 40% of Shenandoah is federally designated Wilderness? We'll explain what that means and how we manage the special resource through hikes and interactive demonstrations.	Parkwide	
September 17	Apple Butter Celebration -Our concessioner is cooking up some wonderful apple butter just like Grandma used to make! There are activities for the whole family, too.	Skyland Resort	
September 24	National Public Lands Day (Fee Free) - Volunteer for a project on this day to celebrate our public lands	All National Parks	
September 24	Civilian Conservation Corps Reunion - Shenandoah has the longest running reunion of the "boys" of the CCC.	Big Meadows	
September 30	Centennial Event : Live Music - Musician Jill Haley, drawing from classical, jazz and folk styles, performs original music about our national parks featuring oboe and English horn.	TBA (Community Location)	
OCTOBER			
October 1	Centennial Event: Live Music -Musician Jill Haley, drawing from classical, jazz and folk styles, performs original music about our national parks featuring oboe and English horn.	Big Meadows Amphitheater	
All October	Centennial Event: Centennial Quilt Tour - Thirteen beautiful mini-quilts have been touring the country and they'll make a stop at Shenandoah! Come see these works of art that honor our parks. And yes! Shenandoah is featured!	Dickey Ridge Visitor Center	
NOVEMBER			
November 11	Veterans Day - Fee Free	All National Parks	
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