

Program Schedule
August 21 – August 23
Roan Mountain State Park



Thursday, August 21

- 11:00 am **Meet a Tree**—Did you know that the southern Appalachians have more trees that all of Europe combined? Join Amanda at Park Headquarters to learn the ins and outs of our most productive park resource, and how you can identify the trees that might be right in your own back yard! Please wear appropriate gear for a short hike. This program is weather dependent.
- 1:00 pm **Hike the Balds**--Come out for a hike of unparalleled views and learn about the rare ecosystems that make Roan Mountain such a unique place, all while hiking along the Appalachian Trail! *This trail is moderate in difficulty and can be steep in sections. Please bring sturdy shoes, water, a jacket, and a light snack.* Meet Amanda at Park Headquarters promptly and we'll caravan up to Carver's Gap. This program is weather dependent.
- 2:00 pm **Salamander Hunt**- Let's flip rocks and find amphibians! Come out and learn about some of Roan Mountain State Parks slimiest inhabitants! Meet Joe at Shelter 2.
- 4:00 pm **Butterfly Chase**--Come out and learn a thing or two, while identifying some of our park's most fragile and beautiful inhabitants. Meet Joe at the Miller Farmstead and get ready to have a good time!
- 9:15 pm **Moths: Nature's Night Fliers**--You've met the butterflies, now prepare for their nighttime cousins! Come out and identify some moths while enjoying a beautiful night at Roan Mountain State Park. Meet Joe at Shelter 3.

Friday, August 22

- 9:00 am **Trail Run** – Get your fitness on! Come out for a fast-paced tour through the woods. Meet Joe at the Blue 2 trailhead for a two mile jog. *Please wear close-toed shoes & athletic apparel. Will be cancelled in the event of rain.*
- 1:00 pm **Thrill of the Hunt**- Kids! Come out for a fun way to explore beautiful Roan Mountain with a nature scavenger hunt! Meet Joe at Campground Check-in.
- 3:00 pm **Summer Wildflowers**—spring may get all the wildflower attention, but summer is alive with beautiful colors this time of year at Roan Mountain State Park. Join Amanda on the porch of the Miller Farmstead, and we'll take a tour of the native wildflowers growing atop Strawberry Mountain. This program is weather dependent.
- 4:00 pm **Snakes Alive!**- Meet and greet some of our park's favorite residents, and learn about our most misunderstood reptiles. Join Joe down at the Campground Check-in.
- 6:00 pm **Mountain Stream Ecology**—join Amanda for an aquatic adventure as we discover the important critters that make up our mountain streams. You'll be surprised to learn what we find! Meet at Campground Check-in. **Be prepared to get wet, we will be getting into the water. Closed-toe shoes are required.**

8:30 pm **Movie Night: Charlotte's Web**—Meet Amanda and Joe at the Picnic Shelter in the Campground Pavilion (Just across from Campground Check-in) for a showing of the classic film *Charlotte's Web*, as we dish up some hot, fresh popcorn for you!

Saturday, August 23

12:00 pm **Basket Weaving @ the Farmstead with Mary Proffitt** – Come up to the Miller Farmstead and learn a thing or two about the art of traditional basket weaving. Program lasts from 12 to 2pm.

7:00 pm **Music @ the Ampitheater: The Jeters**—This family band rocks! Come out for bluegrass renditions of old and new tunes by this talented trio. Meet at the Park Amphitheater, or at the Picnic Shelter 3 in the Campground Pavilion (right across from Campground Check-in) in case of inclement weather.

8:00 pm **To Build a Fire**—need a few hot tips on how to start up your next campfire, or how to build a fire in an emergency situation? Meet Amanda at the Campground Campfire ring.

9:00 pm **Campground Campfire**—Join Amanda at the Campground Fire Ring for jokes, stories, legends, and of course—s'mores!

*****GENERAL ANNOUCEMENTS*****

-Programs are free of charge, but donations to the park are greatly appreciated in order to continue to offer programs at no cost.

-Programs are for all ages unless otherwise noted.

-Programs begin promptly at their scheduled time.

-For all hikes: Please wear sturdy, closed-toe walking shoes and bring drinking water.

-In case of inclement weather, live music/entertainment will be held at Shelter 3.

-See Campground Check-in or Park Headquarters for possible rainy day alternative programs in the event of program cancellation.

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