Program Schedule August 14 – August 16 Roan Mountain State Park



Thursday, August 14

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! *The trail is moderate in difficulty and can be steep in sections.* <u>Please bring sturdy shoes, water, a jacket, and a snack</u>. Meet Amanda at Park Headquarters promptly and

we'll caravan up to Carver's Gap. This program is weather dependent.

9:00 pm **Perseids on the Peak**—Join us atop Roan Mountain for an elevated

viewing of the Perseid meteor shower. Be sure to dress warm, wear close-toed shoes, bring a light, and bring camp chair or blanket for your stargazing comfort. Meet Amanda and JR at Park Headquarters and we'll caravan up to Carver's Gap. This program is weather dependent.

Friday, August 15

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 2 mile jog. Please wear close-

toed shoes & athletic apparel. Will be cancelled in the event of rain.`

11:00 am Salamander Hunt--Do you like amphibians?! Come out and learn about

some of Roan Mountain's coolest species. Join Joe at Picnic Shelter 2.

1:00 pm **Bears**--Yes, they're cute....but certainly not cuddly! Come learn about the

largest mammals of Roan Mountain. Meet Amanda at the Conference

Center.

3:00 pm The Magic of Recycling -- Come meet Joe at Shelter 2 and learn a thing or

two about the benefits of plastic recycling and make your own lava lamp

out of recycled material! Please bring a plastic bottle.

4:00 pm **Ultimate Frisbee--**Show off your skills (or learn some new ones!) in this

fast-paced, non-contact sport...where football meets basketball with a Frisbee! Meet Amanda at the Campground Playing Field, across from

Campground Check-in.

7:00 pm **The Blairs**—This duo out of Nebo, NC brings old-time gospel sounds to

Roan Mountain. Join us at the Amphitheater, or Shelter 3 at the

Campground Pavilion in case of inclement weather.

8:30 pm **Owl Prowl--**Join us for a nighttime hike in search of some of Roan

Mountains' most elusive and intriguing creatures! You might just learn 'who cooks for you'! Meet Amanda at Park Headquarters. Please bring a

flashlight and wear appropriate hiking shoes.

Saturday, August 16

10:00 am Morning Views at Raven Rock- Get your day started right with some fresh air

and exercise, while discussing the beauty of the trail. This trail is short and

strenuous. Come meet Joe at the Park Headquarters.

11:00 am **Mighty Monarchs**-- Did you know these beautiful insects travel thousands of

miles on their delicate wings? Join Amanda at the Miller Farmstead to learn

why Roan Mountain State Park is one of their favorite places to be!

12:00 pm **Dulcimers & More @ the Farmstead with James Garland**—Pack your

lunch and enjoy the old-style sounds of this traditional Appalachian

instrument in the shade of the Farmstead from 12 to 2 PM.

2:00 pm	Corn Husk Dolls Connect with the ways of the past as we learn about the heritage of this old-timey craft, then make your own doll—just like the early settlers and Native Americans of Roan Mountain past. Meet Amanda at the Miller Farmstead.
3:30 pm	Shelter Building- You're stuck in the woods and a storm is on its way, what do you do? Meet Joe at Campground Check-in to find out! We'll try our hands at building a shelter that can brave the elements!
5:00 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	10 Essentials Going hiking? Don't get caught in the woods unprepared. Come learn what items you should carry in your pack when hiking in the Southern Appalachia and how to use them. Meet Amanda at Campground Check-in.
7:00 pm	Marshall Ballew- You will definitely enjoy this eclectic mix of musical styles from this talented artist as he plays both originals and covers from blues, folk, country, rock, alternative, and more at the Park Amphitheater or Shelter 3 (Campground Pavilion) in case of inclement weather.
9:00 pm	Campground Campfire —Join Joe 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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