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Timpanogos Cave National Monument 2010 Summer Program Series Wraps Up

The National Park Service and the Uinta National Forest invite you to join us for our final installment of 2010 summer evening ranger programs. These free programs, presented by National Park Service Rangers, involve a wide variety of topics relating to our local natural resources, wildlife and history. The one-hour programs begin at 7:00 p.m. and are held at the Timpanogos Cave National Monument Visitor Center (unless otherwise noted).

Please be aware that a \$6.00 vehicle entrance fee is required to access American Fork Canyon. For further information call (801) 756-5238.

Every Saturday and holiday at 10:00 a.m. you are also invited to join Ranger Roberta Jacobsmeyer for a Junior Ranger program at the Timpanogos Cave Visitor Center! Programs are free, all ages welcome.

This Week's Programs

Location: Timpanogos Cave National Monument Visitor Center or noted

Time: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Friday, August 27 "Be a Bug Detective"

(Visitor Center) After learning about some of our local insects, use what you learn to discover and study as many bugs as you can find! Who'll find the biggest? The fastest? The creepiest? Ranger Amanda Putman will be awarding 'best bug' prizes tonight!

Saturday, August 28 "Being Bamboozled by the Big Biosphere"

(Visitor Center) A thrilling adventure that will explore every single form of life you will find on this amazing planet! Join Ranger Taylor Day and learn everything there is to know about plants, animals, people and all the other incredible life forms that shape our biosphere.

Junior Ranger: "Birds of Prey" 10:00 a.m., Visitor Center deck

Sunday, August 29 "Take Only Pictures, Leave Only Footprints"

(Visitor Center) American Fork Canyon is a great place to hike as long as you do it safely and responsibly. Learn all about hiking etiquette and safety for beginners from Ranger Josh Allred.

Monday, August 30 "A Walk in the Woods"

(Mutual Dell Amphitheater) The world we live in can be experienced through our five senses, yet to understand the world we must learn to use them all and more. Join Ranger Chris Larson and experience the world for yourself with a walk outdoors.

Friday, September 3 “There’s Gold in Them Thar Hills! Or is there?”

(Visitor Center) Years ago people were drawn to American Fork Canyon to see if they could strike it rich mining precious ore. Come hear the stories of those old-time miners, then try your hand at gold panning with Ranger Sue Bromley.

Saturday, September 4 “There’s Fungus Among Us!”

(Visitor Center) Take an up close look at the bacteria, molds, and fungus found around us with Ranger Bonnie Hooker and her microscope. Discover the amazing characteristics of microorganisms.

Junior Ranger: “Utah’s Reptiles” 10:00 a.m., Visitor Center deck

Sunday, September 5 “Living Legends of American Fork Canyon”

(Visitor Center) American Fork Canyon has enjoyed a colorful history due to the diversity of the people who have lived, worked and played here. Join Ranger Jay Allen for an evening of stories about the men and women who helped shape this area.

Monday, September 6 “Birds of Prey”

(Mutual Dell Amphitheater) Soaring, reeling, surveying the ground from high in the sky. Come learn why these birds are such colorful characters as you spend the evening with guest speaker Ben Woodruff of Sky Masters and his feisty flock. Believe us, the feathers will fly tonight!

Junior Ranger: To be determined 10:00 a.m., Visitor Center deck

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