



Grand Mesa Visitor Center

2016 Summer Interpretive Programs

The Changing Weather - Saturday June 18, 2-3pm

Presented by Mike Gauthier, Weather Technology Specialist: Learn about our fascinating mountain weather and how animals respond to it.

Our Feathered Friends - Saturday June 25th. 2-3pm

Presented by John Andrews: Discover the elusive and common birds of the Grand Mesa, John had studied and documented birds of the Grand Mesa

Tree Cookies and Tree factory (Children's Program) - Saturday, July 2nd. 2-3pm

Presented by Peggy Vaughn, Environmental Education Specialist: Learn about a tree's life by looking at tree cookies

Native People of the Western Slope - Saturday, July 9th. 2-3pm

Presented by Sally Crum, Retired U.S. Forest Service Archeologist: Learn about the life style of the Indians who lived here. See tools and plants they relied on

The Old Tales of the Grand Mesa – Saturday, July 16th. 2-3pm

Presented by Jim Wetzel, Curator of the Delta Museum: Discover Grand Mesa history of the recent past

Every Tree for Itself (Children's Program) - Saturday, July 23rd. 2-3pm

Presented by Peggy Vaughn, Environmental Education Specialist: Discover how trees compete for what they need to grow by playing an interactive game

Grand Mesa Moose Day 2016 – Saturday, July 30th. 9am - 3pm

Presented by Colorado Parks and Wildlife and the U.S. Forest Service: This is a day full of events for the whole family to learn about our local Shiras Moose

Fantastic Fungi – Saturday, August 6th. 2-3pm

Presented by Jim Worrall, U.S. Forest Service Pathologist: Explore the variety of mushrooms native to the Grand Mesa. If conditions are favorable, test your identification skills nearby in the forest

Smokey Bear's 72nd Birthday – Saturday, August 13th. 10am - 3pm

Join the U.S. Forest Service and celebrate Smokey's birthday with cake and photos with Smokey

The Life of a Black Bear - Saturday, August 20th. 2-3pm

Presented by Trina Romero, Colorado Parks and Wildlife: Learn the interesting habits of black bears

West Salt Creek Landslide - Saturday, August 27th. 2-3pm

Presented by Bill Edwards, U.S. Forest Service District Ranger: Learn the reasons for this significant geologic event that occurred on the flank of the Grand Mesa and get and update on recent activity

The Geologic Story of a Flat Top Mountain - Saturday, September 3rd. 2-3pm

Presented by David Noe, Recently retired from the Colorado Geologic Survey: Learn how the Grand Mesa was formed

Batty for Bats – Saturday, September 10th. 2-3pm

Presented by Anne Janik, U.S. Forest Service Public Affairs Specialist: Participate in activities to learn about bats and some of the challenges they are facing

Color Sunday - Sunday, September 25th. 9am - 5pm

Enjoy the changing fall colors on the Grand Mesa Scenic and Historic Byway