

# GULF STATE PARK WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

To keep our guests and staff safe during this pandemic, we are practicing social distancing for all our programs.  
 Space for programs is now limited and will be granted on a first come first serve basis.  
 No entry allowed after the designated start time of the program.

<p><b>Saturday 8/8</b></p> <p>10:00 AM — <b>Astronomy Lesson I:</b> Join Dr. Rick Evans, Director of the W.A. Gayle Planetarium, for an introduction to star gazing, focused on planets and stars. Meet at the <i>Learning Campus</i>.</p> <p>2:00 PM — <b>Astronomy Lesson II:</b> Join Dr. Rick Evans, Director of the W.A. Gayle Planetarium to learn how to identify shapes and patterns in the night sky to discover comets and meteors. Meet at the <i>Learning Campus</i> for this program. (Lesson I is not required to attend Lesson II).</p> <p>8:00 PM — <b>Stargazing:</b> Join Dr. Evans and Bill Rattner at the <i>Interpretive Center</i> for an exploration of the sky. Telescope and some binoculars provided.</p>	<p><b>Tuesday 8/11</b></p> <p>10:00 AM — <b>Beach Creature Feature:</b> Learn about some of the diverse local sea life that live in the Gulf of Mexico. Bring your items that you have found on the beach and we will help you to identify them. Meet at the <i>Education Building</i> for this presentation about shells and other items you can find on our beaches.</p> <p>2:00 PM — <b>Talk About Turtles!</b> Come to the <i>Education Building</i> to learn some of the interesting things about the turtles that you can find around Gulf State Park including the protected Gopher Tortoise.</p>	<p><b>Thursday 8/13</b></p> <p>10:00 AM — <b>Pirates of Perdido Bay:</b> Come to the <i>Education Building</i> to hear exciting tales of the local pirates who traversed the Gulf of Mexico in search of treasure!</p> <p>10:00 AM — <b>BUG-tacular!</b> Learn new and exciting facts about some of the creepy crawlies that live in Gulf State Park. This program is suited for people of all ages and allows you to get up close and personal with some unique insects. Meet at the <i>Learning Campus</i> for this program and weather permitting join our Naturalists to hunt for some of the unusual inhabitants to our park.</p> <p>2:00 PM — <b>Pirates of Perdido Bay:</b> Come to the <i>Education Building</i> to hear exciting tales of the local pirates who traversed the Gulf of Mexico in search of treasure!</p>	
<p><b>Sunday 8/9</b></p> <p>10:00 AM — <b>Camper Devotion:</b> Meet at the <i>Camp Store Pavilion</i>. <u>Bring your own chair.</u> (non-denominational &amp; casual)</p>	<p><b>Wednesday 8/12</b></p> <p>9:00 AM — <b>Deep Dive Plants:</b> Master Naturalist, SuzAnne Pendley, shares an enriching workshop on our local plants in including a guided nature walk. Meet at the <i>Learning Campus</i> for this program.</p> <p>10:00 AM — <b>Dolphins of Alabama:</b> Come to the <i>Education Building</i> to learn about the different species of dolphins found in the Gulf of Mexico and how these intelligent and captivating mammals survive in their marine environment.</p> <p>1:00 PM — <b>Discovering Sea Turtles:</b> Discover the amazing Sea Turtles found in the Gulf of Mexico, some of which nest on the beaches of Gulf State Park! Come to the <i>Learning Campus</i> for this program.</p> <p>2:00 PM — <b>Radical Raptors:</b> Come meet our birds of prey and learn why they are RADICAL RAPTORS!! Meet at the <i>Education Building</i> for this program.</p>	<p><b>Friday 8/14</b></p> <p>10:00 AM — <b>Snake Encounters:</b> Visit the <i>Education Building</i> to learn all about our native snakes. You will learn how to identify the local venomous species and why these creatures are an important part of our environment.</p> <p>2:00 PM — <b>Snake Encounters:</b> Visit the <i>Education Building</i> to learn all about our native snakes. You will learn how to identify the local venomous species and why these creatures are an important part of our environment.</p>	



## MASK ORDINANCE IN EFFECT

A mask must be worn at all times when within six feet of a person from another household in any of the following places: in an indoor space open to the general public, a vehicle operated by a transportation service, or an outdoor public space where ten or more people are gathered. For more information visit <https://governor.alabama.gov/>.  
 In observance of this mask ordinance, the Nature Center and Education Building will not permit entry without a mask.