



Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Upcoming Interpretive Programs

**All park programming is free and open to the public. No registration required.
Programs start at Visitor Center except when noted otherwise.

Everyday @ 1:00 pm Ranger Led Museum Tour

Join a Kennesaw Mountain Park Ranger for an in-depth exploration of our museum chronicling the events surrounding the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain.

December

December 3 @ 11:00 – 12:00 am '24-Gun Battery'

This program will consist of a guided hike 3 mile hike along the 24 – Gun Battery Trail. It will focus on the importance of preservation, protection, and history within the National Parks. This is an outdoor activity, so please dress and plan accordingly. The event will also be cancelled due to inclement weather.

December 2 @ 11:00 – 12:00 “Kennesaw Mountain’s Illinois Monument: Commemorating the Past, Honoring the Present and Inspiring the Future”

The story of Kennesaw Mountain did not end after the battle in 1864, but was continued by the veterans who fought on the battlefield. Park Ranger Amanda Corman will discuss how Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park was established through efforts of Union veterans who fought at Cheatham Hill. ***The program will begin at the Cheatham Hill Drive parking lot.***

December 9 @ 11:00 – 11:30 am ‘The Importance of NPS Battlefields’

This 30 minute Ranger led program discusses the importance of preserving historic battlefields and the preservation efforts taken by the National Park Service.

December 9 @ 8:30 am – 12:30 pm ‘Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Work Day’

Volunteers are needed for each work day to help park staff maintain the 20-plus trails of Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park. Parking and registration is at the overflow parking lot on Old Highway 41. The NPS Volunteer Services Agreement is required. A parent must sign the form if the student is under 18 years old. The form and directions to the registration site are available on the club

December 10 @ 11:00 – 11:30 am ‘Welcome to Kennesaw Mountain’

Come out and enjoy a Ranger led presentation on the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain, the Atlanta Campaign, and how these events shaped our history and the park as it is today. This presentation will utilize various maps and artifacts to illustrate this portion of history. This program is free to attend and open to the public, and will be held at the Visitor Center.

November 11 @ 8:30 am – 12:30 pm ‘Kennesaw Mountain Trail Club Work Day’

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December 16 @ 11:00 am – 3:00 pm ‘Civil War Music Program’

Music during the Civil War served many functions. Not only did it help to organize and rally, but also went a long way to boost morale amongst the soldiers. Come join musician and living historian KD Sellers as she demonstrates this using the fife.

December 16 @ 11:00 am – 12:00 pm “Guided Mountaintop Hike”

Join us for a ranger hike to the top of Big Kennesaw Mountain. The hike will focus on the local and Civil War history, as well some of the ecology of the area. This is an outdoor program, so please prepare accordingly. Length of the hike will be approximately 2 miles, strenuous, and will be weather dependent.

December 17 @ 11:00 am – 11:30 pm “Atlanta Campaign Map Talk”

This 30 minute Ranger led program focuses on the 1864 Atlanta Campaign and how the Union and Confederate forces moved through the north Georgia countryside to the city of Atlanta. This program will also utilize the various interpretive maps and signs of the Visitor Center.

December 30 @ 11:00 am – 11:30 pm “A Civil War Christmas”

While Christmas is usually a time for celebration, it was not always so for the soldier on the campaign trail. Come join our Ranger for a 30 minute interactive program detailing what Christmas could have been like for the common soldier of 1864.

December 31 @ 11:00 – 12:00 “Civil War Earthworks”

Used for centuries as protection on the battlefield, earthworks played a vital part in the American Civil War. Park Ranger Amanda Corman will discuss the use of earthworks during the Civil War and the importance they had during the Atlanta Campaign and the Battle of Kennesaw Mountain.

*** Outdoor programs (Living History programs and hikes) may be cancelled in the occurrence of inclement weather).*

**** For more program details, please contact Visitor Center at 770-427-4686, ext. 0, or visit our website at www.nps.gov/kemo*