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Junior Ranger Day 2024 To Highlight Local Nature And History

Arabia Mountain Heritage Area Alliance and its partners will offer a fair-like day of hands-on learning about nature, culture and history.

STONECREST, GA – The Arabia Mountain Heritage Area Alliance is excited to host Junior Ranger Day 2024 at Panola Mountain State Park's nature center. Junior Ranger Day is the kickoff of National Parks Week across the country, and the Arabia Alliance is glad to be hosting this event right here in Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area just 20 minutes east of Atlanta. It will be a fun-filled, fair-like day to invite young people to be stewards of the world around them and engage in the wonders of nature, culture and history so close to home in the national heritage area.

Children of all ages and their adults are welcome to join as they learn about the National Heritage Area in their backyard through a number of "Junior Ranger Stations," each one operated by a different partner of the Arabia Alliance. Participants will learn about the South River and how to keep it clean with the South River Watershed Alliance, make a craft with the Monastery of the Holy Spirit, explore ecology and geology with the rangers of Panola Mountain and Davidson-Arabia Mountain Parks and learn about the area's wildlife and how to keep it safe with AWARE Wildlife Rescue and so much more! Here is a general schedule of the day.

8:30 - Partner arrival and set up
9:30-10:00 - Participants arrival, check-in, welcome
10:00-11:30 - Station Rotations (5-6 stations)
11:30-12:00 - Pledge Ceremony
12:00 - Partner cleanup and depart

The event lasts from 9:30 am - 12:00 noon on Saturday, April 27, 2024. Tickets are \$5 for kids (free for adults) and can be [purchased here](#). Registration includes a Junior Ranger notepad, certification, and badge. Panola Mountain State Park charges \$5/car for parking without a GA State Park pass.

About the Arabia Alliance

The Arabia Mountain Heritage Area Alliance is dedicated to protecting, connecting and sharing the unique history, rich culture and engaging landscapes of the Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area (AMNHA) for the benefit and enjoyment of all. The staff and volunteer board of the Arabia Alliance work with partners across the AMNHA to ensure that everyone can benefit from the cultural and natural resources of the National Heritage Area. For more information, visit www.arabiaalliance.org.



Arabia Mountain Preserve Manager Robby Astrove and other Davidson-Arabia Mountain Nature Preserve volunteers discuss the ecology and geology of Arabia Mountain.



Panola Mountain State Park Ranger Veronica Healy talks to soon-to-be Junior Rangers about wildlife at Panola Mountain.

Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area
JUNIOR RANGER DAY



Get your hands dirty and discover history, culture, and nature as you earn your Junior Ranger Badge during this action-packed day.

April 27, 2024 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

At Panola Mountain State Park



**\$5/Junior Ranger
 Registration required**

<https://tinyurl.com/ArabiaAlliance>

Parking fee \$5/car or free with State Park Annual Pass



Flyer for this year's Junior Ranger Day, taking place on April 27 from 9:30am to 12pm.