

# Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve

## February 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 <b>delta music jam</b> 5:30pm WACC	3 <b>youth choir performance</b> 5:00pm WACC	4	5	6	7 <b>Eunice history through vintage photographs</b> 10:00am PACC <b>folklife demonstrations</b> 3:00-6:00pm PACC <b>Rendez-vous des Cajuns</b> 6:00pm PACC
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22	23 <b>Country Mardi Gras</b> noon PACC	24 <b>Mardi Gras - all park sites closed except PACC</b>	25	26	27	28 <b>"Back to the Past" history program</b> 1:00pm WACC <b>folklife demonstrations</b> 3:00-6:00pm PACC <b>Rendez-vous des Cajuns</b> 6:00pm PACC <b>night sky program</b> 6:30pm BP

### Every Day

**riverfront history stroll** 9:30am FQ  
**wetlands walk** 10:00am BP  
**discover New Orleans ranger program** 2:00pm FQ  
**historic Thibodaux walking tour** 2:00pm WACC  
**ranger talk** 2:45pm ACC  
**special exhibits** see listings on back



### Site Locator Key

ACC – Acadian Cultural Center, Lafayette  
 BP – Barataria Preserve, Marrero  
 CB – Chalmette Battlefield, Chalmette  
 FQ – French Quarter Visitor Center, New Orleans  
 PACC – Prairie Acadian Cultural Center, Eunice  
 WACC – Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center, Thibodaux

For more information or upcoming months,  
 visit [www.nps.gov/jela/planyourvisit/events.htm](http://www.nps.gov/jela/planyourvisit/events.htm)

## Calendar Listings

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**"Back to the Past" history program** 1:00pm - Meet Harriet Tubman, Bessie Mae Smith, Marcus Garvey, Fredrick Douglass, and others in a special Black History Month program by the REC Youth Choir Drama Team. Free. **Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center**, 314 Saint Mary St., **Thibodaux**, 985-448-1375.

**Country Mardi Gras** noon – Discover the difference between Mardi Gras in the country and the city with Dr. Barry Ancelet, University of Louisiana at Lafayette professor of French and research fellow at the Center for Louisiana Studies. Free. **Prairie Acadian Cultural Center**, 250 West Park Avenue, **Eunice**, 337-457-7700.

**Delta music jam** 5:30pm – Sit in with local musicians or just enjoy some delta music: Cajun, country, gospel, jazz, and zydeco. Free. **Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center**, 314 Saint Mary St., **Thibodaux**, 985-448-1375.

**Eunice history through vintage photographs** 10:00am - Join Professor Alma Reed and explore a century of local history. Free. **Prairie Acadian Cultural Center**, 250 West Park Avenue, **Eunice**, 337-457-7700.

**Folklife demonstrations** 3:00-6:00pm – The Cajun way of cooking, quilting, music, dancing, and more. Free. **Prairie Acadian Cultural Center**, 250 West Park Avenue, **Eunice**, 337-457-7700.

**Night sky program** 6:30pm – Bring your binoculars or telescope for an evening of stories and science. Free but space limited so call for reservations. **Barataria Preserve**, 6588 Barataria Blvd., **Marrero**, 504-589-2330 ext. 10.

**Rendez-vous des Cajuns** 6:00pm – At Liberty Theater next door to center. Live Cajun and zydeco music. **Prairie Acadian Cultural Center**, 250 West Park Avenue, **Eunice**, 337-457-7700 for ticket information.

**Sunset stroll** 5:00pm – Join a ranger on a boardwalk trail as the swamp comes alive with the night. Free but space limited so call for reservations. **Barataria Preserve**, 6588 Barataria Blvd., **Marrero**, 504-589-2330 ext. 10.

**Youth choir performance** 5:00pm - The Rejuvenation Evangelical Youth Choir makes a joyful noise. Free. **Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center**, 314 Saint Mary St., **Thibodaux**, 985-448-1375.



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**Discover New Orleans** 2:00pm - Explore south Louisiana history and culture with a National Park Service ranger. Free. **French Quarter Visitor Center**, 419 Decatur Street, **New Orleans**, 504-589-2636 ext. 1.

**Historic Thibodaux walking tour** 2:00pm - Take a one-mile walk with a ranger through local history. Free. **Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center**, 314 Saint Mary St., **Thibodaux**, 985-448-1375.

**Ranger talk** 2:45pm – Rangers share local history and culture. Free. **Acadian Cultural Center**, 501 Fisher Road, **Lafayette**, 337-232-0789 ext. 11.

**Riverfront history stroll** 9:30 am - Walk along the Mississippi River levee for a bird's eye view of the French Quarter and an overview of New Orleans history. 25 free tickets given out beginning at 9:00am; first-come, first-served. **French Quarter Visitor Center**, 419 Decatur Street, **New Orleans**, 504-589-2636 ext. 1.

**Wetlands walk** 10:00am – Explore wild Louisiana on a ranger-guided walk through swamp and marsh. Daily walks may be cancelled during special events or due to staffing. Free. **Barataria Preserve**, 6588 Barataria Blvd., **Marrero**, 504-589-2330 ext. 10.

## Special Exhibits

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**"1808 - Louisiana Civil Code"** - Documents, French coins, and medals tell the story of Louisiana's legal system and its roots in the French Revolution, the Emperor Napoleon's civil code, and the legal code of Spanish Louisiana. In French and English. Free. **Acadian Cultural Center**, 501 Fisher Road, **Lafayette**, 337-232-0789.

**Junior Duck Stamp Exhibit** - Art and conservation meet in the winning entries for the national Junior Duck Stamp competition by young Louisiana artists. Through February 28. Free. **Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center**, 314 Saint Mary St., **Thibodaux**, 985-448-1375.

**Traditional boatbuilding** - Boatbuilding classes are underway at the center on Saturdays; visitors are welcome to view the progress any time the center is open. Free. **Wetlands Acadian Cultural Center**, 314 Saint Mary St., **Thibodaux**, 985-448-1375.