



Friday, January 6 * 6:30pm & 8pm
Ocean Waves

National Weather Service meteorologist Joel Curtis illustrates how ocean waves develop, evolve and react when meeting the shore. When those waves hit Yakutat, one of the icy surfers is Joel. See how it's done!

Friday, January 13 * 6:30pm & 8pm
Tracking Eagles

Using GPS transmitters attached to bald eagles' backs, US Fish and Wildlife Service biologist Stephen B. Lewis documents the birds' movements, especially around airports. Follow the eagles' flights near home and across international boundaries.

Friday, January 20 * 6:30pm & 8pm
Pack Creek Bears

A student intern program placed three Juneau youth alongside rangers among the bears on Admiralty Island's brown bear viewing area. Students Martina Miller and Lynzey Culver join Pack Creek's Harry Tullis to follow the humans and bears for a summer's work.

Friday, January 27 * 6:30pm & 8pm
Prickly Neighbors

Learn the winter survival secrets of porcupines as they endure Alaska's harsh conditions. Anchorage-based Alaska Department of Fish and Game Area Wildlife Biologist Jessy Coltrane digs into the quilled rodents' special abilities.

Friday, February 3 * 6:30pm & 8pm
Buried Treasure: Uncovering Riches of Soils

Forest Service scientist Dave D'Amore explains the essentials of soils and how they provide the natural world with food, fuel and fiber. Soil is the key to life.

Friday, February 10 * 6:30pm & 8pm
Jokulhlaup! Glacial Outburst Flood

On a hot July day in 2011, Mendenhall Lake began rising 1-2 inches per hour. Eran Hood, UAS professor; Aaron Jacobs, National Weather Service; and Tom Mattice, Juneau's emergency program manager, investigated the flood source in Suicide Basin, hidden behind Mount Bullard. Get the details on this glacial phenomenon and its Icelandic name.

Friday, February 17 * 6:30pm & 8pm
President Harding in Alaska

President Warren Harding was photographed in 1923 in front of Mendenhall Glacier. After a tour of Alaska and driving the golden spike in the Alaska Railroad at Nenana, Harding headed south. He died mysteriously within a month. Pursue the intrigue with historian Jim Geraghty.

Friday, February 24 * 6:30pm & 8pm
Mendenhall Memories

Reminisce about the early days of the visitor center -- celebrating 50 years in 2012 -- with first ranger KJ Metcalf, summer restaurant employee Doug Jones, and other Mendenhall pioneers. Do you remember the pies at the *Sit'ya*?

Friday, March 2 * 6:30pm & 8pm
Southeast Alaska's Sandhill Cranes

Hear the captivating call of sandhill cranes with Hank Lentfer, naturalist and writer, as he shares the natural history of the ancient-looking long-legged birds that stop off each autumn near his home in Gustavus. Learn how Lentfer's affection for cranes led him to the very thing he was trying to avoid. Hank's newest book is *Faith of Cranes: Finding Hope and Family in Alaska*.

Friday, March 9 * 6:30pm & 8pm
Salmon in the Trees

Award-winning photographer Amy Gulick highlights the remarkable relationships among the salmon, bears, forests, and people of the Tongass National Forest in her book *Salmon in the Trees*. More than just a photo journey, Amy's pages reveal local and national writers' inspired connections with the nation's largest temperate rainforest.

Friday, March 16 * 6:30pm & 8pm
Living Off the Grid

Jay Beedle grew up in Juneau then moved his family to nearby Shelter Island. Building home, energy systems and a thriving life "off the grid," the Beedle family forged a close link to their ocean and island home. Jay and his daughter Jayleen's photographs reveal the spectacular benefits of remote living.

Friday, March 23 * 6:30pm and 8pm
Constructing Salmon Creek Dam

Constructing a large concrete arch dam is quite an undertaking even today. With historic photos and original construction reports, Scott Willis, Alaska Electric Light and Power, shows us how truly remarkable the construction of Salmon Creek dam was nearly 100 years ago.

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