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Fort Clatsop holds holiday happenings

Learn about the Lewis and Clark Expedition during the time of year the Corps of Discovery stayed on the coast

ASTORIA — Lewis and Clark National Historical Park will offer special programs about the Corps of Discovery's winter at Fort Clatsop on the days after Christmas. Starting Saturday, Dec. 26, Fort Clatsop will feature living history programs each day through Jan. 2.

Costumed rangers will present daily flintlock muzzle-loading programs at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. Hands-on programs about various aspects of the explorers' winter at Fort Clatsop will be available at the fort at 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and from 2 to 3 p.m. Ranger-guided walks on the Netul River Trail will be offered at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 26 and Monday through Saturday, Dec. 28 to Jan. 2.

Movies will also play in the Fort Clatsop visitor center each hour: "A Clatsop Winter Story," a 22-minute movie



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Fort Clatsop will hold living history programs, walks and movies Dec. 26 to Jan. 2.

about the 1805-06 winter from a Clatsop Indian perspective, and "Lewis and Clark: Confluence of Time and Courage," a 34-minute movie about the entire voyage.

The park is closed on Christmas Day, Dec. 25.

A unit of the National Park Service, Lewis and Clark National Historical Park, Fort Clatsop is located southwest of Astoria. The park, including the Fort to Sea Trail, the visitor center, fort, Netul River Trail, and the parking lots, is

open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The park also includes the Salt Works site near the Promenade in Seaside and the Middle Village/Station Camp site just east of Fort Columbia in Washington. Leashed dogs are welcome on the walks and at the outdoor programs.

Admission to Fort Clatsop is \$3 per adult and includes Netul Landing and the Fort to Sea Trail. There is no admission fee for the Salt Works or Middle Village/Station Camp. For more information, call 503-861-2471.

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