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## **Experience Mackinac Under the Light of a Full Moon August 19**

MACKINAW CITY, MICH. — Experience the magic of Mackinac by the light of the full moon on a guided walk with Park Naturalist Kyle Bagnall on Saturday, August 19. Starting behind Fort Mackinac at about 8:15 p.m., enjoy a stroll to the highest point of the island at Fort Holmes, where the group will arrive in time to watch the full moon rise over Lake Huron, illuminating the landscape below.

The journey will cover about one mile total, including trails over uneven terrain and climbing 141 stairs to Fort Holmes. A flashlight is recommended for the return trip.

“Watching the full moon rise from the highest point of Mackinac Island is nothing short of magical,” Bagnall said. “This month, the full “Sturgeon Moon” is also the year’s first supermoon, which appears bigger and brighter than usual. The past few years have offered perfect viewing conditions as the huge, orange disc of the moon appeared on the horizon, appearing to rise from Lake Huron’s waters. This is definitely an event you won’t want to miss!”

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More information can be found at [mackinacparks.com](http://mackinacparks.com). Additional pictures are available upon request. A downloadable version of this release can be found [here](#). Additional photos available upon request.

*Mackinac State Historic Parks, a family of living history museums and parks in northern Michigan's Straits of Mackinac, is an agency within the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Its sites—which are accredited by the American Alliance of Museums—include Fort Mackinac, the Biddle House, featuring the Mackinac Island Native American Museum, The Richard & Jane Manoogian Mackinac Art Museum, Benjamin Blacksmith Shop, American Fur Co. Store & Dr. Beaumont Museum, McGulpin House, and Mackinac Island State Park on Mackinac Island, and Colonial Michilimackinac, Old Mackinac Point Lighthouse, Historic Mill Creek, and Michilimackinac State Park in Mackinaw City. Mackinac State Historic Parks is governed by the Mackinac Island State Park Commission, established in 1895 to protect, preserve and present the parks' rich historic and natural resources for the education and recreation of future generations. Visitor information is available at (231) 436-4100 or online at [www.mackinacparks.com](http://www.mackinacparks.com).*

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