

Luray Caverns 148th Anniversary of Discovery Day

Visitors will be able to experience this world-renowned natural wonder and the other attractions on the grounds of Luray Caverns in a different light as they celebrate the 148th Anniversary of its discovery.

The main attraction throughout Discovery Day will be the Grand Illumination Tours of this U.S. Natural Landmark. The first Grand Illumination took place in 1878, with *The New York Herald* reporting that a “thousand candles illuminated the antechambers making it nearly as bright as day.” Experience the thrill of adventure from this bygone era as period-costumed guides tell of Luray Caverns’ storied past in special candle-lit sections in the caverns. Open from 9am to 7pm.

A final highlight in the dark evening skies will be the sights and sounds of a massive fireworks display. This spectacle will be coordinated with a recital from the Luray Singing Tower, a 47-bell carillon located on the event’s perimeter.

Saturday, August 15th, 2026

LURAY CAVERNS
In Virginia's Shenandoah Valley

What will you discover?



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