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Start 2019 with a Climb to the Top of the Cape Lookout Lighthouse

HARKERS ISLAND, NC – Kick off the New Year with a visit to your favorite beach. Cape Lookout National Seashore and their authorized passenger ferry concessioner, Island Express Ferry Service, LLC are pleased to welcome the public to the first lighthouse climb of the year on Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

Come experience the view from the gallery of the iconic Cape Lookout Lighthouse while hearing nostalgic stories of the Lighthouse Keepers, the lighthouse, and the natural barrier island ecosystem during winter.

Space is limited and reservations are required. This program will be able to accommodate a maximum of 40 participants. The program begins on Harkers Island at 9:00 a.m. under the Harkers Island Visitor Center - ferry dock canopy. Please arrive early to check your party in with Park Rangers. Shortly after the program commences, all participants will travel together on a single ferry that departs at 9:15am, and returns to Harkers Island by 12:15 p.m.

Children joining the climb must be at least 44-inches tall and must climb the steps on their own. Kids (12 years of age and younger) must be accompanied by an adult (16 or older). Dress accordingly to maritime weather conditions; Closed-toed shoes are required.

The cost of the program is \$28 (price includes ferry fee) and is non-refundable (weather dependent). Make your reservation by calling Island Express Ferry Service at (252) 728-7433, Monday through Friday, between 8am – 5pm, or anytime on-line at: www.islandexpressferryservice.com.

For more information about climbing the lighthouse go to: <http://go.nps.gov/lighthouse>.

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