

Fall Programs

Preregistration required for some events.
Please email MACNatureCenter@parks.ny.gov
or call **(315) 482-2479** to register.



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NOV + DEC
2023

NATURE'S TABLE

Saturday, November 4 // 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

What do you get when you put together pumpkins, moss, and succulents? You get a living fall centerpiece for your home! Join us for this fun and creative craft and make your fall home beautiful! Registration is limited; materials fee of \$10. RSVP by 11/2.

AMERICAN FLAG WALL HANGING

Friday, November 10 // 10:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

Come celebrate Veterans Day by turning a recycled paper bag into a beautiful American flag wall hanging. Please wear clothes you don't mind getting paint on. RSVP by 11/8.

GARLAND-MAKING WORKSHOP

Saturday, November 11 // 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Join us for a crafty morning making beautiful garlands from natural materials. This is a first in a series of craft classes we're offering that will be sure to make your holiday home festive! Registration is limited; materials fee of \$10. RSVP by 11/9.

SCAT SCULPTURES

Saturday, November 18 // 1:30 p.m.

Come join us for an interesting art class. Together we will build clay sculptures that look like different shaped scat. This can be an identification tool to ID animal scat in your own backyard. This is great for all ages! RSVP by 11/16.

BLACK FRIDAY HIKE + SALE

Friday, November 24 // Hike: 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. // Gift Shop: 8:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

+ Small Business Saturday November 25 // Gift Shop: 8:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Normally we'd say "Don't go shopping... Come hiking!" As it works, you can do both! We'll be taking a lovely 2.5-to-3-mile hike and returning to the Nature Center for some cocoa and cookies. For added cheer, get your holiday shopping started with 20% off at the gift shop!

HOLIDAY WALL HANGING

Saturday, November 25 // 10:30 a.m.–11:30 p.m.

A paper bag, paint, some recycled fabric, and buttons, and you have an awesome holiday tree wall hanging. Come learn how to create this easy, fun, festive craft! Please wear clothes you don't mind getting paint on. RSVP by 11/24.



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FULL MOON HIKE FOR HUNGER

Monday, November 27 // 4:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

Join us on the trails for monthly full moon hikes! November's full moon is called the "Beaver Moon." We'll be collecting canned goods to kick-off our regional MLK Food Drive. Please wear sturdy hiking shoes, layered clothing for warmth, and bring your own headlamp and/or flashlight. We'll leave the Nature Center with plenty of time in hopes of catching a view of the moonrise. Following the hike, we'll host a campfire and snacks! Program subject to weather. Limited space, please RSVP by 11/25.

ADULT BARN QUILTING WORKSHOP

Saturday, December 2 // 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Our Barn Quilt Workshop is back! We'll be creating 12"x12" holiday-themed barn quilts perfect for holiday decorating or for gift-giving! Materials fee \$25. Space is limited so please preregister early! RSVP by 11/30.

HOLIDAY BONANZA *Sponsored by the Friends of the Nature Center*

Saturday, December 9 // 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Join us for some holiday cheer at the 10th annual Holiday Bonanza! Come enjoy live music, local craft vendors, raffles, food, hot beverages, holiday craft-making for both children and adults, and more! Bring your family and friends and have fun at this festive community event. It's a great way to kick off the holiday season!

ORNAMENT-MAKING WORKSHOP

Saturday, December 16 // 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

In this holiday workshop, you'll be able to create three different handcrafted ornaments. Your holiday tree will sparkle with the beauty of nature! Come one, come all and get your merry going! RSVP by 12/14.

CELEBRATE SNOWFLAKES!

Saturday, December 23 // 1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

What better way to celebrate winter than with some fun snowflake crafts as we learn fascinating facts about this winter phenomenon. Dress for the weather and be prepared for some outdoor snowflake fun!

WINTER TREE ID HIKE

Saturday, December 30 // 1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

Ever wondered how to ID trees in the winter? Come brush up on your ID skills and join us for a tree sleuthing hike. Dress for the weather and be prepared for a half-mile hike.

LUMINARY HIKE + YEAR-END BONFIRE

Sunday, December 31 // 5:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m.

Follow the lighted path to a wonderful New Year! Come experience half-mile North Field Loop lit with trailside luminaries on this festive self-guided night hike. We'll hike our way to a bonfire where we'll discard those burdens that have weighed us down in 2023 and embrace the freshness and positivity of 2024! The Nature Center will provide eggnog and cider throughout the duration of the Luminary Hike for extra holiday cheer! Please dress for weather and bring a flashlight/headlamp. Snowshoes will be provided (weather permitting). RSVP by 12/29.



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