



# Marshy Point Nature Center

7130 Marshy Point Road, Baltimore, MD 21220

410-887-2817, [www.marshypoint.org](http://www.marshypoint.org)

Department of Recreation & Parks

Programs begin promptly at start time.



**\*Space is limited. Please register for all Programs.\***

## March 2021

Should you require special accommodations (i.e., language interpreter, large print, etc.)  
410-887-5370 / TDD: 410-887-5319

- **FACE MASK REQUIRED DURING PROGRAMS FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS AGES 2 AND OLDER**
- **ALL PROGRAMS ARE LIMITED TO 25 TOTAL PARTICIPANTS**
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#### **Mondays**

March 1,8,15,  
22, 29  
11 am – 12 n

**Pre-K Nature** – March 1 (Baby Animals), March 8 (Signs of Spring), March 15 (Counting on Nature), March 22 (Baby Birds & Chicks) March 29 (Wiggly Worms) – Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders. Dress for the weather, arrive by start time. This program is for families. \$5 per child.

#### **Wednesdays**

March 3,10,17,  
24, 31  
11–11:45 am

**Nature Storytime** – Join a Naturalist for a story and a short hike. Recommended for ages 5 and younger. \$2 per child.

Sat, March 6  
2 – 3 pm

**A Changing World** – Nothing ever stays the same. Climate cycles, weather patterns and invasive species place stresses on the ecosystem. We'll look at how different habitats might adjust to these and other factors. \$2 per person.

Sun, March 7  
10 – 11:30 am

**Spring Photography** – Wear your boots and bring your camera to explore the springtime photographic opportunities around Marshy Point. \$5 per person.

Sat, March 13  
2 – 3 pm

**Wake up Nature!** – Spring is almost here! We'll venture out into the park to look at some early signs of the season. \$2 per person.

Sun, March 14,  
9 am

**Sundays Birdwalk** – Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers.

Sun, March 14,  
1 – 2 pm

**Nature Quest Hike with Parker the Frog** – Take a hike and a hop to one of our Nature Quest posts and you can take pictures with Parker on the way, all ages welcome!

Sat, March 20  
2 – 3:30 pm

**Bluebird Workshop\*** – Build a bluebird box to take home and learn why bluebirds need our help. *Limited to 10 participants.* \$12 per box, \$10 for members.

Sun, March 21  
1 – 2 pm

**Salamander Time** – Spotted salamanders migrate to our wetlands in March to breed. We'll search for them and their eggs. \$2 per person.

Sat, March 27  
2 – 3 pm

**Walk in the Park** – Start Spring by enjoying the great outdoors! Join us for an easy hike observing nature's splendor. \$2 per person.

Sun, March 28  
10 am – 11:00 am

**Wet Boots and Frog Snoots** – Wear waterproof boots to join a Naturalist in search of Marshy Point's amphibians. \$2 per person.



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Sat, April 3  
1–2 pm

Scrambled Eggs – Each amphibian has a unique shape to its egg mass. Wear waterproof boots. Join us for a hike to our ponds to unscramble the confusion. \$2 per person.

Sun, April 4  
12–1 pm

Natural Egg Dyes – **Bring a dozen hard boiled eggs** and we'll show you how to use natural dyes and pigments from the earth to color them. \$2 per person.

**Mondays**  
April 5, 12, 19, 26  
11am – 12 n

Pre-K Nature – **April 5 (Incredible Eggs), April 12 (Frogs & Tadpoles), April 19 (Earth Day Celebration), April 26 (April's Showers)** – Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, songs, and outdoor activities together. Dress for the weather, arrive by start time. This program is for families. Groups must schedule a separate trip. \$5 per child.

**Wednesdays**  
April 7, 14, 21, 28  
11–11:45 am

Nature Storytime – Join a Naturalist for a story and a short hike. Recommended for ages 5 and younger. \$2 per child.

Fri, April 9  
7 – 8:00 pm

Froggy Night Hike – Amphibians are singing. Learn whose call goes with which amphibian. Wear waterproof boots for a hike to the ponds. \$5 per person.

Sat, April 10  
10-11:30 am

Fishing the Dock – Bring your little ones to fish from Marshy Point's dock. Maryland fishing license required for participants 16 and older. \$2 per person.

Sun, April 11  
8 am

Sunday Birdwalk – Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers.

Sun, April 11  
2 – 4 pm

Canoe the Creek – Our first canoe trip of the season. Join us to limber up your muscles and paddle Dundee Creek with a Naturalist. *Limited to 14 participants.* Ages 8 & older. \$7 per person, \$5/members.

Sat, April 17  
10 am – 11:30 am

Spring Photography – Wear your boots and bring your camera to explore the Springtime photographic opportunities around Marshy Point \$5 per person.

Sun, April 18  
2 – 3 pm

Plein Air Sketching – Join our artist in residence to sketch some Spring scenes around Marshy Point. All materials provided. \$3, \$2 for members.

Sat, April 24  
2 – 3:00 pm

Earth Day Celebration – Environmentalism at Marshy Point. Come learn how we go green at Marshy Point and pick up a few tips and tricks you can try at home. \$2 per person.

Sun, April 25  
1 – 3:00 pm

Bluebirds on the Bay – The bluebird is a member of the thrush family. Join a Naturalist as we check our bluebird trail and collect data. 2 miles round trip. \$2 per person.



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Sat & Sun,  
May 1 & 2  
10 am – 4 pm

**Spring Scavenger Hunt** – Offered throughout the day. Explore the park and see all the changes that are happening during the Spring. Once all the items have been found collect a prize! \$2 per entry.

**Mondays**  
May 3, 10, 17, 24  
11 am – 12 n

**Pre-K Nature – May 3 (Baby Plants), May 10 (Rainbow Flowers), May 17 (Honeybees), 24 (Bird Buddies)** – Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, songs, & outdoor activities together. Dress for the weather, arrive by start time. For families, groups must schedule a trip. **No Pre-K on May 31.** \$5 per child.

**Wednesdays**  
May 5, 12, 19, 26  
11–11:45 am

**Nature Storytime** – Join a Naturalist for a story and a short hike. Recommended for ages 5 and younger. \$2 per child.

Fri, May 7  
7:30 – 9:30 pm

**Sunset Canoe Trip** – Native Americans traveled Dundee Creek by canoe, why not you and your friends or family? *Limited to 14 participants.* Ages 8 & older. \$7 per person, \$5 for members.

Sun, May 9, 8 am

**Mother's Day Birdwalk** – Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers.

Sun, May 9  
12 n – 2 pm

**Mother's Day Canoe Trip** – Mom is free on this trip! Bring your lunch and join a naturalist to explore the marshes of Dundee Creek. *Limited to 14 participants.* Ages 8 & older. \$7 per person, \$5 for members.

Sun, May 16  
10 – 11:30 am

**Fishing the Dock** – Bring your little ones to fish from Marshy Point's dock. Maryland fishing license required for participants 16 and older. \$2 per person.

Sat, May 22  
1 – 2 pm

**The Hive and the Honeybee** – Learn about our busy bees and see them up close. \$2 per person.

Sun, May 23  
2 – 3:00 pm

**Estuary Exploration** – Warmer water temperatures have brought animals back into the shallows. Join a Naturalist to observe some of the residents of Dundee Creek. \$2 per person.

Sat, May 29  
1 – 2 pm

**Terrific Turtles** – Different turtles are adapted to different ways of life. Learn about the many turtles of Marshy Point. \$2 per person.

Sun, May 30  
1 – 2 pm

**Backpacking 101** – Learn what to pack and bring on a future adventure. Then, join us for an afternoon hike. \$2 per person.

Mon, May 31  
All day

**Center Closed for County Holiday – Park Open.**



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**CHESAPEAKE ADVENTURERS PRE-K**  
**March 1 – April 2, 2021**

(Virtual Mon. & Wed.) (Friday in person, 10-11:30 am with a parent) Ages: 3, 4, 5  
Must have turned 3 by Jan. 1, 2021, and be potty proficient.

**Community Garden Plots Available**

We are excited to announce the opening of our Marshy Point Community Garden. Plots are available for \$25 the 2021 season. For more information, please email [info@marshypoint.org](mailto:info@marshypoint.org)

**Native Plant Sale**

The nature center will be selling a variety of native trees, shrubs, and perennials this spring! To request an order form please email [info@marshypoint.org](mailto:info@marshypoint.org)

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- \* Call 410-887-2817, M-F 9 am–5 pm for availability and information.
- \* Payments must be received within **three days of reservation** and can be made in person (hours: M-F 9 am–5 pm); by mailing a check (payable to: [MPNC Council](http://MPNC Council)) to MPNCC, 7130 Marshy Point Road, Baltimore, MD 21220; or by paying online at: [www.marshypoint.org](http://www.marshypoint.org)
- \* **Organizations must schedule programs separately from the programs (for families) listed in this publication.**

**Rain/Snow/Inclement Weather Policy**

- \* All events are rain or shine unless a rain date is specified.
- \* Program leaders determine cancellations on the day of the program. Please call one hour before start time for status.
- \* Snow closings: [www.baltimorecountymd.gov/news/weather/](http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/news/weather/)
- \* Participants under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
- \* Fishing is not permitted from the shoreline and dock.
- \* Dept. of Rec. & Parks, MPNC, staff, and volunteers are not liable for loss, theft, or damage to personal property.
- \* We reserve the right to deny any visitor to participate based on behavior that could jeopardize the safety of individuals groups.



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