



Marshy Point Nature Center

Program and Event Calendar

7130 Marshy Point Road
Middle River, MD21220
410-887-2817, www.marshypoint.org
Department of Recreation & Parks



Masks required while inside the Nature Center

Special Events

Volunteer Training - Individuals who enjoy nature, children, and the Chesapeake Bay are needed as volunteers at Marshy Point Nature Center and other Baltimore County parks. Volunteer training takes place twice yearly. This fall, the dates are Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday, September 29 & 30 and October 1 from 10 am to 1 pm. The cost is \$5 per volunteer. Refreshments will be provided.

Marshy Point Fall Festival - Saturday, September 25, 10am - 4pm. Enjoy live music, animal talks, hay rides, apple cider pressing, food, & more! Canoe and boat trips available too, weather & tide permitting. Event is rain or shine! Free parking and admission.

Spring 2022 Chesapeake Adventurers Program - Alongside two Adventure Guides, children will journey through the forests, wetlands, and tidal creeks that make up Marshy Point. We will explore vernal ponds, play in meadows and climb trees. Along the way, we will discover the flora and fauna that surround us, allowing each child to make their own special connections with nature. AGES: 3 1/2, 4, & 5.



Program Registration Information



Advance registration required for all programs. Programs begin promptly at start time.

*Call 410-887-2817 M-F, 9am - 5pm for availability & information.

*Registration can only be completed in-person or by phone; online registration is unavailable at this time.

* Payments can be made in person, by check payable to MPNC Council, 7130 Marshy Point Rd, Balto. MD 21220, or online at www.marshypoint.org through our "Get Involved" section.

* Organizations and groups must schedule private programs; programs in this calendar are meant for individuals and families.

*Kayak trips: single-person kayaks; **10** individuals max. for program.

Rain/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.

Other Important Information

*Participants under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

* Fishing is not permitted from the shoreline; you may fish from your kayak or canoe.

* Dept. of Rec. & Parks, MPNC, staff, & volunteers are not liable for loss, theft, or damage to personal property.

* We reserve the right to deny participation to any visitor based on behavior that could jeopardize safety.



September 2021



Space is limited. Please register for all programs.

Groups need special reservations

**Should you require special accommodations
(i.e., language interpreter, large print, etc.)**

410-887-5370/ TDD: 410-877-5319



Wednesdays: Sept 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29

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.



Mondays: Sept 13, 20, 27

11 am – 12 n

Pre-K Nature

13th (Bee-utiful Bees), 20th (Fall Colors), 27th (Apples). Introduce your little ones to nature's

wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, songs, & outdoor activities. Groups must call to schedule a

trip. \$5 per child.

No Pre-K Sept 6.

Sat, Sept 4

1 – 2pm

International Vulture Awareness Day – Gross but good! Come learn about nature's custodians and all the good that vultures do for us. \$2 per person.

Sun, Sept 5

1 – 2:30pm

The Wild Banana – Join us to search for the elusive Pawpaw. The little-known fruit belongs to the custard apple family and is the largest edible fruit native to North America . \$2 per person.

Mon, Sept 6

All day

Center Closed for Labor Day – park open.

Sat, Sept 11

10am – 12n

Canoe Dundee Creek with a Naturalist – Travel with us to Gunpowder State Park to sample the Bay's bounty. Wear shoes that can get wet. Ages 8 & up. \$7 per non-member, \$5 per member.

Sun, Sept 12

9am

Sunday Bird Walk – Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers. Free!

Fri, Sept 17

6:30 – 7:30pm

Harvest Moon Hike – The harvest moon is only a few days away. Learn how our ancestors traveled by moonlight and what animals come alive at this nocturnal hour. Campfire to follow. \$5 per non-member, \$3 per member.

Sat, Sept 18

1 – 2:30pm

Miraculous Monarchs – These brightly colored butterflies make an amazing migration ever year. We will search for them and their host plants. \$2 per person.

Sun, Sept 19

1 – 3pm

Almost Fall Kayak Trip – Tour Dundee Creek and observe the early signs of fall. Ages 8 & up. \$7 per non-member; \$5 per member,

Sat, Sept 25

10am – 4pm

13th Annual Fall Festival – Animal talks, hay rides, food, music & more! Canoe & boat trips, weather & tide permitting; festival is held rain or shine! Free admission & parking.

Sun, Sept 26

12n – 2pm

Pumpkin Painting – Bring your creativity and decorate a small pumpkin for the fall season. Pumpkins are \$3; supplies will be provided.

**Sept 29 & 30
and Oct 1**

10am – 1pm

Fall Volunteer Training – We are looking for adult volunteers to teach programs, assist with animal care, and take part in special events! Training schedule: 9/29 at Marshy Point Nature Center, 9/30 at Cromwell Valley Park, and 10/1 at Fort McHenry. Refreshments provided; bring a lunch and drinks on 10/1. \$5 for new volunteers.



October 2021



Space is limited. Please register for all programs.

Groups need special reservations

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Wednesdays: Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27

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.



Mondays: Oct. 4, 18, 25,

11am - 12n

Pre-K Nature

**4th (Pumpkins), 18th (Nocturnal Animals), 25th
(Halloween - costumes encouraged).** Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories,

crafts, games, songs, & outdoor activities. Groups

must call to schedule a trip.

\$5 per child. **No Pre-K Oct. 11**

**Sat, Oct 2
10 - 11am**

Fall Photography - Join our resident photographer to capture some scenes of the season. \$5 per person.

**Sun, Oct 3
1 - 2:30pm**

Frontier Fire - Knowing how to start a fire, make traps and cook food, was essential on the Chesapeake frontier. You can learn how early residents of the area did it. \$2 per person.

**Sat, Oct 9
10am - 12n**

Autumn Foliage Kayak Trip - Kayak Dundee Creek and observe the environmental changes brought about by the fall season. Ages 8 & up. Limited to 10 total participants. \$7 non-members, \$5 members.

**Sun, Oct 10
9am**

Sunday Bird Walk - Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers. Free!

**Mon, Oct 11
All day**

Center Closed for Indigenous People's Day - Park Open

**Sat, Oct 16
10 - 11am**

Fall Sketching - Join our artist in residence to sketch some fall scenes around Marshy Point. \$5 per person.

**Sun, Oct 17
11am - 12n**

Apple Head and Corn Husk Dolls - Before toy stores, people made toys for their children. Learn how to make apple heads and create your own corn husk doll. \$5 non-members, \$3 members.

**Fri, Oct 22
6 - 7pm**

Spooky Night Hike - Celebrate this ghoulish time of year with a night-walk along Marshy Point's trails. A naturalist will highlight some of Halloween's most celebrated nocturnal animals. \$5 per person.

**Sat, Oct 23
10:30am - 12n**

Shelter Building - Are you prepared for a zombie invasion? Learn the wilderness survival skills necessary to stay alive if modern technology fails. \$5 per non-member; \$3 per member

**Sun, Oct 24
1 - 3pm**

Fall Colors Canoe Trip - Enjoy the changing colors as we ply the waters of Dundee Creek. Ages 8 & up. Limited spots available. \$7 per non-member, \$5 per member.

**Sat, Oct 30
10:30am - 12n**

Make a Scarecrow - Bring old clothes to make a scarecrow or pick one of our baby outfits to make a scare-baby. \$7 per scarecrow for non-members, \$5 for members.

**Sun, Oct 31
1 - 3pm**

Trick or Treat at Marshy Point - Search for treats and find our tricks along the trails. Dress up and enjoy a ghoulish time! \$3 per person.





November 2021



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Wednesdays: Nov 3, 10, 17

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.



Mondays: Nov 1, 8, 15, 22

11 am - 12 n

Pre-K Nature

**1st (Falling Leaves), 8th, (Migration), 18th
(Hibernation), 22nd (Talking Turkeys).** Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, songs, and outdoor activities. Groups must call to schedule a trip. \$5 per child.

No program, Nov. 29.

**Sat, Nov 6
10am - 12n**

Changing Seasons Kayak Trip - Paddle around Dundee Creek with a naturalist and observe fall's late-season changes and winter's early signs. Limited to 10 total participants. Ages 8 and up. \$7 per non-member, \$5 per member.

**Sun, Nov 7
1 - 2pm**

Squirrels!- Join a Naturalist to discover the grey squirrel's world, and learn how they influence the growth of our forests. \$2 per person.

**Thurs, Nov 11
All day**

Center Closed for Veteran's Day - Park open

**Sat, Nov 13
1 - 3pm**

Late Autumn Canoe Trip - Cruise the cool waters of Dundee Creek with a naturalist. Limited space. Ages 8 & up. \$7 per non-member, \$5 per member.

**Sun, Nov 14
9am**

Sunday Bird Walk - Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers. Free!

**Sun, Nov 14
1 - 2pm**

A Seedy Situation - Late fall brings about seeds and nuts galore! Learn about the various types you can find in our park in addition to the animals that store and consume them. \$2 per person.

**Sat, Nov 20
1 - 2:30pm**

White Tail Hike - Take a walk along the White Tail trail and learn about the deer that inhabit Marshy Point. \$2 per person.

**Sun, Nov 21
11am - 12n**

Talking Turkey - Learn about the wild turkeys of Maryland, and meet our own Bourbon Reds and wild turkey. \$2 per person.

**Thurs, Nov 25
All day**

Closed for Thanksgiving - Park Open



**Sat, Nov 27
12n - 1pm**

The Great Marsh Migration - Fall is coming to an end; for many species, this means it's time to head south, but other species are just arriving. Learn who is coming and going as the season changes. \$2 per person.

**Sun, Nov 28
12n - 1pm**

Fort Garrison Feast - The fort was built on the Maryland frontier in 1693. Meet the rangers and find out how they lived and what they ate. Reservations required to participate, limited to 10 people. Ages 10 and older. Open house begins at 1pm, participants with reservations meet at 12n. Directions given at time of registration. Don't miss this once a year event! \$25 per person, \$20 for members. Located at Historic Fort Garrison.