Royalview Rumble at Mill Stream Run Reservation
SEPTMBER PROGRAMS BY LOCATION

**Off Site**
- 14 • Miled Walks: Towpath Trail Stage 3
- 29 • Kayaking: Basic Strokes

**AR** Acacia Reservation
- 3 • Acacia for the Young at Heart
- 8 • Birds of Acacia

**BeR** Bedford Reservation
- 7 • Bedford XC Mountain Bike Race
- 14 • September Spiders
- 17 • Hiking for the Young at Heart
- 19 • Preschool: Let’s Explore
- 20 • Trail Along Tinker's Creek
- 21 • Woodlands of Bedford: Forest Exploration
- 23 • Mountain Biking: Balance & Control
- 25 • Wednesday Walk
- 26 • Outdoor Adventures for Homeschoolers: Mountain Biking
- 26 • Outdoor Adventures for Homeschoolers: Biking

**(BCR)** Big Creek
- 14 • Super Nature Bros.

**BWR** Bradley Woods Reservation
- 24 • Hikathon: Low and Lush

**BrR** Brecksville Reservation
- 7 • Field Trek
- 12 • Nature with Nurture
- 21 • Hike for Your Health
- 29 • FallFest

**BNC** Brecksville Nature Center
- 4 • Animal Crackers
- 7 • Fibonacci Numbers in Nature
- 8 • Pioneer Living for Kids: Papermaking
- 12 • Discover-Explore-Connect Homeschool Program
- 14 • Native Plant Garden: Start to Finish
- 15 • Indoor Gardening
- 21 • Primitive Skills: Wild Plants

**BR** Brookside Reservation
- 7 • Wildin’ Out Wildlife

**CWC** CanalWay Center
- 1 – 30 • Hunt of the Month
- 5 • Cleveland Astronomical Society
- 7 • Tree School
- 13 • Towpath Trail Tour: Nature
- 13 • Towpath Trail Tour: Evening
- 16 • Family Fun Night
- 18 • Birding the Canal
- 18 • Young Explorers
- 21 • Fall Adventure Bus Tour
- 21 • Tales Around the Emerald Necklace: Stories for Children and Families
- 22 • Mill Creek Exploration Bus Tour
- 25 • Discovery Days: Turtle Travels
- 26 • Rock Climbing: Anchor Building 1
- 28 • Towpath Trail Tour: Extended

**CMZ** Cleveland Metroparks Zoo
- 4 • Senior Safari
- 6 • Rising Waters Overnight
- 7 • Tiger Tracks Overnight
- 7 • Rising Waters Overnight
- 7 • Tiger Tracks Overnight
- 8 • Zoo Career Day
- 10 • Homeschool: Gorillas
- 13 • Rising Waters Overnight
- 13 • Tiger Tracks Overnight

**Cleveland Metroparks Zoo (Cont’d)**
- 14 • Rising Waters Overnight
- 14 • Tiger Tracks Overnight
- 20 • Tiger Tracks Overnight
- 21 • Tiger Tracks Overnight
- 27 • Tiger Tracks Overnight
- 28 • Tiger Tracks Overnight

**ECR** Euclid Creek Reservation
- 15 • Monarch Migration Sensation
- 17 • History of Euclid Creek
- 22 • Butterfly Safari Drop-by
- 25 • Wellness Walk

**GPR** Garfield Park Center
- 4 • Handcycling
- 7 • Presque Isle Paddling Day Trip
- 24 • Dolly Sods Pre-trip

**GPR** Garfield Park Reservation
- 13 • Walk with a Physical Therapist
- 27 • Picture Perfect Walk

**HIR** Hinckley Reservation
- 3 • Try-It: Kayaking
- 8 • Hiking Hinckley Series
- 10 • Kayaking: Basic Strokes
- 10 • SUP 1: Strokes
- 11 • Youth Adventure Seeker Series
- 12 • Rock Climbing: Top Rope & Belay
- 13 • Full Moon Float
- 14 • Voyageur Canoe Paddle
- 15 • Life In and On the Lake
- 17 • Kayaking: 2: Rescues
- 17 • SUP 1: Strokes
- 21 • Ledges to Lake Adventure Race
- 28 • Rock Climbing: Anchor Building 2
- 28 • Rock Climbing Skills Session

**HuR** Huntington Reservation
- 22 • Migration Survey

**LR** Lakefront Reservation
- 3 • Cuyahoga River by Boat
- 3 • Sailing 2: Skippering
- 4 • Crusin’ with the Captains
- 5 • Cuyahoga River by Boat
- 6 • Scramton Stroll
- 6 • Monarch Butterfly Migration
- 7 • Nature by Boat: Resurrecting a River
- 7 • Emerald Necklace Art Club
- 8 • Try-It: Sailing
- 8 • Family Learn to Sail
- 8 • Fall Bird Migration Along Lake Erie
- 10 • Monarch Butterfly Migration
- 10 • Nature Boat Tour
- 11 • Crusin’ with the Captains
- 12 • Birds of the Lakefront
- 12 • Cuyahoga River by Boat
- 13 • Monarch Butterfly Migration
- 13 • Monarch Count
- 17 • Cuyahoga River by Boat
- 18 • Crusin’ with the Captains
- 19 • Cuyahoga River by Boat
- 21 • Nature by Boat: Resurrecting a River
- 21 • Bike the Bikeway to Before-the-Bridge

**Lakefront Reservation (Cont’d)**
- 24 • Cuyahoga River by Boat
- 25 • Crusin’ with the Captains
- 26 • Cuyahoga River by Boat
- 28 • Flats Trails Hike

**MSR** Mill Stream Run Reservation
- 26 • Hikathon: High and Dry

**NCNC** North Chagrin Nature Center
- 1 • Butterflies and Blossoms
- 6 • Mammal Discovery Table
- 6 • Meet the Trailblazers: Digger Gallagher
- 7 • Grandparents Day Hike and Play
- 9 • Polliwog Preschool
- 10 • Sprouts: Growing Kids and Wonder, Naturally
- 13 • Meet the Trailblazers: Dr. Wildweed
- 14 • STEM Saturday
- 14 • Dog Hike
- 15 • Photography Contest Drop-Off
- 15 • Spiders of Ohio Workshop
- 21 • Nature at Night
- 22 • Fun with Fall Leaves
- 27 • Meet the Trailblazers: Serge the Voyager
- 28 • Make and Take Microscope
- 28 • Nature Photography Contest and Show Reception
- 29 • Winterizing Your Garden for Pollinators

**NCR** North Chagrin Reservation
- 7 • Tributary Trek: Buttermilk Creek
- 13 • Girl Scout Brownie Hiker Badge
- 18 • Chagrin River Homeschool
- 18 • September Stroll
- 19 • Buckeye Trail Series
- 27 • Birding the River

**OECC** Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation
- 7 • Channel Way Campfire
- 9 • Walk With Ease
- 14 • Afternoon Archery for Kids
- 14 • Afternoon Archery for Adults
- 29 • Afternoon Archery for Kids
- 29 • Afternoon Archery for Adults

**OECR** Rocky River Nature Center
- 11 • West Creek Night Hike: Stide for the Skyline
- 13 • The Lake Erie Monster Bus Tour
- 13 • Friday Full Moon Walk
- 14 • Field Flowers at West Creek
- 18 • The Waters of West Creek
- 28 • Emerald Hike

**RR** Rocky River Reservation
- 20 • Nature Baby: Rocks!

**SCR** South Chagrin Reservation
- 7 • Cleveland Natural Science Club
- 7 • Search for Salamanders
- 23 • Fall Folklore Hike
- 24 • Early Autumn Hike
- 28 • Autumn Watercolor Workshop
- 28 • Nature Journaling

**WCR** Watershed Stewardship Center
- 6 • Super Animals
- 7 • Material Mayhem
- 8 • Sunday Drop-by: Augmented Reality Sandbox
- 14 • Drop-by: Mammals of West Creek
- 14 • Tales Around the Necklace
- 22 • Rain Barrel Workshop
- 28 • Fruits of Fall
- 28 • Scouts BSA Merit Badge: Insect Study Part I
- 29 • Scouts BSA Merit Badge: Insect Study Part II

**WCR** West Creek Reservation
- 11 • West Creek Night Hike: Stide for the Skyline
- 13 • The Lake Erie Monster Bus Tour
- 13 • Friday Full Moon Walk
- 14 • Field Flowers at West Creek
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**WO** Watershed Observation
- 8:30 A.M. – NOON

**WC** Watershed Observation
- 8:30 A.M. – NOON

**WRCR** West Creek Reservation
- 28 • Flats Trails Hike
- 28 • The Scoop on Dunk
- 28 • Changing Seasons Hike
- 29 • Late Summer Bioblitz

**WRR** Rocky River Reservation
- 20 • Nature Baby: Rocks!
1 – 30 • SEPTEMBER

Hunt of the Month
We have hidden 20 paper hawks throughout the center for you to find before you head outside to see if you can spot any real hawks getting ready to migrate south. Through September 30.
3:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. Mon. – Sat. Noon – 5 p.m. Sun  CWC

Gallery Wall: Ken Busch
As a professional photographer in commercial, industrial and media events, Ken has refocused his camera to the beauty of the natural world. This exhibit explores intimate encounters with raptors and birds of prey in Cleveland Metroparks and Ohio. Through October 31.
9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. RRNC

1 • SUNDAY

Birds vs. Buildings
Prevent strikes at your windows by seeing from a bird’s eye view. A naturalist will compare types of collisions and their consequences for native and migrant songbirds.
1 – 2:30 p.m. RRNC
Age: adults

Butterflies and Blossoms
The blooming season is slowing, but it will end with a bang. We’ll put names and stories to the stunning asters and abundant flowers of September, as well as their faithful pollinators.
2 – 3 p.m. NCNC
Terrain: paved trails, 1 mile

3 • TUESDAY

Acacia for the Young at Heart
Sometimes the best way to explore nature is to slow down. Enjoy a leisurely walk with Naturalist Natalie Schroder as we explore the meadows of Acacia Reservation.
10 – 11:30 a.m. AR
Meet at the kiosk
Age: adults
Terrain: paved, some hills, up to 2 miles
440-473-3370

Cuyahoga River by Boat
Historical Interpreter Doug Kusak is your guide on a boat ride going up the river. We’ll discuss the Cuyahoga River, bridges, area geography, watersheds, trails and industry. River traffic affects route and time.
3 – 5 p.m. or 6 – 8 p.m. LR
Merwin’s Wharf
Fee: $15
Register online beginning August 20
216-206-1000

Western Cuyahoga Audubon Society: Ohio’s Environmental Issues and How Citizens Can Help
Citizens need to be aware of statewide environmental issues and advocacy is part of Audubon’s mission. Marne Urso, policy director with National Audubon’s Great Lakes Region, will walk us through how anyone can receive notice of issues and become involved.
7:30 – 9 p.m. RRNC

4 • WEDNESDAY

Animal Crackers
Join Miss Jenny to explore the prairie and learn all about insects!
10 – 11:15 a.m. or
1 – 2:15 p.m. BNC
Trailside Program Center
Age: 3 – 5 years with adult only
Register by phone beginning August 21
440-526-1012

Senior Safari at Cleveland Metroparks Zoo
Come out to Senior Safari where guests 62 and better get free admission to the Zoo, special offerings and information on services available throughout the area.
10 a.m. – 1 p.m. CMZ

Cruisin’ with the Captains
Take a 1-hour cruise with the captain aboard the water taxi. Sit back, enjoy the scenery while the captain navigates the numerous turns of the Cuyahoga River. Get up close to freighters, bridges and wildlife. Explore how the commercial and recreational characteristics of the river are constantly changing.
5 – 6 p.m. or 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. LR
Merwin’s Wharf
Fee: $10
Register online beginning August 20
216-206-1000

5 • THURSDAY

Little Explorers: Woodpecker, Wham!
Bring your little explorer to investigate the lives of woodpeckers, those remarkable backyard birds. Program includes a story, craft, and a short hike around the nature center.
10 – 11 a.m. and 1 – 2 p.m. RRNC
Age: 3 – 5 years with adult
Terrain: natural surface, 0.5 mile
Register by phone August 20 – September 3
440-734-6660

Cuyahoga River By Boat
Details and registration
3 – 5 p.m. or 6 – 8 p.m. LR

Cleveland Astronomical Society
Professor Sultana N. Nahar of The Ohio State University will present some of her findings from “The Iron Project: Discovering our Sun through Its Iron Abundance.”
6:30 – 7 p.m. Meeting
7 – 8:30 p.m. Speaker
CWC

6 • FRIDAY

Scranton Stroll
Join Naturalist Marty Calabrese to walk the Centennial Lake Link Trail from Merwin’s Wharf to Scranton Flats—a national model for urban shipping lanes and fish habitat. Restored in 2014, we’ll explore the 2,800 feet of natural shoreline.
9:30 – 11 a.m. LR
Merwin’s Wharf parking lot
Terrain: flat, paved, 2 miles
440-734-6660

Monarch Butterfly Migration
Join Naturalist Jake Kudrna in search of monarch butterflies along the shores of Lake Erie as they begin their southern migration.
2 – 3 p.m. LR
Wendy Park parking lot
Terrain: natural surface, less than 1 mile
216-206-1000

For all Outdoor Recreation activities, see page 11 for a complete listing.
clevelandmetroparks.com
**Family Fun Living History Series:**

**Meet the Trailblazers**
North Chagrin Nature Center • 7 – 8 p.m.

**Friday, Sept. 6**

Meet the Trailblazers: Digger Gallagher
Come see Naturalist Foster Brown as he portrays Digger, the hard-working canal builder. Through songs and stories, we will learn why the canal was built, the hardships it brought, and the great success it created.

**Friday, Sept. 13**

Meet the Trailblazers: Dr. Wildweed
Dr. Wildweed is coming to town! Naturalist Foster Brown will portray an old-time herbalist and share the purposes and stories behind plants in yards, fields, forests and along our roadsides during this fun, family-friendly program.

**Friday, Sept. 27**

Meet the Trailblazers: Serge the Voyageur
Serge, paddler and fur trader from our Great Lakes’ past, will unveil the life of a voyageur working for the Northwest Fur Company. Songs, stories and plenty of interactive fun make this history lesson fun for the entire family.

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**Mammal Discovery Table**
Drop in any time between listed hours and learn about our furry and warm-blooded animal neighbors. See and touch native Ohio mammal pelts and skulls and meet a live big brown bat at our discovery table.

2 – 3 p.m. NCNC

**Super Animals**
Many animals have amazing adaptations that make them super. Learn how and why these animals are so great and then create your own superhero based off an amazing animal. We’ll create our own small comic books of our new superheroes.

7 – 8 p.m. WSC
Age: 5 years & over with adult

**Rising Waters Overnight**
Rising Waters campers will learn about African and Asian cultures, participate in conservation oriented activities and experience close up encounters with the Zoo’s small ambassador animals. A night hike and smores around the campfire round out a fun night.

7 p.m. – 10 a.m. CMZ
Age: 6 years & over with adult
Fee: $42

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**Tiger Tracks Overnight**
Over the course of the evening, campers will track an Amur tiger through the taiga, look for clues that they have been in the habitat and explore the many ways that tigers survive in the Russian Far East.

7 p.m. – 10 a.m. CMZ
Age: 6 years & over with adult
Fee: $42
[Register online]

**7 • SATURDAY**

**Nature by Boat: Resurrecting a River**
2019 marks 50 years since the last fire on the Cuyahoga River. Join Naturalist Jake Kudrna as we tour the river to discover the life that has returned and the integral part Cleveland Metroparks has played in its resurrection.

8:30 – 10:30 a.m. LR
Water Taxi Dock (Flats East Bank) (parking not included)
Fee: $15
[Register online]

**Field Trek**
Join Naturalist Jenny McClain for a late summer hike through meadow and field in search of wildflowers and the pollinators they depend on.

9:30 – 11 a.m. BR
Meadows Picnic Area
Terrain: hills, 2 miles
440-526-1012

**Emerald Necklace Art Club**
Draw and paint with us! Members of the Emerald Necklace Art Club are invited to bring their favorite medium as we appreciate the signs of the season. Not a member? Sign up at clevelandmetroparks.com/ENAC
9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. LR
Age: adults
Fee: $20
440-473-3370

**Wildin’ Out Wildlife**
Take a walk on the wild side to discover as many wild things as possible! Naturalist Matt will lead us through the wild woods as we seek and identify all sorts of wildlife.

10 – 11:30 a.m. BR
Brookside Valley Event Site
Terrain: paved, natural surface, stairs, 2 miles
440-887-1968

**Late Summer Forest Hike**
Join Naturalist Beth Whiteley as we hike through the floodplain forest. We’ll look for late blooming wildflowers, birds and animals as they begin to make preparations for the upcoming changing seasons.

10 – 11:30 a.m. RRNC
Terrain: natural surface, flat, 2 miles

**Search for Salamanders**
Fern-covered ravines and cool, clear creeks are home to several kinds of salamanders. Learn how to safely explore for these secretive amphibians in their secluded nooks and crannies.

10 – 11 a.m. SCR
Look About Lodge parking lot
Terrain: natural surfaces, 0.5 – 1 mile
440-473-3370

**Grandparents Day Hike and Play**
Celebrate Grandparents Day with children of all ages. We will play family-friendly games on a short exploration hike near the nature center and create our own family tree craft to take home.

11 a.m. – noon NCNC
Terrain: paved, natural surface, up to 0.5 mile
440-473-3370

**Archery for Beginners: Family**
Archery is a great activity that almost anyone can do. All the equipment is provided for an afternoon of family fun learning the basics of the sport from certified instructors in a non-competitive setting.

1:30 – 3 p.m. or 3:30 – 5 p.m. BR
York Road Archery Range
Age: adults, 9 years & over with participating adult
Fee: $5
[Register online]
beginning August 26
440-526-1012

**Tributary Trek: Buttermilk Creek**
Join Naturalist Foster Brown as we slosh through the creek and explore the ripples and eddies of this dynamic watercourse. We will search for aquatic animal life and geology that give us clues into this valley's past.

1:30 – 4:30 p.m. NCNC
Buttermilk Falls parking lot
Age: 12 years & over with adult
Terrain: uneven, wet, natural surface, 2.5 miles
440-473-3370

**Creepy Crawlers**
Curious about bugs? Trying to work on your fears of spiders and other bugs? Join a naturalist to look for these creatures and talk about what makes them so important and clear up common myths. Bring your questions and your curiosity!

2 – 3 p.m. RRNC
Terrain: flat, natural surface, 1 mile

**Fibonacci Numbers in Nature**
The Fibonacci sequence of numbers is found in many places, including the natural growth of plants and animals. Join Naturalist Kathy Schmidt for this indoor/outdoor program to discover some of nature’s amazing patterns.

2 – 4 p.m. BNC
Trailside Program Center
Age: adults
Terrain: stairs, 1 mile

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**Tree School**
Saturdays • 2 – 4 p.m.
September 7 – October 12
CanalWay Center
Just in time for peak fall foliage, this in-depth, six-week course will teach you the skills to identify over 40 species of trees throughout Cleveland Metroparks and the Eastern United States. Registrants will receive a copy of The Sibley Guide to Trees as reference material throughout the program.
Age: 16 years & over
Terrain: paved, natural surface, up to 3 miles
Fee: $50
[Register online]
216-206-1000

**Material Mayhem**
Reusing old fabric can benefit the environment greatly. Learn how to hand stitch as we sew something unique from recycled materials and fabrics. Discover how these sustainable skills can help us to reuse and recycle in our daily lives.

2:30 – 4 p.m. WSC
Age: adults, 9 – 15 years with adult

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**440-526-1012**
CanalWay Campfire
Join us for an end of summer campfire. We'll have plenty of marshmallows for everyone. Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on around the fire ring. Follow the signs from the CanalWay Center parking lot to fire pit location.
7:30 – 8:30 p.m. 
Terrain: paved, 0.25 mile
Register online beginning September 3
216-206-1000

Cleveland Natural Science Club: Garret Ormiston
The Cleveland Museum of Natural History's Garret Ormiston will speak about the agency's Land Conservation Program.
7:30 – 9 p.m. 
Look About Lodge
440-473-3370

Rising Waters Overnight Details and registration
7 p.m. – 10 a.m. 
CMZ

Tiger Tracks Overnight Details and registration
7 p.m. – 10 a.m. 
CMZ

8 • SUNDAY
Zoo Career Day
Explore the professional fields of animal care, veterinary medicine, education and more. Get close with small animals, meet the Zoo staff, take a behind-the-scenes tour and get a closer look at the real work involved with these exciting careers.
9 a.m. – 2 p.m. 
CMZ
Reinberger Education Center
Age: grades 9 – 12
Fee: $47 member/$52 nonmember
Register online

Fall Bird Migration along Lake Erie
Join Naturalist Jen Brumfield as you search the water for warblers, vireos, flycatchers and more at Northeast Ohio's urban birding gem, Wendy Park. Park in the gravel lot east of the marina.
9:30 – 11 a.m. 
LR
Wendy Park
Terrain: natural surface, 1 mile
440-734-6660

Birds of Acacia
The ever-changing landscape of Acacia Reservation offers great birding opportunities. Join Naturalist Natalie Schroder as we search for a bounty of birds. Bring binoculars, some available to borrow.
9:30 – 11:30 a.m. 
AR
Meet at the kiosk
Terrain: paved trails, up to 2 miles
440-473-3370

Finding the Wind
Join Naturalist Ali to explore the winds of wonder. We'll craft a windsock and take it along with us during a short hike.
11 a.m. – noon 
RRNC
8 – 12 years with adult
Terrain: mostly flat, natural surface, 0.5 – 1 mile

Sunday Drop-by: Augmented Reality Sandbox
Learn about watersheds using this cool technology. Our custom-made augmented reality sandbox lets you build, alter and destroy landscapes while making digital rain run across a rainbow-colored map. Bring your children or unleash your inner child.
12:30 – 2 p.m. 
WSC

Pioneer Living for Kids: Papermaking
Join Historical Interpreter Beth Robb for this pioneer living program. This month we'll explore papermaking and create some recycled paper to take home. Each month will feature a different pioneer theme.
1:30 – 3 p.m. 
BNC
Trailside Program Center
Age: 9 – 12 years
Fee: $2

Monarch Migration
Let's see if we can find any monarch butterflies resting up before their long migration. We'll walk in search of butterflies and learn their unique life cycle along the way.
9 – 10 a.m. 
LR
Wendy Park parking lot
Terrain: natural surface, less than 1 mile
216-206-1000

Sprouts: Growing Kids and Wonder, Naturally
Your preschooler will love this immersive learning experience in the natural world. Join Natalie the Naturalist to discover honeybees as they prepare for fall and winter. We will have discovery time and go on a short hike.
10:30 – 11:45 a.m. or 1 – 2:15 p.m. 
NCNC
Nature Education Building
Age: 3 – 5 years with adult
Terrain: paved, natural surface, 0.75 mile
Register online August 16 – September 1

Polliwog Preschool
Mondays, September 9 – October 14
Join Natalie the Naturalist to discover nature in this drop-off program. Through the use of hands-on, nature-based activities structured around art, literature, music and movement, we will further develop your preschooler's skills.
9:45 a.m. – noon or 1:30 – 3:45 p.m. 
NCNC
Nature Education Building
Age: 4 – 6 years (must be potty trained)
Fee: $60
Terrain: paved, natural surface, up to 2 miles
Register online August 1 – September 1

Walk With Ease September 9 – October 16 (Every Mon., Tue. & Wed.)
10 – 11 a.m. • OECR • Settlers Bluff Picnic Area
Doug Kusak leads the Arthritis Foundation's Walk With Ease six-week program — an evidence-based, low-impact walking program designed to increase mobility and reduce pain associated with arthritis and other chronic conditions. Learn to walk safely, improve health and accomplish individual goals. Terrain: paved, distance based on individual's comfort level.
Register by phone
216-206-1000

Cuyahoga Astronomical Association: Dark Matter and Gravity in the Universe
Professor Stacy McGaugh, Case Western University, will discuss his work on the search for Dark Matter (DM) and the possibility that DM does not exist. We simply do not understand gravity.
7:30 – 9 p.m. 
RRNC

Southwest Camera Club “What I Did This Summer” – Bring 10-15 images of what you did this summer to share with the group.
7:30 – 9 p.m. 
RRNC

Nature Boat Tour
View Cleveland's wildlife from a boat. We'll discuss the plants that inhabit the riverbed. We'll also look for a wide variety of waterfowl as we float down the Cuyahoga River.
3 – 5 p.m. or 6 – 8 p.m. 
LR
Merwin's Wharf
Fee: $15
Register online beginning August 20
216-206-1000

11 • WEDNESDAY
Cruisin’ with the Captain Details and registration
5 – 6 p.m. or 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. 
LR
Merwin’s Wharf

West Creek Night Hike: Stride for the Skyline
Join a naturalist on a leisurely walk in the woods to view Cleveland's skyline from the observation deck atop Lookout Ridge; then hike the loop.
6 – 7:30 p.m. 
WCR
Lookout Ridge Loop parking lot
Terrain: paved, natural surfaces, uneven, stairs, 2 miles
440-887-1968

Greater Cleveland Beekeepers Association: Overwintering Honeybees in Northeast Ohio
Denzil St. Clair, Owner of Queen Right Colonies, will discuss overwintering honeybee hives in Northeast Ohio. How to prepare, when and if to open hives, what should have been done and what you can still do to prepare.
7 – 9 p.m. 
RRNC

Cruisin’ with the Captain Details and registration
5 – 6 p.m. or 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. 
LR
Merwin’s Wharf

West Creek Night Hike: Stride for the Skyline
Join a naturalist on a leisurely walk in the woods to view Cleveland's skyline from the observation deck atop Lookout Ridge; then hike the loop.
6 – 7:30 p.m. 
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Fee: $15
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5 – 6 p.m. or 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. 
LR
Merwin’s Wharf

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## SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS BY DATE

### Discover – Explore – Connect Homeschool Program

**Second Thursdays • Sept. 12, 2019 – May 14, 2020**

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**Register online August 21 – September 4**

### 12 • THURSDAY

#### Birds of the Lakefront
The Cleveland Lakefront Nature Preserve is a well-known haven for birds. Join Naturalist Jake Kudrna on a hike through this man-made oasis in search of our feathered friends. Bring binoculars, some available to borrow.

8:30 – 10:30 a.m.  
Lakefront Reservation Administration Building parking lot  
Terrain: natural surface, 2 miles  
216-206-1000

#### Cuyahoga River By Boat
Details and registration

3 – 5 p.m.  
LR

#### Nurture with Nature
Bring your family for a monthly program to explore nature through books, games and other activities. This month we’ll learn about bats.

6:30 – 7:30 p.m.  
BrR  
Oak Grove Picnic Area  
Age: 3 years & over with adult  
Register by phone beginning September 1  
440-526-1012

### 13 • FRIDAY

#### The Lake Erie Monster Bus Tour
This Friday the 13th, discover the green monster of Lake Erie: Hazardous Algal Blooms (HABs). Explore Old Woman Creek National Estuary to see how nature prevents this nuisance; then visit University of Toledo’s Lake Erie Center to unravel mysteries in the shallow waters. Meet in the WSC parking lot.

8 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
WCR  
Age: adults  
Fee: $70 (includes lunch and snacks)  
Terrain: paved, some natural surface, 2 miles total  
Register online  
June 25 – September 5

#### Walk with a Physical Therapist
Join a Cleveland Clinic physical therapist to walk the trail and learn how to use the equipment on the Physical Fitness Trail at Garfield Park Reservation. This exercise equipment was specifically designed to increase the health and fitness of older adults.

10 – 11 a.m.  
Garfield Park Center parking lot  
Age: adults  
Terrain: paved, some gravel, hills, stairs, 1 mile  
216-341-1707

#### Towpath Trail Tour: Nature
Join a naturalist this afternoon for a cart tour along the Ohio and Erie Canal. We’ll discuss the animals both past and present that call the valley home.

1 – 2:30 p.m.  
CWC  
Fee: $5  
Register online beginning September 3

#### Monarch Butterfly Migration Details
2 – 3p.m.  
LR  
Lakefront Reservation Administration Building parking lot  
216-206-1000

#### Girl Scouts: Brownie Hiker Badge
Join us for a naturalist-led hiking adventure and work towards earning the Brownie Hiker badge. We will learn the skills to become lifelong, happy hikers as we explore the woods near Squire’s Castle.

6 – 7 p.m.  
NCR  
Squire’s Castle parking lot  
Terrain: natural surface, up to 1 mile  
440-473-3370

#### Towpath Trail Tour: Evening
Just before sunset many animals are out searching for food. Join a naturalist on an evening cart tour along the Ohio and Erie Canal to see what kind of wildlife is stirring.

6:30 – 8 p.m.  
CWC  
Fee: $5  
Register online beginning September 3

#### Meet the Trailblazers: Dr. Wildweed
(see feature block)  
7 – 8 p.m.  
NCNC

#### Rising Waters Overnight Details and registration
7 p.m. – 10 a.m.  
CMZ

#### Tiger Tracks Overnight Details and registration
7 p.m. – 10 a.m.  
CMZ

#### Full Moon Float
Enjoy an evening kayak paddle on Hinckley Lake. We’ll look and listen for wildlife and watch the full moon rise over the horizon. Equipment is provided.

7:30 – 9 p.m.  
HiR  
Hinckley Lake Boathouse Classroom  
Age: adults  
Fee: $10  
Register online beginning September 1  
440-526-1012

#### Friday Full Moon Walk
Let’s gather at dusk to greet the moon as it rises during our walk. Nature seems to transform as day turns to night, shadows befall the ground, and day sleepers arise.

7:30 – 9 p.m.  
WCR  
Monarch Bluff Picnic Area  
Terrain: paved, gentle hill, 1.25 miles  
440-887-1968

### 14 • SATURDAY

#### Cleveland Foundation Centennial Trail 5K
Don’t miss the second annual 5K run & walk through the newest urban trails connecting Cleveland’s downtown area. Registration includes an event t-shirt and access to the Merwin’s Wharf after party featuring live music, snacks and refreshments. Race begins at the trailhead near the Columbus Road bridge (Rivergate Park).

Time: Race starts 8:30 a.m.  
Fee: $20 if registered by August 30  
$25 by September 13  
$30 day of event  
Register online

#### September Spiders
Spiders are actually our friends! Join Naturalist Matt as we explore the trail to see which species of spiders we can find. Learn how they are helpful and why we shouldn’t fear them.

9 – 10:30 a.m.  
BeR  
Hemlock Creek Picnic Area  
Age: 5 years & over with adult  
Terrain: natural surface, mostly flat, 1 mile  
440-887-1968

#### Miled Walks: Towpath Trail Stage 3
Historical Interpreter Doug Kusak mostly walks but occasionally talks on this program. Walking new sections of Towpath Trail from Steelyard Commons to Literary/University, we'll briefly discuss the history of the area, planned trails, area topography, industry and more. Meeting location given following registration.

9 a.m. – noon  
Site: Off site  
Terrain: paved, inclines, 5 miles  
Register online beginning August 20  
216-206-1000

#### Bird Walk
The Second Saturday walks are a great opportunity for birders of all skill levels to enjoy the woods and wetlands around the nature center. Meet in the parking lot.

9 a.m. – noon  
RRNC  
Terrain: natural surface, 2 miles  
Register online by September 7

#### Easy Macramé Bird Feeder
Create a beautiful, simplistic bird feeder using everyday materials and the art of macramé. You don’t need any prior skills, this is a beginner friendly project.

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
RRNC  
Age: adults, 12 & over with adult  
Fee: $5  
Register online by September 7

#### Field Flowers at West Creek
Late summer and early fall bring on a final flush of flowers. Help Naturalist Debra Shankland find them. Bring your Newcomb’s Wildflower Guide if you want an ID refresher.

11 – 12:30 p.m.  
WCR  
Monarch Bluff Picnic Area  
Terrain: paved, gentle hill, some tall grass, 1.25 miles  
440-887-1968

#### Voyager Canoe Paddle
This living history program about the Great Lakes fur trade gives you a chance to paddle a 34-foot canoe, sing and hear tales from characters of long ago. A perfect program for those seeking historic adventure.

11:30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2:30 p.m.  
HiR  
Hinckley Lake Boathouse & Store  
Age: 5 years & over  
Fee: $5  
Register online beginning August 14  
440-526-1012
**North Chagrin Photography Contest and Show coming in October**

**Drop Off September 15 – 22 • 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

**North Chagrin Nature Center**

Entries must be framed and ready to hang with wire and be of Northeast Ohio’s plants, animals and natural landscapes. Photo must be taken by applicant. Prints must be no larger than 19” x 23” with frame. Limit one photo per person. Prizes and ribbons will be awarded to winners, only winners will be notified by September 27. Photos will be exhibited in the nature center from October 1 – 31. A reception will be held on September 28 from 1 - 3 p.m. Call 440-473-3370 or visit clevelandmetroparks.com for details.
Chagrin River Homeschool
Third Wednesdays – Sept. 2019 through May 2020
10 a.m. – noon • North Chagrin Reservation
This drop-off program will immerse students through hands-on learning, observation, and exploration of the 2,179 acre classroom of North Chagrin Reservation. No program on December 18. STEAM-focused curriculum changes monthly.
10 a.m. – noon    NCR (various locations)
Age: grades K – 2, grades 3 – 5, grades 6 – 9
Fee: $25 (materials for all 8 classes)
Register online August 12 – September 10 440-473-3370

18 • WEDNESDAY

Birding the Canal
Join Naturalist Jake Kudrna as we walk the towpath in search of the birds that make Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation their home. 9:30 – 11 a.m.    CWC
Terrain: paved, 2.5 miles

September Stroll
Let the autumn air and changing foliage refresh your body and mind. Take a relaxing stroll through an old growth forest in search of big trees and hidden wetlands.
10 – 11 a.m.    NCR
A. B. Williams Memorial Woods parking lot
Terrain: natural surfaces, 1.5 miles 440-473-3370

Young Explorers
Bring your preschoolers to CanalWay Center to learn about fish. We’ll learn all their unique traits, explore their habitat, and play some fishing games.
1 – 2 p.m.    CWC
Age: 3 – 5 years with adult
Terrain: paved, 0.5 – 1 mile
Register online or by phone beginning September 3 216-206-1000

19 • THURSDAY

Preschool: Let’s Explore
Spend the morning outside with your preschooler. We’ll hike the flood plain of Tinker’s Creek in search of birds, insects, and evidence of other critters. We’ll talk about our discoveries along the way.
10 – 11 a.m.   BeR
Hemlock Picnic Shelter
Age: 2 – 5 years with adult
Terrain: natural surface, 1 mile
Register online beginning September 3 216-206-1000

Homeschool Happenings: Insect Investigation
Homeschoolers can join naturalists to get close to some of the many insect species that populate our ecosystems. We will be catching, observing, and releasing some of these critters, as well as offering other hands-on buggy activities.
1:30 – 3:30 p.m.   RRNC
Age: grades 1 – 3, grades 4 – 6
Cuyahoga County and Hinckley Twp. residents:
Register online September 1 – 7 register Out of county residents register September 3 – 7

Cuyahoga River By Boat
Details and registration 3 – 5 p.m. or 6 – 8 p.m.   LR

20 • FRIDAY

Nature Baby: Rocks!
Nature is awaiting you so let’s get baby out to explore. We will discover the different colors, textures, sizes and shapes of our local rocks. We will stop at the river’s edge to explore the ROCK-y River!
10 – 11 a.m.   RRR
Memorial Field
Age: 3 years & under with adult
Terrain: flat, natural, rocky surface, 0.25 mile
Register online September 3 – 18 440-734-6660

Habitat Detectives
Strengthen your nature detective skills and search for clues about what animals live around Rocky River Nature Center! We will use our ears, eyes and maybe even our nose to uncover the mysteries of nature! 3 – 4 p.m.   RRNC
Terrain: stairs, natural surface, 1 mile
Age: 3 years & over with adult

Trail Along Tinker’s Creek
Hike from Tinker’s Creek Gorge Overlook to Bridal Veil Falls to learn how water carves our landscape into wondrous formations. Cameras encouraged.
6 – 7:30 p.m.   BeR
Tinker’s Creek Gorge Overlook parking area
Terrain: paved, natural surface, rough, hilly, 2 miles 440-887-1968

Tiger Tracks Overnight
Details and registration 7 p.m. – 10 a.m.   CMZ

21 • SATURDAY

Nature by Boat: Resurrecting a River
Details and registration 8:30 – 10:30 a.m.   LR

Steelhead Expo
Join fellow anglers for a day focused on this incredible sport fish. Learn to read the river, try fly casting techniques, check out the latest gear and pick up tips on secrets of the sport. Visit exhibitors and vendors and enjoy demonstrations and presentations. Presented by The Ohio Central Basin Steelheaders and Cleveland Metroparks.
9 a.m. – 4 p.m.   RRNC

Hike for Your Health
Hiking is physically beneficial, but it can also improve your overall mood and mental health. Join Naturalist Jenny McClain as we hike through forest and field to enjoy the late summer landscape.
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.   Br Plateau Picnic Area
Age: adults
Terrain: hills, up to 5 miles 440-526-1012

Woodlands of Bedford: Forest Exploration
We will explore the forest of Bedford Reservation, including both the dry uplands and the floodplain along Tinker’s Creek. Many different tree species will be revealed by Fred Losi as we enjoy the last few days of summer.
9:30 a.m. – noon   BeR Egbert Picnic Area
Terrain: natural surface, 2.5 miles 216-206-1000

Fall Adventure Bus Tour
Join us as we explore the fall foliage of some Ohio State Parks. At each park we’ll go for a short hike to see what wildlife may be in that area. We’ll stop and have a picnic lunch at Punderson State Park.
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.   CWC
Age: 10 years & over (under 17 with adult)
Fee: $50
Terrain: paved, natural surface, 3 – 6 miles total for the day
Register online August 1 – September 13

Bike the Bikeway to Before-the-Bridge
Historical Interpreter Doug Kusak leads a round-trip bicycle adventure along the Cleveland Lakefront Bikeway en route to viewing where we’ll soon have an iconic bridge to Wendy Park. Meeting location given following registration.
Noon – 2 p.m.   LR
Terrain: paved, city streets, several hills, 7.5 miles
Register online beginning September 3 216-206-1000

Tales Around The Emerald Necklace: Stories for Children and Families
Join us for a variety of stories from around the world as told by talented storytellers. Children bring your parents and grandparents to join in the magic. Light refreshments will be provided.
1 – 2 p.m.    CWC
Primitive Skills: Wild Plants
Wild plants abound in the fields and forests around us, and it is fun and interesting to learn how plants were used in the past. Join Naturalist Kathy Schmidt to search for these plants and their edible qualities.
2 – 4 p.m. BNC
Trailside Program Center
Age: adults
Terrain: stairs, 1.5 miles

Wild Words: Nature Book Club
Join fellow bibliophiles and nature lovers as we discuss The Overstory by Richard Powers. If the weather is nice, we’ll sit outside and enjoy an early autumn evening.
5:30 – 6:30 p.m. RRNC

Nature at Night
Saturday, September 21
6 – 10 p.m.
North Chagrin Nature Center
The sun is setting — celebrate all the life that wakes up as darkness creeps over the landscape. Family activities and live animals precede our forest night hike.

Tiger Tracks Overnight
Details and registration
7 p.m. – 10 a.m. CMZ

22 • SUNDAY

Migration Survey
Join Naturalist Jen Brumfield to survey migrating terns, waterfowl and warblers along Lake Erie’s coastline. Meet by the water tower 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. HuR
Terrain: mostly flat, natural surface, 1 mile
440-734-6660

Mill Creek Exploration Bus Tour
We’ll be traveling to Youngstown, Ohio to explore the Mill Creek MetroParks. We will see the Fellows Riverside Gardens and Visitor Center, Lanterman’s Mill, and more.
10 a.m. – 5 p.m. CWC
Age: adults
Fee: $70 (includes lunch and admission)
Terrain: paved, natural surface, less than 2 miles
Register online beginning August 1

New Perspectives Hike
Join Naturalist Ali on an adventure to explore the environment in new ways. Be ready to look over, under, around and through to discover nature all around you.
11 a.m. – noon RRNC
Terrain: incline, natural surface, 1.5 miles

23 • MONDAY

Fort Hill Salute the Sun
The autumnal equinox is the perfect time to salute the sun. Climb the Fort Hill Stairs with Historical Interpreter Jen Graham to watch the sun rise and learn about the significance of the Woodland Indian earthworks at the peak.
7 – 8 a.m. RRNC
Terrain: 155 stairs up Fort Hill

Butterfly Safari Drop by
Let’s go on a butterfly hunt! A naturalist will be on hand with nets, containers and expertise to see what flying creatures are visiting the beach. We’ll meet at the walking bridge near the “Cleveland” sign.
1 – 2:30 p.m. ECR
Wildwood Marina parking lot
440-473-3370

Magical Monarchs
Find out all about the life cycle of the amazing Monarch butterfly. See Monarchs in various stages and learn about their migration to Mexico. We will visit the garden to see if we can find, catch and tag Monarchs before they leave for their journey.
2 – 3 p.m. RRNC
Ages: 5 years & over
Terrain: paved, grass, 0.25 mile

Rain Barrel Workshop
Learn to harvest rainwater for your garden needs and to combat storm water pollution in your community. Each workshop participant will construct a rain barrel to take home, be ready to transport it.
2:30 – 4 p.m. WSC
Terrain: paved trail, 1 mile
Register online August 20 – September 13

Fun with Fall Leaves
Fall is a wonderful time to have fun with leaves. Join Naturalist Natalie Schroder on a short walk around the nature center collecting leaves. After the walk each person will make their own book of leaf rubbings to take home.
3 – 4 p.m. NCNC
Age: 5 years & over with adult
Terrain: paved, natural surface, up to 0.5 mile

Fall Folklore Hike
Learn about the myths and lore of fall as we search for signs of the season on the autumnal equinox.
1 – 3 p.m. SCR
Chagrin Boulevard parking lot
Terrain: hills, stream crossing, 1.5 miles
440-473-3370

24 • TUESDAY

Hikathon: Low and Lush
Join Naturalist Marty Calabrese along rugged trails that navigate a meadow, a lake, abandoned sandstone quarries, and the only swamp forest in Cleveland Metroparks. We’ll hike an abbreviated 2-mile route in the event of heavy rain.
8 – 10 a.m. BWR
Codrington Shelterhouse Picnic Area
Terrain: natural surface, 4 miles
440-734-6660

Early Autumn Hike
The rich woodlands of South Chagrin Reservation are ripe with interesting mushrooms, red leaf salamanders, and the start of fall color. Let’s get out and enjoy the changing seasons.
2 – 3:30 p.m. SCR
Sulphur Springs Picnic Area
Terrain: steep hills, several stream crossings, 3 miles
440-473-3370

25 • WEDNESDAY

Wellness Walk
Time spent in nature is shown to have positive effects on mind, body, and spirit. Let’s hit the trail to reap the rewards of the outdoors on this heart-healthy excursion through Euclid Creek Reservation.
10 – 11 a.m. ECR
Highland Picnic Area
Terrain: natural surface, hills, 1 mile
440-473-3370

Discovery Days: Turtle Travels
Turtles may not travel far, but let’s learn why they do travel. We’ll share discoveries, stories, sing a song and spend time outdoors.
11 a.m. – noon CWC
Age: 3 – 6 years with adult or in-home daycare provider
Register by phone or online 216-341-1707

26 • THURSDAY

Hikathon: High and Dry
Join Naturalist Marty Calabrese on a technical deep-woods hike through the forests of Royalview. Hike canceled if trail is closed.
Check twitter.com/CMPmtb for trail condition updates.
8 – 10:30 a.m. MSRR
Royalview Reserved Picnic Area
Terrain: rocky, dirt trails, 5.5 miles
440-734-6660

Outdoor Adventures for Homeschoolers: Mountain Biking
Discover how fun, yet challenging mountain biking can be while learning with certified instructors from Cleveland Metroparks Outdoor Recreation. Bicycles provided.
10 a.m. – noon or 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. BeR
Ebey Picnic Area
Age: grades 6 – 8
Terrain: natural surface trails, hills, 2 miles
Fee: $15
Register online beginning September 1
440-526-1012

Outdoor Adventures for Homeschoolers: Biking
Learn how to do an ABC bike safety check, then bike along the hilly and beautiful All Purpose Trail. All participants must bring their own bicycle.
10 a.m. – noon or 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. BeR
Ebey Picnic Area
Age: grades 3 – 5
Terrain: paved trail, hills, 2 miles
Register online beginning September 1
440-526-1012

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27 • FRIDAY

Birding the River
We will search for birds in the meadows and forests along the Chagrin River. Bring your own binoculars, some available to borrow. 10 – 11 a.m. NCR
Roger’s Road parking lot
Terrain: natural surfaces, 1 – 1.5 miles
440-473-3370

Picture Perfect Walk
Do you enjoy taking photos and exploring nature? Join Naturalist Mario Jackson on a hike around Garfield Park Reservation to capture flora and fauna.
12:30 – 2:30 p.m. GPR
Garfield Park Center parking lot
Terrain: moderate, some hills, 2.5 miles
216-341-1707

Meet the Trailblazers: Serge the Voyager
(see feature block)
7 – 8 p.m. NCNC

Tiger Tracks Overnight
Details and registration
7 p.m. – 10 a.m. CMZ

28 • SATURDAY

Emerald Hike
Celebrate Public Lands Appreciation Day with a hike through one gem in our Emerald Necklace. We’ll enjoy the outdoors, learn about our forests and streams, and brush up on some history of Cleveland Metroparks.
9 – 11 a.m. WCR
Dentzler Road Trailhead
Terrain: natural surface, rugged hills, 3 miles
440-887-1968

Autumn Watercolor Workshop
Let the signs of the season inspire your artistic side. Naturalist Stefanie Verish will guide you in a fall-themed watercolor painting. Not a member?
Sign up at clevelandmetroparks.com/ENAC
9 – 11:30 a.m. SCR
Look About Lodge
Age: adults
Fee: $20; ENAC: $17
Register online
August 20 – September 18
440-473-3370

The Scoop on Dunk
Join Naturalist Marty Calabrese on a 100-foot ascent to the depths of the Devonian time period. We’ll dig into the details of Dunkleosteus along the hike. This armored fish swam the ancient sea which covered most of Ohio.
10 – 11 a.m. RRNC
Terrain: stairs, possible mud, 1.5 miles

Fruits of Fall
As plant life passes from maturity to senescence, their fruits come to the fore. Some are dry, papery or hard, and some juicy and colorful. After an indoor introduction, let’s explore the outdoors to find nature’s fruits.
10 – 11:30 a.m. WSC
Terrain: paved, natural surfaces, mostly flat, 1.5 miles

Towpath Trail Tour: Extended
Historical Interpreter Doug Kusak is your guide on an extended northern cart tour of Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation. We’ll discuss the history of the park, area geography, watersheds, trails, industry and nature. Thirty minutes indoors followed by two hours on the cart.
10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. CWC
Fee: $10
Register online
beginning September 3

Scouts BSA Merit Badge: Insect Study Part I
Join our certified merit badge counselors for an interactive program designed to provide scouts an opportunity to complete requirements 1-8 and 11-13 of this merit badge. Participants must attend both parts (Part II on 9/29).
Noon – 4 p.m. WSC
Age: scouts with adult
Terrain: paved, natural surfaces, 1.5 miles
Fee: $20 (includes both parts)
Register online
by September 20

Changing Seasons Hike
Take a walk with a naturalist around Rocky River Nature Center to learn about how nature is changing this month.
1 – 2 p.m. RRNC
Terrain: flat, natural surface, 1 mile

Nature Journaling
Experience nature through the seasons. We will record our observations in a journal of our own creation. You may want to bring a camera.
1 – 3 p.m. SCR
Look About Lodge
Age: adults
Annual fee: $20 for supplies
Terrain: natural surfaces, stairs, 0.5 – 1 mile
Register online
August 20 – September 25
440-473-3370

Make and Take Microscope
Build and take home your own pocket size microscope and open your world up to exploration on a microscopic level. After we make our scopes, we’ll hit the trail to see what tiny wonders we can discover.
1 – 3 p.m. NCNC
Age: 8 years & over with adult
Fee $5 (microscope kit)
Terrain: paved, up to 0.5 mile
Register online
August 20 – September 26
440-473-3370

North Chagrin Nature Photography Contest and Show Reception
Be the first to see this year’s photography show entries and winners. Light refreshments will be provided.
1 – 3 p.m. NCNC

Flats Trails Hike
Let’s hike along the Cuyahoga River on the northern most portion of the Towpath Trail. We’ll look at the wildflowers and see what birds are in the area.
1 – 3 p.m. LR
Merwin’s Wharf
Terrain: paved, 2 miles
216-206-1000

Tiger Tracks Overnight
Details and registration
7 p.m. – 10 a.m. CMZ
Cleveland Metroparks Outdoor Recreation offers a series of year-round programs from introductory experiences and skills classes to advanced trips and certification courses. These class levels allow novices interested in an activity to gain the skills and knowledge to safely and confidently participate in these activities on their own while still challenging the avid recreationist.

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| BACKPACKING                       |       |            |            |      |       |       |
| Buckeye Trail Series              | Thu   | Sept 19    | 6 – 8 p.m. | NCR  | 10+*  | Free  |
| Backcountry Gourmet Cooking       | Thu   | Oct 24     | 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | NCR | 14+*  | $15.00|
| Dolly Sods Pre-trip               | Tue   | Sept 24 & Oct 1 | 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. | GPC | Adults | $275.00|

| CLIMBING                          |       |            |            |      |       |       |
| Rock Climbing 1: Top Rope & Belay | Thu   | Sept 12    | 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. | HiR | 14+*  | $45.00|
| Rock Climbing: Anchor Building 1  | Thu   | Sept 26    | 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. | CWC | 14+*  | $20.00|
| Rock Climbing: Anchor Building 2  | Sat   | Sept 28    | 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. | HiR | 14+*  | $40.00|
| Rock Climbing Skills Session      | Sat   | Sept 28    | 1:30 – 4 p.m. | HiR  | 10+*  | $20.00|

| CYCLING                           |       |            |            |      |       |       |
| Try-It: Mountain Biking (1 hr. sessions) | Mon | Sept 9   | 4 – 8 p.m. | BeR  | 10+*  | $5.00 |
| Mountain Biking 1: Balance & Control | Mon | Sept 23  | 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. | BeR | 14+*  | $15.00|

| FISHING                           |       |            |            |      |       |       |
| Fly Fishing for Steelhead         | Sun   | Oct 27     | 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. | RRNC | 14+*  | $25.00|
| Steelhead Fly Fishing Excursion   | Sun   | Oct 27     | 1:30 – 7 p.m. | RRNC | 14+*  | $75.00|

| KAYAKING                          |       |            |            |      |       |       |
| Try-It: Kayaking (1 hr. sessions) | Tue   | Sept 3     | 3:30 – 7:30 p.m. | HiR  | 10+*  | $5.00 |
| Kayaking 1: Basic Strokes         | Tue   | Sept 10    | 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. | HiR  | 14+*  | $45.00|
|                                   | Sun   | Sept 29    | 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. | Offsite | 14+* | $45.00|
| Kayaking 2: Rescues               | Tue   | Sept 17    | 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. | HiR  | 14+*  | $45.00|
|                                   | Sun   | Oct 20     | 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. | Offsite | 14+* | $45.00|
| Presque Isle Paddling Day Trip    | Sat   | Sept 7     | 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. | GPC  | All ages* | $95.00|

| SAILING                           |       |            |            |      |       |       |
| Sailing 2: Skippering             | Tue   | Sept 3, 10 & 17 | 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. | LR  | 14+*  | $125.00|
| Try-It: Sailing (1 hr. sessions)   | Sun   | Sept 8     | 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. | LR  | Adult | $10.00|
| Family Learn to Sail              | Sun   | Sept 8     | 3:30 – 6 p.m. | LR  | All ages* | $35.00|

| (SUP) STAND UP PADDLEBOARDING     |       |            |            |      |       |       |
| SUP 1: Strokes                    | Tue   | Sept 10    | 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. | HIR | 10+*  | $35.00|
|                                  | Tue   | Sept 17    | 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. | HIR | 10+*  | $35.00|

| YOUTH SPECIFIC PROGRAMS          |       |            |            |      |       |       |
| Adventure Seeker Series           | Wed   | Sept 11 – Nov 6 | 4 – 6 p.m. | Varies | 10 – 15 | $75.00|

| RACES/EVENTS                     |       |            |            |      |       |       |
| Bedford XC Mountain Bike Race     | Sat   | Sept 7     | 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. | BeR  | 6+*   | $0 – 35|
| Ledges to Lake Adventure Race    | Sat   | Sept 21    | 7:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. | HiR  | 6+*   | $0 – 100|

** Fee includes all equipment needed to participate.

To register, please visit clevelandmetroparks.com/or

Adaptive
Use your upper body to pedal a handcycle, or enjoy a slow paced hike as well as learn some camp cooking tips during these programs specifically designed for people with disabilities.

Backpacking
Learn the art of backpacking under experienced backpackers through a series of programs to multi-day trips where education and helping you gain the skills to backpack on your own is the goal.

Climbing
Take your rock climbing skills outside to natural rock as you learn how to set anchors as well as climbing techniques.

Cycling
Learn the essential skills to feel confident on a mountain bike during these beginner level classes.

Fishing
Discover fly fishing in the Rocky River under the guidance of Jeff Liskay as you learn about the best rig, casting techniques, and ways to find the best steelhead fishing locations.

Kayaking
Learn efficient strokes and rescue techniques that will prepare you for paddling on longer trips or tours.

Presque Isle Paddling Trip
Discover by kayak or stand up paddleboard Pennsylvania’s only “seashore,” a 32,000-acre peninsula offering wildlife and historical exploration.

Sailing
Embrace Cleveland’s Community Sailing Programs during our series of classes focused on learning basic sailing skills.

Stand Up Paddleboarding
Gain confidence standing on a board before learning basic strokes and maneuvers.

Youth Adventure Seeker Series
Learn a variety of outdoor recreation skills from kayaking and rock climbing to mountain biking, navigation, and camp cooking during this 5-week long adventure series.

Races & Events
Bedford XC Mountain Bike Race
Gather at Bedford for a fast, closed course race with fun descents and hard climbs utilizing Bedford Singletrack, park roads, and all-purpose trail sections.

Ledges to Lake Adventure Race
Combine your passion for running, kayaking, and cycling in the 8th annual Ledges to Lake Adventure Race. The course is perfect for both beginners and advanced racers.

Royalview Rumble
Enjoy a difficult 4.25-mile trail run before transitioning to the 6-mile mountain bike leg on natural surface singletrack.