

2024 Public Program Calendar – January

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538 Emery Road, Dingmans Ferry, PA, 18328

Painting with Light Saturday, January 6th \$10 per child 10am-12pm

Join artist Pam Rice in making artwork using sunlight in different ways. Children will make cyanotype artworks using leaves, feathers, and dried flowers as elements in sun painting compositions, as well as create shadow drawings of fall plant life. *Ideal for ages 6-10* Please call to register.

Scenes of the Season: Paint & Sip

Sunday , January 14^h

\$25 per person

12pm-3pm

Experience an afternoon of seasonal splendor as you create a winter landscape painting with artist Terry Kloiber, and sip on some delicious seasonal (non-alcoholic) beverages perfect for a chilly winter day. Cost of program includes materials and refreshments. Space is limited to 12 participants. *Ideal for ages 13+* Please call to register.

Martin Luther King Jr. Volunteer Service Day

Monday, January 15th

Free

9am-12pm

Take part in this National Day of Service by participating in various volunteer projects on PEEC's campus. This is a great opportunity to earn some hours for volunteer service requirements for school or other organizations. Hot beverages and assorted snacks will be provided. **Pre-registration is required.**

BTG: Intro to Orienteering

Saturday, January 20th

Free

1pm-3pm

Come learn how to use a map & compass on our orienteering course. We'll show you the basics before you try to find all the points. Space is limited – call early. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation*. Please call to register.

Delicious Dumplings Cooking Class

Saturday, January 20th

\$25 per person

10am-1pm

Learn to make dumplings from scratch! Experiment with a variety of fillings, shapes, and preparations. Class will include lunch to take home and a pair of chopsticks.

Class is recommended for ages 13 and up Pre-registration is required.

Wacky Science Adventures- Biology Edition

Sunday, January 21st

\$8 per child

10am-12pm

Put on your lab coats and prepare to conduct some crazy experiments! You'll get to create your very own slime, oobleck, and attempt to launch a rocket into space. Please call to register.



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EcoZone Discovery Room!

Sunday, January 21st

\$3 per person

1pm-4pm

Climb into a bald eagle's nest, crawl into a bat cave, explore a beaver lodge, and dig in a fossil pit! Explore this indoor discovery room and enjoy hands-on exhibits on natural history, sustainability and the local environment. No registration required.

Winter Birds at Pine Island

Sunday, January 21st

\$25 per person

1pm-6pm

Join us on a trip north in search of migratory species as well as rare wintering birds. Visit the hamlet of Pine Island New York to look for winter residents and nesting pairs. Bring a lunch, camera & warm clothes. *Payment is due at registration* Call to reserve a seat in the van – Maximum of 18 spaces.

Bridge the Gap: Winter Survival

Saturday, January 27th

Free

1pm-3pm

Learn the basics of outdoor survival and weather preparedness. Build a shelter, try your hand at starting a fire, and learn other useful skills for wintertime in the outdoors. *This program is best suited for individuals aged 12 and up* Please call to register.

Bridge the Gap: Bird Bonanza

Sunday, January 28th

Free

10am-12pm

Spend the morning watching our feeders and putting together your own unique and custom bird feeder from a variety of recycled materials. We'll provide everything you need, but you are welcome to bring your own supplies. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation* Please call to register.

Bridge the Gap: EcoZone Discovery Room!

Sunday, January 28th

Free

1pm-4pm

Climb into a bald eagle's nest, crawl into a bat cave, explore a beaver lodge, and dig in a fossil pit! Explore this indoor discovery room and enjoy hands-on exhibits on natural history, sustainability and the local environment. No registration required. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation*

Taco Tuesday: Street Taco Cooking Class

Tuesday, January 30th

\$25 per person

5pm-8pm

Celebrate Taco Tuesday by learning to make an assortment of street tacos! Mix things up with a variety of meats, vegetables, and seasonings to bring your taco night to the next level! Class includes all materials and recipes, and dinner to take home!

Pre-registration is required. *Class is recommended for ages 13 and up*



TO REGISTER FOR A PROGRAM:

Call PEEC at 570.828.2319

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Email at peec@peec.org

Be prepared!

Before starting a program, make sure to....
Use Restroom
Have a Backpack
Fill your Water Bottle
Apply Sunscreen



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Bridge the Gap: Intro to Orienteering

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10am-12pm

Come learn how to use a map & compass on our orienteering course. We'll show you the basics before you try to find all the points. Space is limited – call early. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation.* Please call to register.

Migrating Birds: Children's Art Workshop

Saturday, February 3rd

\$10 per child

10am-12pm

Join artist Pam Rice for this exciting activity that will discuss which birds we will soon see migrating through. We will talk about their nests, the food they like to eat, the color of their eggs, and so on. We will then make our own mixed media birds using cardboard and paint. *Ideal for ages 6-10* Please call to register.

Bridge the Gap: Animal Tracking & Stalking

Sunday, February 4th

Free

10am-12pm

Look for animal tracks & signs, learn how to identify animals via their footprints, and how animals adapt to stalk and hunt their prey.

Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation. Please call to register.

EcoZone Discovery Room!

Sunday, February 4th

\$3 per person

1pm-4pm

Climb into a bald eagle's nest, crawl into a bat cave, explore a beaver lodge, and dig in a fossil pit! Explore this indoor discovery room and enjoy hands-on exhibits on natural history, sustainability and the local environment. No registration required.

Eagle Watch Saturday, February 10th

\$25 per person 9am-3pm

Join us on a trip north in search of eagles and other rare wintering birds. Visit the Mongaup Reservoir, the Delaware River, & the Lackawaxen River to look for winter residents and nesting pairs. Bring a lunch, camera & warm clothes. Call to reserve a seat in the van – Maximum of 18 spaces.

Winter Ecology Hike

Saturday, February 10th

10am-12pm

\$5 per person

All area

Learn how different plants and animals survive the winter. Join us on a hike and experience PEEC in the wintertime. All ages welcome. Please call to register.

Korean Cooking Class

Saturday, February 10th

\$25 per person

10am-1pm

Experience a new world of flavor as you learn to create traditional Korean dishes and spreads. In this class you will prepare a banchan spread, jap chae, and a bibimbap rice bowl. Class includes all supplies, a pair of chopsticks to take home, and lunch. Preregistration is required. *Class is recommended for ages 13 and up*



Looking for a way to support PEEC?

Become a Friend of PEEC and enjoy discounts on our programs. There are many levels from which to choose!

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BTG: Intro to Snowshoeing

Free

Sunday, February 11th 10am-12pm

Learn the basics of snowshoeing and enjoy a winter walk through the woods. No experience necessary – we provide the equipment and teach you everything you need to know. Register early to reserve a pair of snowshoes & guarantee a spot. Check our Facebook page for pop-up availability. Nature Photography will be offered as an alternative program in the event of no snow. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation. *

President's Day Family Camp Weekend

February 16th-19th

Adults \$260 / 10% off ages 11-13/ 25% off ages 7-10 / 50% off ages 4-6 / Free ages 3 & under

Bring your friends and family to experience PEEC in the wintertime. Plenty of programs to pick from, such as cross country skiing, animal tracking, nature hikes, campfire and more! Price includes three nights of lodging and meals from Friday dinner through Monday lunch. Join us for a wonderful winter weekend! Commuter and day rates available - call for details.

Frozen Waterfall Tour Saturday, February 24th \$10 per person 9am-12pm

The Delaware Water Gap has quite a few waterfalls within the park that all flow into the Delaware River. Join us for the morning as we check out some of the larger and well known falls in the park. *Payment is due at registration* Spaces are limited so call early!

Vegan Board Game Dinner

Saturday, February 24th

\$45 per person/ \$25 for children 10 and under

5pm Games Start, 6pm Dinner Served

PEEC is pleased to announce our 6th annual Vegan Board Game Dinner! Play board games and unleash your competitive spirit as you enjoy a fantastic meal with all plant-based ingredients. Not a vegan? Not a problem! Bring the whole family for a fun and exciting evening. Payment required at registration. Call early to reserve your seats. Limited Spaces!

Wacky Science Adventures: Physics Edition

\$8 per child

Sunday, February 25th

10am-12pm

Put on your lab coats and prepare to conduct some crazy experiments! You'll get to build your own rocket, create a cushion for an egg, and more. Prepare to get your hands a little dirty! Great for kids! Please call to register.

Bridge the Gap: EcoZone Discovery Room!

Free

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Climb into a bald eagle's nest, crawl into a bat cave, explore a beaver lodge, and dig in a fossil pit! Explore this indoor discovery room and enjoy hands-on exhibits on natural history, sustainability and the local environment. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation.* No registration required.



Save the Date! Saturday, April 27th

Earth Day Festival

Workshop Leaders Wanted!

Have a skill set you're looking to promote? PEEC is looking for photographers, crafters, and plant & animal experts to lead public programs at our facility.



2024 Public Program Calendar – March

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Sugar Shack Scramble

Saturday, March 2nd and Sunday, March 3rd

\$15 per person

9am-12:00pm

Join us for a short hike through the woods out to the "Two Saps" Sugar Shack. Afterwards, enjoy hot cocoa and pancakes with fresh maple syrup at our Dining Hall! Sign up for 9am or 9:30am start time. Spaces are limited!

Recycled Bee Houses: Children's Art Workshop

Saturday, March 2nd

\$10 per child

1pm-3pm

Join artist Pam Rice for this two-hour workshop. We will learn how solitary bees use hollow stems to lay their cocoons. We will draw the different bees that call PEEC home, and children will make a gift for the bees by upcycling a variety of objects into a bee house. All materials will be provided. Ideal for ages 6-10. Please call to register.

EcoZone Discovery Room!

Saturday, March 2nd

\$3 per person

1pm-4pm

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Winter Survival Sunday, March 3rd \$5 per person 1pm-3pm

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Bridge the Gap: Bird Bonanza

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10am-12pm

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EcoZone Discovery Room!

Sunday, March 10th

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1pm-4pm

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Custom Cake Decorating Class

Tuesday, March 12th

\$25 per person

5pm-8pm

Learn to make and decorate a custom miniature cake! In this class you will learn various techniques in decorating with frosting, and how to use tips to create different shapes, swirls, and flowers. Class includes all material, ingredients, and a four inch layer cake to take home! *Class is recommended for ages 13 and up*. Pre-registration is required.

Bread Bonanza Baking Class

Saturday, March 23rd

\$25 per person

10am-1pm

"Rise" and shine for this exciting lesson on making your own bread from scratch! In this class you will learn to make banana bread, breakfast pastries, dinner rolls, and Easter bread. You will also learn how to make your own butter. Class includes all materials and supplies as well as your baked goods to take home. *Class is recommended for ages 13 and up*. Pre-registration is required.



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Bridge the Gap: Frog Frolic

Free

Sunday, March 24th
1pm-3pm

Spend the afternoon with us at our ponds and streams! Learn about some of our frog friends as we gently catch and release these hopping amphibians. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation*. Wear boots and plan on getting wet and muddy. Please call to register.

Bridge the Gap: Woodcock Walk

Free

Sunday, March 24th 6:30pm-8pm

Join us for a walk to see the mysterious woodcock and its spectacular springtime mating display. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation.* Bring a flashlight for better searching!



"Not all that wander are lost."

-J.R.R. Tolkien



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Painting with Natural Dyes

Saturday, April 6th

\$10 per child

10am-12pm

Join artist Pam Rice in learning how to create paints and dyes from natural pigments found in nature. Children will experiment with the dye making process, then make artworks using brushes made from other natural materials *Ideal for ages 6-10* Please call to register.

Bridge the Gap: Frogs, Salamanders, & More!

Saturday, April 6th 10am-12pm

Free

Spend the afternoon with us at our ponds and streams! Learn about some of our amphibious friends as we gently catch and release these slimy critters. Wear boots and plan on getting wet and muddy. Please call to register.

Bridge the Gap: EcoZone Discovery Room!

Saturday, April 6th

Free

1pm-4pm

Climb into a bald eagle's nest, crawl into a bat cave, explore a beaver lodge, and dig in a fossil pit! Explore this indoor discovery room and enjoy hands-on exhibits on natural history, sustainability and the local environment. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation. * No registration required.

Bridge the Gap: Pond Paddle

Sunday, April 7th

Free

1pm-3pm

Join us for a paddle around our ponds! Beginners are welcome – we teach you everything you need to know! Dress appropriately – you may get wet. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation.* Call in advance to reserve a boat.

Bridge the Gap Spring Peeper Search

Friday, April 12th

Free

7:30pm-9pm

These tiny tree frogs have thawed out and are active again in our forested wetlands. Listen to the impressive choir made by these vocal amphibians as we carefully catch, study, and release them. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation*.

Bring a flashlight for better searching! Please call to register.

Girl Scout Badge Festival

Saturday, April 13th

\$25 Full Day

9:30am-4pm

Brownies will complete their Bugs and Outdoor Art badges. Juniors will complete their Gardener Badge. Cadettes will complete their Tree and Outdoor Art badges. Seniors will be working on their Eco Advocate badge. Overnight options are available for all age levels, ask for more information! Payment is required at registration. Space is limited - call early! Don't forget to bring a lunch.

Mediterranean Cooking Class

Saturday, April 13th

\$25 per person

10am-1pm

Plan a vacation for your taste buds as you learn to create traditional Mediterranean fare! In this class you will make a Falafel Platter (falafel, Israeli salad, homemade pita, babaganoush, and hummus), as well as a "Shawarma" style chicken. Class includes all supplies and lunch. *Class is recommended for ages 13 and up* Pre-registration is required.

Don't forget!

Sci-Q Applications due date:

April 27th



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Scenes of the Season: Paint & Sip

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EcoZone Discovery Room!

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\$3 per person

1pm-4pm Climb into a bald eagle's nest, crawl into a bat cave, explore a beaver lodge, and dig in a fossil pit! Explore this indoor discovery room and enjoy hands-on exhibits on natural history, sustainability and the local environment. No registration required.

BSA Scouts Badge Festival

Saturday, April 20th

\$25 Full Day

9:30am-4pm

Bears will work on the Insect Study merit badge. Weblelos will complete their Mammal Study merit badge. Scouts will work towards their Reptile & Amphibian Study merit badge. Payment is required at registration. Space is limited - call early! Don't forget to bring a lunch.

Bridge the Gap: Evening Pond Paddle

Saturday, April 20th

5pm-7pm

Join us for a paddle around our ponds! Beginners are welcome – we teach you everything you need to know! Dress appropriately – you may get wet. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation.* Call in advance to reserve a boat.

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"The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it."

-Robert Swan



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Bridge the Gap: Salamanders, Frogs, and More!

Saturday, April 21st

Free

1pm-3pm

Amphibians are stirring in the woods! Join us as we explore nearby breeding pools for salamanders, frogs, and egg masses. We'll provide nets and collection jars for gentle, up-close study. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation* Wear boots and clothes that can get muddy or wet. Please call to register.

Pocono Fiber Arts Retreat April 25th –28th

\$300 Full Workshop

Spend a relaxing weekend creating and conversing with the PEEC Stitchers! Bring your own in progress projects, or join in and learn how to make something new. A materials list for the weekend will be provided. Includes lodging and meals! Please call to register

Bridge the Gap: Edible & Medicinal Plant Walk

Saturday, April 27th

\$15 per person

10am-12pm

Join the Botanical Hiker, Heather Houskeeper, in discovering the many edible and medicinal plants that inhabit our region. Heather will share tips for positive identification, methods for sustainable harvest, and practical ways to work with these plants for food and medicine. You're sure to meet these plants again in your own backyard or along other favorite walking paths. Our walk will be easy to moderate in nature with many stops along the way and appropriate for all ages. Feel free to bring a notepad or use your phone to jot down notes! No collecting will be done in the Park. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation* Please call to register.

Earth Day Festival\$5 per car **Saturday, April 27th 11am-4pm**

Help us celebrate the Earth! There will be hands-on learning stations, interpretive hikes, conservation exhibits, crafts, food, music, and much more! Pre-registration is NOT required.



Attention All Artisans!

PEEC is looking for crafters, photographers, artists, and local businesses interested in selling their wares at our festivals. Our Earth Day & Harvest Festivals are an opportunity to show off your skills and sell your products at a large event.



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Birds and Brews

Friday, May 3rd - Sunday, May 5th

\$230 per person/ Call for commuter & day rates

Spring migration has begun! Join us for a wonderful weekend of bird watching and beer tasting. Enjoy guided hikes that teach how to identify birds by sight, sound and habitat. Program is geared towards beginners and experts alike. Saturday night we'll provide beverages from local breweries while you enjoy our campfire! Includes two nights of lodging and meals from Friday dinner through Sunday lunch. Pre-registration is required.

Bridge the Gap: Pond Paddle

Saturday, May 4th

Free

10am-12pm

Join us for a paddle around our ponds! Beginners are welcome – we teach you everything you need to know! Dress appropriately – you may get wet. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation.* Call in advance to reserve a boat.

EcoZone Discovery Room!

Saturday, May 4th

\$3 per person

1pm-4pm

Climb into a bald eagle's nest, crawl into a bat cave, explore a beaver lodge, and dig in a fossil pit! Explore this indoor discovery room and enjoy hands-on exhibits on natural history, sustainability and the local environment. No registration required.

Bridge the Gap: Intro to Orienteering

Sunday, May 5th 10am-12pm

Free

Come learn how to use a map & compass on our orienteering course. We'll show you the basics before you try to find all the points. Space is limited - call early. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation.* Please call to register.

Native Plant Sale!

Saturday May 11th & Sunday May 12th

Free admission

Choose from a variety of native and deer resistant flowers and grasses to beautify your yard at our annual plant sale! Sun loving and shade loving plants will be available. Sold out in 2021! PEEC Members will be able to join us for a pre-sale on May 10th from 5 – 7pm.

Bridge the Gap: Frog Frolic

Saturday, May 11th

1pm-3pm

Spend the afternoon with us at our ponds and streams! Learn about some of our frog friends as we gently catch and release these hopping amphibians. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation* Wear boots and plan on getting wet and muddy. Please call to register.

Bridge the Gap: Edible & Medicinal Plant Walk

Saturday, May 18th

\$15 per person

10am-12pm

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VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS NEEDED AND APPRECIATED

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Warbler Weekend

Saturday May 18th & Sunday May 19th

\$30 per person, per day

7am-4pm

Join one us for one or both of these guided birding excursions in search of various warbler species migrating through our area. Bring a lunch, camera & sunscreen. Call to reserve a seat in the van - Maximum of 18 spaces.

Bridge the Gap: Frog Frolic

Sunday, May 19th

Free

10am-12pm

Spend the morning with us at our ponds and streams! Learn about some of our frog friends as we gently catch and release these hopping amphibians. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation* Wear boots and plan on getting wet and muddy. Please call to register.

Create your own Walking Stick

Sunday, May 19th

\$35 per person

12pm-3pm

Spend the afternoon with us as we create handcrafted walking sticks. Wood, tools, gloves, and aprons will be provided, as well as suggestions and pointers on how to personalize your work. Payment is due upon registration. Pre-registration required.

EcoZone Discovery Room!

Sunday, May 19th

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1pm-4pm

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Memorial Day Family Camp Weekend

Friday, May 24th - Monday, May 27th

Adults \$260 / 10% off ages 11-13/ 25% off ages 7-10 / 50% off ages 4-6 / Free ages 3 & under

Bring your family and friends to experience the best of what PEEC has to offer! Interpretive hikes, animal presentations, canoeing, campfire and more! Includes three nights of lodging and meals from Friday dinner through Monday lunch.

Plant ID 101

Saturday, May 25th

10am-12pm

\$20 per person

Join the Botanical Hiker Heather Houskeeper for this introductory botany lesson! This program will cover how to key out a plant using Newcomb's Wildflower Guide, followed by time outside utilizing our plant keys to identify the plants that you see. Guide books and magnifying loupes will be provided for the class. Please call to register.



"When one tugs at a single thing in nature, he finds it attached to the rest of the world." -John Muir

Save the Date! Saturday, August 13th **Farm to Table Dinner**



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Bridge the Gap: Pond Paddle

Saturday, June 1st

Free

10am-12pm

Join us for a paddle around our ponds! Beginners are welcome – we teach you everything you need to know! Dress appropriately – you may get wet. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation.* Call in advance to reserve a boat.

EcoZone Discovery Room!

Saturday, June 1st

\$3 per person

1pm-4pm

Climb into a bald eagle's nest, crawl into a bat cave, explore a beaver lodge, and dig in a fossil pit! Explore this indoor discovery room and enjoy hands-on exhibits on natural history, sustainability and the local environment. No registration required.

Bridge the Gap: Fishing for Beginners

Sunday, June 2nd

Free

9am-12pm

There are plenty of fish waiting to be caught in our ponds! Spend the morning learning some of the basics for fishing with a rod and reel and see how many you can get. Strictly catch and release! Call ahead to reserve your spot. Participants over 16 must have a valid fishing license. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation.* Please call to register.

Bridge the Gap: River Paddle

Saturday, June 8th

\$20 per person

9am-3pm

Join us for a paddle down the Delaware! Bring a lunch, a water bottle, and don't forget to dress for the weather. We will provide extra water and snacks. Choose between a canoe or kayak. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation.*

Preregistration is required and begins at 8:30am on May 6^h.

Nature at Night

Saturday, June 8th

\$5 per person

8pm-9:30pm

A pleasant summer evening is the perfect time to head outside. Take a walk in the woods to listen for owls, look at stars, and enjoy the music of the night. Enjoy fun activities that test your night vision. We recommend you bring a flashlight! Please call to register.

Frogs, Salamanders, & More!

Sunday, June 9th

\$5 per person

10am-12pm

Spend the morning with us at our ponds and streams! Learn about some of our frog friends as we gently catch and release these hopping amphibians. Wear boots and plan on getting wet and muddy. Please call to register.

Bug Exploration

Sunday, June 9th

\$5 per person

1pm-3pm

Bugs are everywhere! Come join us as we go exploring to find as many as possible. Don't worry, they won't bite or sting you. Please call to register.

Bridge the Gap: Edible & Medicinal Plant Walk

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10am-12pm

Join the Botanical Hiker, Heather Houskeeper, in discovering the many edible and medicinal plants that inhabit our region. Heather will share tips for positive identification, methods for sustainable harvest, and practical ways to work with these plants for food and medicine. You're sure to meet these plants again in your own backyard or along other favorite walking paths. Our walk will be easy to moderate in nature with many stops along the way and appropriate for all ages. Feel free to bring a notepad or use your phone to jot down notes! No collecting will be done in the Park. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation*. Please call to register.









2024 Public Program Calendar – June

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Geology Hike

Saturday, June 15th

\$5 per person

1pm-3pm

Take a hike on the Fossil Trail with Paul Kovalski, aka Dr. Dinosaur, as we discuss the geology of our area and what makes our park unique. Please call to register.

Bridge the Gap: Evening Pond Paddle

Sunday, June 16th

Free

5pm-7pm

Join us for a paddle around our ponds! Beginners are welcome – we teach you everything you need to know! Dress appropriately – you may get wet. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation.* Call in advance to reserve a boat.

Plant and Place Connection

Saturday, June 22nd

\$20 per person

10am-12pm

Join the Botanical Hiker, Heather Houskeeper, for a gentle guided walk that utilizes aspects of forest bathing alongside education about edible & medicinal plants, as well as nature journaling. The intention of this program is to cultivate a relationship with the land via interaction/connection with the plants. The program closes with a shared tea. Participants go home with their own nature journal to continue their observations in the natural world. **Nature journals, colored pencils, and pencils are provided.** *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation*. Please call to register.

Frogs, Salamanders, & More!

Saturday, June 22nd

\$5 per person

1pm-3pm

Spend the morning with us at our ponds and streams! Learn about some of our frog friends as we gently catch and release these hopping amphibians. Wear boots and plan on getting wet and muddy. Please call to register.

EcoZone Discovery Room!

Sunday, June 23rd

\$3 per person

1pm-4pm

Climb into a bald eagle's nest, crawl into a bat cave, explore a beaver lodge, and dig in a fossil pit! Explore this indoor discovery room and enjoy hands-on exhibits on natural history, sustainability and the local environment. No registration required.

Bridge the Gap: Fishing for Beginners

Saturday, June 29th

Free

9am-12pm

There are plenty of fish waiting to be caught in our ponds! Spend the morning learning some of the basics for fishing with a rod and reel and see how many you can get. Strictly catch and release! Call ahead to reserve your spot. Participants over 16 must have a valid fishing license. *Lead support is provided by the William Penn Foundation.* Please call to register.

Introduction to Orienteering

Saturday, June 29th

\$5 per person

1pm-3pm

Come learn how to use a map & compass on our orienteering course. We'll show you the basics before you try to find all the points. Space is limited – call early to register.

Wacky Science Adventures: Physics Edition

Sunday, June 30th

\$8 per child

1pm-3pm

Put on your lab coats and prepare to conduct some crazy experiments! You'll get to build your own rocket, create a cushion for an egg, and more. Prepare to get your hands a little dirty! **Great for kids!**

Workshop Leaders Wanted!

Have a skill set you're looking to promote? PEEC is looking for photographers, crafters, and plant & animal experts to lead public programs at our facility.