

# WINTER 2019/2020 PROGRAM GUIDE FEATURED PROGRAMS

# Natural Christmas

#### Saturday, December 14th; 3:00 – 6:00 PM

You deserve to spend a few hours this holiday season surrounded by the natural beauty of The Ridges Sanctuary. Stroll down the softly lit Hidden Brook Boardwalk and join us in our beautifully decorated Kaye Cabin, while sipping on warm cider, eating delicious cookies and listening to holiday music. This program offers a wreath making workshop, holiday crafts, and even treats around an open fire. Guided hikes and Range Light tours are available throughout the event.

Admission to Natural Christmas is FREE.
Wreath making is \$20, which includes materials for 1 wreath.
Additional wreaths and swags are \$10 each.



## Wreath-making Workshop Saturday, December 7th; 1:00 – 4:00 PM

There is a \$20 fee, which includes materials for 1 wreath.

Additional wreaths and swags are \$10 each.

Call 920.839.2802 to reserve your clippers, frames and greens!



### Holiday Luminary Walks

## December 26th - 29th 5:00 - 7:00 PM

The Hidden Brook Boardwalk will remain open until 7:00 pm. Walk the softly lit boardwalk and enjoy the peaceful evening surroundings.

After a tranquil walk down the boardwalk, enjoy a campfire and tasty campfire goodies.

\$5 Trail Fee applies

#### **Special Event**

## 12th Annual Great Waffle Breakfast Saturday, February 1st, from 9:00 - 11:00 AM

We invite you to join the staff and volunteers of The Ridges for the Great Waffle Breakfast. Again, this year, the Baileys Harbor Town Hall will be filled with the aroma of delectable, golden waffles. This is the 12th year for our popular breakfast event! Enjoy your fill of waffles of all shapes and sizes, with Door County maple syrup, homemade cherry topping, whipped cream & sausages!

Donations of \$8 for adults and \$5 for children under 12 are appreciated.

At the Baileys Harbor Town Hall





# FEATURED PROGRAMS

#### 5th ANNUAL February 28th & 29th

# OWL-O-RAMA

#### **Owl Prowl-Nesting Season**

It's nesting season for the owls and they are hooting with a whole new set of calls. Join the Ridges naturalists to learn more about the owls of Door County and the characteristics that make them amazing nighttime hunters. Please wear appropriate winter hiking attire.

Friday, February 28th from 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Fee: \$10 - members • \$13 - public • FREE - under 18

Meet at: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center & carpool to Logan

Creek

#### **Owl Taxidermy Demo**

Master Taxidermist Mike Orthober is well known in his field and has won many national and international awards. He also judges World Taxidermy Championships and teaches others his methods. Mike will be joining us at the Nature Center to demonstrate the delicate art of creating an Owl mount. Stop by the Center to watch Mike bring wildlife to life through taxidermy.

Saturday, February 29th starting at 9:00 AM (ending when he has completed the mount)

Fee: FREE

Location: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center

#### Eastern Screech Owl Nest Box Building

Cavity nesting owls like
Eastern Screech Owls can be
attracted with nesting boxes.
Start your day by building a
nest box and pick up some tips
on where to locate it and when
to put it out.



Saturday, February 29th starting at 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Fee: \$30 members • \$35 public

Location: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center

#### **Owl Meet and Greet**

Get up close and personal with some of Door County's resident owls. Representatives from Open Door Bird Sanctuary will be on hand with birds for you to observe. Drop in any time between 11:00 AM and 2 PM to learn a little bit about what separates these silent night flyers from other raptors and birds.

Saturday, February 29th from 11:00 - 2:00 PM

Fee: FREE

Meet at: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center

#### **Guided Winter Hikes**

#### Sanctuary Guided Hike

Experience The Ridges in a whole new way and a whole new season! These hikes with a Ridges naturalist cover the cultural and natural history of the ridges and swales in their winter season. Enjoy a leisurely hike on level terrain. Participants may always hike in boots or, if sufficient snow cover, may choose snowshoes\*. Hike will end at the Center with a cup of hot chocolate or locally roasted coffee.

January & February; Friday at 1:00 PM and Saturday at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM

Fee: \$5 - members • \$8 - public • FREE - under 18

**Location:** Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center

\*NOTES/SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Some snowshoes available for hike participants – call ahead to reserve. Additional \$5 to rent snowshoes. (If weather does not permit snowshoes, hikes will still proceed.)

#### New Moon Night Sky Hike

There is no better time to observe the stars than during a new moon. Join us for a hike into the night where we look to the sky and observe our great galaxy.

Friday, January 24th at 6:00 PM

Fee: \$5 - members • \$8 - public • FREE - under 18

**Location:** Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center



## LOOKING AHEAD

#### **Backpack Adventure Camp**



Registration for Backpack Adventure Camp opens Monday, March 2 @ 10AM. 5 Sessions starting June 29. Space is Limited to 15 campers per session for Ages 4 - 6 and 16 campers for Ages 7 - 11. REGISTER EARLY!

Detailed information available in February.

WEEK 1: June 29 - July 3

WEEK 2: July 6 - 10

WEEK 3: July 13 - 17

WEEK 4: July 20 - 24

WEEK 5: July 27 - 31

#### Festival of Nature Dates & Registration



#### Save These Dates!

Thursday – Sunday, May 21st – 24th Registration opens Monday, March 16th at 10:00 AM

Brochure available early March.

#### Children's Programming

#### **Tiny Trekkers Nature Play**

Caregiver and child, ages walker to 3 years old

This program is designed to create a foundation of love and respect for the natural world. Active play in nature between caregivers and children provides lasting impressions. Join a Ridges educator in gentle hiking, songs, and endless possibilities for exploration and experimentation.

Mondays 9:00 - 10:15 AM

Cost per Session: \$40 per 4 week session (Session One \$30). Winter Session One: DEC 2 – 16 Theme: Holiday in the Woods

Winter Session Two: JAN 6 – 27 Theme: Snow & Ice Winter Session Three: FEB 3 – 24 Theme: Animals in Winter

#### **Dragonfly Nature Play**

Ages 3 - 6 years old

Children will make new friends, hike the forest and wetlands, explore wildlife in multiple habitats, and play in a rich natural setting. Weekly nature activities will be based on season, weather, and children's interest. Learning will occur



through play, exploration, investigation, discussion, artistic expression, and children's literature.

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 – 11:30 AM

Solstice Camp: December 3rd – 19th (\$150) Winter Session: January 7th – March 19th (\$550)



# CALENDAR

## DECEMBER / JANUARY / FEBRUARY

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☐ Family Plus - \$95 Membership Fee \$ Card #	_ 3-digit code:

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☐ Please contact me about volunteer opportunities.

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Exp Date \_\_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_



# FAMILY CONNECTIONS

#### Solstice Party

Begin the celebration with a reading of *Snow Party* by Harriet Ziefert followed by family fun decorating the front lawn to celebrate the beginning of winter. Decorate pinecones and tree cookies with natural materials and make garlands to hang on our trees. Frost and decorate cookies and enjoy them with some cocoa outside while looking at the stars.

Saturday, December 21st from 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Fee: FREE Suitable for all ages.

Location: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center

#### Pie in the Woods

Let's have a tea and pie party in the woods! Read A Tea Party in the Woods by Akiko Miyakoshi followed by forest animal activities. End the evening with tea and pie just like in the story. Stay for a family hike on the boardwalk lit with luminaria.

Friday, December 27th from 4:00 - 5:30 PM
Fee: FREE Suitable for ages 8 and up
Location: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center

#### **Animal Tracks and Facts**

#### Middle School Outdoor Adventure Program

Ever wonder how animals survive the winter? Join us on a hike through the sanctuary to learn about animal adaptations, behavior, and how to look for signs of life in a wintery wonderland. Stay for hands on activities and hot cocoa in the nature center.

Monday, December 30th from 9:00 - 12:00 PM

Fee: FREE Suitable for ages 11 - 14 Location: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center

#### Sizing Up Winter

No school today. What temperature does the water need to be to dissolve your hot cocoa mix? How long does it take an ice cube to melt? How many birds can fit on a feeder? Answer these questions and more at the Ridges Winter Science and Math day.

Friday, January 24th from 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Fee: FREE Suitable for ages 5 - 10
Location: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center

#### Story Hour



Come join us for **Story Hour** and hot chocolate. You will hear a Ridges staff member read a book about animals and plants that live at The Ridges and make something special to take home.

Saturday mornings in January & February; 10:30 - 11:30 AM

Fee: FREE

Location: Cook-Albert Fuller Nature Center

JANUARY 11 –

**Big Bear Hug** by Nicholas Oldland
Paint with nature paintbrushes made from cedar and sticks.

JANUARY 18 –

**Stranger in the Woods** by Carl Sams
Make pinecone bird feeders with peanut butter and birdseed
(or nut butter) Bring them home or decorate our trees.

JANUARY 25 –

**Best in Snow** by April Sayre Paint with colored ice.

FEBRUARY 1 –

**Groundhog Gets A Say** by Pamela Swallow Make your own groundhog snack complete with shadow.

- FEBUARY 8 No Story Hour
- FEBUARY 15 -

**When the Moon Comes** by Paul Harbridge
Use Oreo cookies to represent the phases of the moon.

FEBUARY 22 –

**The Mitten** by Jan Brett Create fabric mittens.

• FEBUARY 29 -

**Whoo Goes There?** by Jennifer Ericsson Dissect owl pellets and see what they contain.



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