

february 2020

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@ Fresh Pond Reservation
all events are free & open to the public!



Tuesdays
Noon to
1:30pm

Friday
February 7th
1pm to 3pm

Friday
February 14th
11am to Noon

Monday
February 10th
6pm to 7:30pm

PUBLIC PROGRAMMING

Fresh Pond Reservation: Protecting the Cambridge Water Supply Since 1889

Did you know that all of the water is treated on-site? Tours available!
Please read and respect all posted rules; this is a public shared-use area, open green space, and active drinking water reservoir.

Fresh Air Walks

Meets at the Ranger Station, 250 Fresh Pond Parkway (under the clock tower)

These casual walks, led by Ranger Tim, will encompass Fresh Pond and take an informal look at each week in nature, life, and the city. Come alone or bring your co-workers! Rain or shine.
Questions? Contact: tpuopolo@cambridgeMA.gov

Hike & Sketch

Register for meeting location (different target area each month)

In this fun series we share how to create, illustrate and maintain a Naturalist & Field journal. This includes practicing sketching, nature illustration skills, recording field observations, and simply writing about what we see and feel. The series runs the first Friday of the month. Over the year, we explore a few sites of the reservoir and cover ecology, phenology, birds, insects, mammals and the many critters that make the different habitats of Fresh Pond. Please bring your own (portable) art supplies; because space is limited, please RSVP on Eventbrite (<https://bit.ly/33Zo23a>)

Seasonal Walkabout at the Lusitania Meadow

Meets at the "meeting rocks" [where the meadow meets the main trail]

Come out for a seasonal walkabout with Ranger Jean at the Lusitania Wet meadow. We will monitor wildlife by sign, track or presence, and make note of weather, state of plants, condition of water and other abiotic resources. You can help chart the seasonal changes of some of our most active wildlife spots, or simply come to enjoy the walk. Come dressed to be outdoors for the hour. All knowledge levels welcome. We will be walking off-path. Service dogs only, please. To RSVP, please contact Ranger Jean at (508) 562-7605 or email jrogers@cambridgeMA.gov, heavy rain/snow postpones to the following Friday.

Movie Night: "Ice Harvesting in New England"

Meets inside the Water Treatment Plant (front door), 250 Fresh Pond Parkway

What's better than a free movie? Free popcorn! Did you know that Fresh Pond was once home to the Fresh Pond Ice Company? This is a compilation of black and white footage of workers harvesting ice for New England's rich industry in the pre-refrigeration days with historian commentary explaining the ins-and-outs of the ice-cutting days. The footage captured in this film reflects what the local history of ice in Cambridge and Massachusetts looked like [Runtime: 66 min.] tpuopolo@cambridgeMA.gov for more information.

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Thursday
February 13th
6:30pm to 8pm

“Living with Coyotes” Presentation

Meets inside the Water Treatment Plant (front door), 250 Fresh Pond Parkway

Did you know that there are coyotes at Fresh Pond in Cambridge? Former Animal Control Officer and Massachusetts’ Representative for Project Coyote, John Maguranis has been able to get up close with these increasingly common animals. Join us for an evening of photos, data, and information about North America’s most adaptable and misunderstood predator. Topics include diet, behavior, tracking, hazing, pet and human safety, and much more.

Wednesday
February 19th
10:30am to
11:30am

Humorous Stories from the Pond

School Vacation Week!

Meets at the Maynard Ecology Center (back building, lower-level), 650 Concord Ave.

Sumner and Linda McClain, professional storytellers from Stories Celebrating Life, present “Humorous Stories from the Pond.” This program for children and families explores the adventures of wildlife at Fresh Pond through the art of storytelling, music, movement, puppetry and audience participation. This program will run two separate times during February school vacation. For questions or directions, contact Ranger Tim at tpuopolo@cambridgeMA.gov.

Thursday
February 20th
1:30pm to
2:30pm

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Also happening in Cambridge...

Wednesday
February 5th
7pm to 8:30pm

Evenings with Experts: “Nature’s Best Hope”

Harvard University Science Center Hall B

Part of Grow Native Massachusetts’ monthly series, this month features Doug Tallamy: Professor of Entomology and Wildlife Biology at the University of Delaware. Recent headlines about global insect declines, the impending extinction of one million species worldwide, and three billion fewer birds in North America are a bleak reality check about how ineffective our current landscape designs have been at sustaining the plants and animals that sustain us. Such losses are not an option if we wish to continue our present-day standard of living on Planet Earth. The good news is that none of this is inevitable. Doug Tallamy will discuss simple steps that each of us can— and must take— to reverse declining biodiversity and to explain why we, ourselves, are nature’s best hope.

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