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Head out with expert guides on scenic birding excursions and trail explorations.

Learn all about owls, maple sugaring and beekeeping.

**Discover ways to reduce** your carbon footprint and green your home.

**Check out Audubon's** new Website for program descriptions, fees, directions, registration details and more! www.asri.org

### Learn more... Audubon has a NEW website!

**Program descriptions, a complete** events calendar, member and non-member fees, directions and registration details are only a click away.

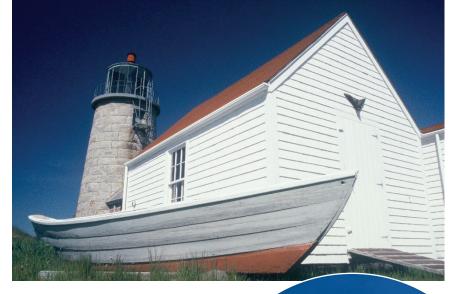
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# **Notice anything different?**

This guide has been redesigned to lessen costs and reduce the natural resources used. Please visit our NEW website for details on all programs and events.



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#### MONHEGAN ISLAND BIRDING TRIP

#### May 19 – 22, 2017

Visit one of the premiere destinations for spring migration in the Northeast. The dramatic seaside cliffs, unspoiled forests, and quaint fishing village provide an amazing birding experience. Highlights in recent years have included Bell's Vireo, Goldenwinged Warbler, Blue Grosbeak, and Summer Tanager. Also included is a cruise around Eastern Egg Rock, the southern most breeding colony for Atlantic Puffins. Departs from Port Clyde, Maine.

#### COMBATING CLIMATE CHANGE: GREENING YOUR HOME

March 2, 2017; 6:30-8:30 pm. Powder Mill Ledges, Smithfield, RI May 3, 2017; 6:30 – 8:30 pm. Environmental Education Center, Bristol, RI

Interested in reducing your carbon footprint, decreasing exposure to toxins and diminishing waste? It can all start here! Learn simple and effective choices to live greener and save money. Learn how to make alternative cleaners and to shop with an eye for the environment. We can all do our part to combat climate change – learn how!

#### **MAPLE SUGARING**

March 4, 2017; 9:00 am-12:00 pm Caratunk Wildlife Refuge, Seekonk, MA Step back in time and experience the history of maple sugaring. Learn how maple sugaring started with the Native Americans and how to make this sweet syrup in your own backyard. Taste this delectable treat over pancakes, muffins and other breakfast treats. Register early at www.asri.org.



# AUDUBON ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

#### 1401 Hope Street (Route 114), Bristol, RI

This 28-acre wildlife refuge is home to the award-winning Audubon Environmental Education Center. All ages enjoy stateof-the-art aquarium and tidepool exhibits as well as year-round guided walks, lectures and family programs. The fields, woods, wetlands and boardwalk to Narragansett Bay present the visitor with a wide variety of habitats for nature study and observation.

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## BIRDING PROGRAMS, LECTURES & WORKSHOPS FOR ADULTS

Audubon Environmental Education Center Advance registration required and fees apply for all programs unless noted.

NATURE'S KALEIDOSCOPE, LEAF ROTATION: PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT BY BRIAN WOOD

January 8 to February 28, 2017; Free with Admission.

FELTED BIRD HOUSES WORKSHOP February 11 & 18, 2017; 2:00-4:00 pm.

**INTRO TO BEEKEEPING – SIX SESSIONS** *March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9, 2017; 2:30-4:30 pm.* 

BUTTERFLIES AND BIRDS: PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT BY RUFUS ABDULLAH March 5 to April 30, 2017. Free with Admission.

DIY: BIRD SEED BAG TOTES OR APRONS March 12, 2017; 1:00-4:00 pm

BIRDING THE NEXT STEP, PART II: TAKING FLIGHT March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11,18, 2017; 6:30-8:00 pm.

ECUADOR: A PHOTOGRAPHIC JOURNEY EXPLORING THE WILDLIFE OF THE ANDES AND GALAPAGOS March 16, 2017; 7:00-8:00 pm.

SEA GLASS JEWELRY WORKSHOP – TWO DATES OFFERED March 18, April 29, 2017; 11:00 am-12:30 pm.

FELTED RABBITS WORKSHOP – MARCH HARES AND EASTER BUNNIES March 25, 2017; 2:00-4:00 pm.

FELTED EGGS AND NESTS WORKSHOP April 8, 2017; 1:30-3:30 pm.

**BIRDING FOR BEGINNERS** – **SIX SESSIONS** *April 15, 22, 29, May 6,13, 20, 2017; 9:30-11:30 am.* 

**URI MASTER GARDENERS SOIL TESTING** *April 1, 2017; 11:00 am-2:00 pm. Free program, no registration required.* 

EDIBLE WILD PLANTS AND MUSHROOMS OF NEW ENGLAND WITH RUSS COHEN *April 26, 2017; 7:00-8:30 pm.* 

PAINT AND SIP – SIGNS OF SPRING April 29, 2017; 6:00-8:00 pm.

COMBATING CLIMATE CHANGE: GREENING YOUR HOME May 3, 2017; 6:30-8:30 pm.

## FAMILY PROGRAMS AT THE AUDUBON ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

#### **CAMOUFLAGED EGG HUNT**

April 8, 2017; 9:30 – 11:00 am.

#### **CITIZENS BANK FREE FAMILY FUN DAYS**

Thanks to Citizens Bank, the Environmental Education Center is open free to the public the first Saturday of every month. Join us for crafts, animal discoveries, hikes and more. No need to register! Visit the events calendar at www.asri.org for details. February 4, 2017 - We Love Birds March 4, 2017 - Awesome Amphibians, Radical Reptiles April 1, 2017 - Gardening is Great May 6, 2017 - Migratory Bird Day

#### **ECO-STORIES AND ART**

February 11, March 25, April 15, 2017; 11:00 am-12:00 pm. No need to register, \$3 materials fee.

FULL MOON FAMILY HIKE FOR FAMILIES March 11, 2017; 6:00 – 7:30 pm.

#### CARNIVOROUS PLANTS: FREE BUILD-A-BOG WORKSHOP FOR KIDS!

April 1, 2017; 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Program is free, advance registration required.

FAIRY AND GNOME GARDENS FOR KIDS April 22, 2017; 2:00-3:30 pm.

Advance registration required and fees apply for the programs listed unless noted.







# **School Vacation Weeks**

# Become a nature explorer!

Head to Audubon during school vacation and meet up with cool critters, dissect a squid, head out on a swamp stomp and more! Special programs and animal interviews are offered each day.

Visit www.asri.org for a complete schedule of events!

> February 20 - 24, 2017 April 17 - 24, 2017

# CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AT THE AUDUBON ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

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JUNIOR NATURALISTS FOR HOME-SCHOOLED FAMILIES February 14, 15, March 14, 15, April 11, 12, 2017; 1:30-3:00 pm.

PRESCHOOL ADVENTURES March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 2017; 9:45-10:45 am.

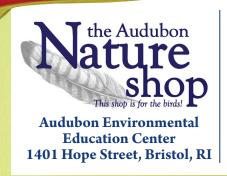
#### LI'L PEEPS

March 16, 23, 30, April 6, 13, 27, 2017; 9:45-10:45 am and 11:00 am-12:00 pm.

Register online at www.asri.org or call (401) 949-5454 ext. 3014



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# POWDER MILL LEDGES WILDLIFE REFUGE

#### 12 Sanderson Road, Smithfield, RI

Over 120 acres with well-marked trails contain stands of pines, a pond and a brook. A joy to hike, this property is also the site of Audubon headquarters.

ARMCHAIR NATURALIST LECTURE SERIES:

SEEDS: February 8, 2017; 6:30-8:00 pm. OWLS OF NEW ENGLAND: March 8, 2017; 6:30-8:00 pm. WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE: April 12, 2017; 6:30 – 8:00 pm.

COMBATING CLIMATE CHANGE: GREENING YOUR HOME March 2, 2017; 6:30 – 8:30 pm.

NAKED TREE I.D. March 18, 2017; 10:00 am-12:00 pm.

WATCHING WOODCOCKS: SUPPER AND SAUNTER April 1, 2017; 6:00 pm-9:00 pm.

PYSANKY EGG DESIGN WORKSHOP

April 15, 2017; 10:00 am-12:00 pm. Advance registration required and fees apply for the programs listed unless noted. www.asri.org Program descriptions, fees, directions, registration details and more!

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SCHOOL VACATION WEEKS AT POWDER MILL LEDGES WILDLIFE REFUGE

#### Visit www.asri.org for details and to register.

## FEBRUARY VACATION WEEK

AMAZING AMPHIBIANS February 21, 2017; 2:00-3:30 pm.

JUST A DREAM (STORY AND PLANT A SEED) February 22, 2017; 11:00 am-12:00 pm.

BIG HAWK, LITTLE HAWK February 22, 2017; 2:00-3:30 pm.

OWLS OF NEW ENGLAND FOR FAMILIES February 23, 2017; 2:00-3:30 pm.

COLONIAL CANDLEMAKING February 24, 2017; 2:00-3:30 pm.

## APRIL VACATION WEEK

 POND EXPLORATION

 April 18, 2017; 2:00-3:30 pm.

**MEET A CRITTER: TURTLES** *April 19, 2017; 2:00-3:30 pm.* 

MEET A CRITTER: OWL AND HAWK April 20, 2017; 2:00 pm-3:30 pm.







## CAMOUFLAGED EGG HUNT THREE LOCATIONS OFFERED

April 8, 2017; 9:30 am Children hunt for brown eggs in a natural setting and quickly learn how well they camouflage! Prizes are provided to all children, with a special award going to the finder of the "golden eggs." Please bring a basket. Registration is required. Audubon Environmental Education Center, Bristol, RI Powder Mill Ledges Wildlife Refuge, Smithfield, RI Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge, Exeter, RI

# Kids Discover NATURE at Audubon Summer Camps

Registration for Audubon members and 2016 camp families begins February 4, 2017.

All Registration opens on February 18, 2017.





## **2017 SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE**

DATE	<b>Audubon EnvironmentalEducation Center</b> Bristol, RI			Audubon Caratunk Wildlife Refuge Seekonk, MA	Audubon Caratunk Wildlife Refuge Seekonk, MA	
June 26, 2017 to June 30, 2017	<b>Explore</b> <b>the Shore</b> Ages 5-6 9am-3pm	Coastal Adventures Ages 7-9 9am-3pm	<b>Fledglings</b> Ages 3.5-5 9am-12pm			
July 3, 2017 to July 7, 2017 *four day week	Explore the Shore Ages 5-6 9am-3pm	Coastal Adventures Ages 7-9 9am-3pm	Marine Biology Camp Ages 10-12 M, W, Th 9am-3pm Fri 9am-5:30pm			
July 10, 2017 to July 14, 2017	<b>Dinosaur Days</b> Ages 5-6 9am-3pm	<b>Wilderness</b> <b>Skills</b> Ages 7-9 9am-3pm	Nature Art Camp Ages 10-12 Mon-Th 9am-3pm Fri 9am-5:30pm	Habitats, Homes & Hideaways Ages 5-7* 9am-3pm	<b>C.S.I.</b> Critter Scene Investigation Ages 8-11* 9am-3pm	
July 17, 2017 to July 21, 2017	<b>Explore</b> the Shore Ages 5-6 9am-3pm	Coastal Adventures Ages 7-9 9am-3pm	<b>Fledglings</b> Ages 3.5-5 9am-12pm	Habitats, Homes & Hideaways Ages 5-7* 9am-3pm	Wilderness Skills Ages 8-11* 9am-3pm	
July 24, 2017 to July 28, 2017	<b>Explore</b> the Shore Ages 5-6 9am-3pm	Coastal Adventures Ages 7-9 9am-3pm	Marine Biology Camp Ages 10-12 Mon-Th 9am-3pm Fri 9am-5:30pm	<b>Fledglings</b> Ages 3.5-5 9am-12pm		
July 31, 2017 to August 4, 2017	<b>Explore</b> the Shore Ages 5-6 9am-3pm	Coastal Adventures Ages 7-9 9am-3pm	<b>Sea Squirts</b> Ages 4-5 9am-12pm	Ú		
August 7, 2017 to August 11, 2017	Habitats, Homes & Hideaways Ages 5-6 9am-3pm	<b>Wilderness</b> <b>Skills</b> Ages 7-9 9am-3pm		<b>Naturalist Training Camp</b> Ages 12-15 Mon-Th 9am-3pm F 3pm-9pm		
August 14, 2017 to August 18, 2017	<b>Explore</b> the Shore Ages 5-6 9am-3pm	<b>Coastal</b> Adventures Ages 7-9 9am-3pm	Marine Biology Camp Ages 10-12 Mon-Th 9am-3pm Fri 9am-5:30pm			

\* The age range for Seekonk camps may differ slightly from those in Bristol.

#### Register online at www.audubonsummercamp.com.

For more information contact Tracey Hall: thall@asri.org, (401) 949-5454 ext. 3011

# CARATUNK WILDLIFE REFUGE

#### 301 Brown Avenue, Seekonk, MA

Discover almost 200 acres of fields, forest, streams and ponds in Seekonk, MA. Well-marked and moderate trails provide an oasis of nature close to Providence.

MAPLE SUGARING March 4, 2017; 9:00 am-12:00 pm.

CAMOUFLAGED EGG HUNT April 8, 2017; 9:30 – 11:00 am.

**SALAMANDER SEARCH AT CARATUNK** (April Vacation Week) April 21, 2017; 2:00-3:30 pm. Advance registration required and fees apply for the programs listed unless noted.

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For more information on Audubon birthday party themes, details, and locations, visit www.audubonbirthdayparties.com.

# FISHERVILLE BROOK WILDLIFE REFUGE

#### 99 Pardon Joslin Road, Exeter, RI

Over 900 acres contain fields, diverse forest, pond, streams (including a lovely waterfall) and a historic cemetery. Wonderful scenery and pleasant hiking opportunities make Fisherville Brook well worth the visit.

**SNOWSHOEING BY THE FULL MOON** *February 10, 2017; 7:00-9:00 pm.* 

WOODCOCKS AND WINE April 7, 2017; 6:30 pm-8:30 pm.

CAMOUFLAGED EGG HUNT April 8, 2017; 9:30-11:00 am.

**FREE FRIDAY MORNING BIRD WALKS** April 28, May 5, 12, 26, 2017; 8:15-10:30 am; Program is free, registration is required.

Advance registration required and fees apply for the programs listed unless noted.

## See the Wonders of America's National Parks with Audubon and Collette

## September 14 - 25, 2017

Starting at \$4,199 per person based on air inclusive package leaving from Logan Airport, Boston. For more information visit gocollette.com/link/759551

Highlights include: Lake Powell, Grand Canyon, Bryce Canyon, Jackson Hole, Zion, Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks, Mount Rushmore and Crazy Horse Memorial









#### FREE WEDNESDAY MORNING **BIRD WALKS**

Please visit the Audubon's website or Facebook Page for the location. Locations determined weekly; 9:00-11:00 am; Free.

#### WINTER BIRDING AT SACHUEST POINT

Sachuest Point National Wildlife Refuge, 769 Sachuest Point Road, Middletown, RI; February 18, 2017; 10:30 am-1:00 pm.

#### **GREAT SWAMP BIRDING WALK**

Great Swamp, 296 Great Neck Rd, South Kingstown, RI; April 29, 2017; 2:30-5:00 pm.

#### HARBOR SEAL WALK AT ROME POINT

John H. Chafee Nature Preserve, North Kingstown, RI; April 8, 2017; 12:00-2:00 pm.

#### **SAVE THE DATE! BLOCK ISLAND BIRDING TRIP**

September 29 - October 1, 2017

Advance registration required and fees apply for the programs listed unless noted.

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Stephen Tierney



# PRUDENCE ISLAND

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Explore the various habitats, wildlife and natural beauty that make Prudence Island a unique gem in the middle of Narragansett Bay. SEAL WATCH ON PRUDENCE ISLAND March 8, 2017; 9:45 am-3:00 pm.

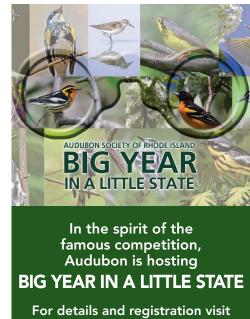
EXPLORE PRUDENCE ISLAND March 11, 2017; 9:45 am-4:45 pm.

# NEW! A WALK BACK IN TIME: THE HISTORY OF PRUDENCE ISLAND

April 27, 2017; 9:45 am-4:45 pm.

Advance registration required and fees apply for the programs listed unless noted.





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## YOURS TO DISCOVER! AUDUBON SOCIETY OF RHODE ISLAND WILDLIFE REFUGES



Farm

#### Providence Pike (Rt. 5), North Smithfield

This 235-acre protected sanctuary of North Smithfield is a great place for a long hike through a variety of northern forest habitats at any time of year.

#### 2) Powder Mill Ledges Wildlife Refuge

#### 12 Sanderson Road (Rt. 5), Smithfield, RI

Powder Mill Ledges, in Smithfield, is home not only to a 120-acre property graced with deep woodlands and interesting rock outcroppings, but it is also home to the Audubon Society's headquarters.

#### 3) Waterman Pond

#### Waterman Hill Road, Coventry, RI

Boasts 28 acres of forest with a single straight trail to tranquil Sisson Pond.

#### 4) George B. Parker Woodland Wildlife Refuge 1670 Maple Valley Road, Coventry

Parker Woodland is a magical place of ancient rock formations, Revolutionary War-era carriage roads, great wildlife watching and strenuous exercise on 860 acres of mostly forested land.

#### 5) Caratunk Wildlife Refuge

#### 301 Brown Avenue, Seekonk, MA

With nearly 200 acres of fields, forests, streams and ponds, this is one of Audubon's most popular hiking destinations.

#### 6) Long Pond Woods

#### Long Pond Road, Rockville, RI

The 220 acres of rocky, steep terrain harbor dense groves of mountain laurel and rhododendron and offers arguably the most challenging hiking of any Audubon Refuge.

#### 7) Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge

#### **Pardon Joslin Road, Exeter, RI (401) 295-8283** The Audubon Society of Rhode Island's largest property open to the public contains 1010 acres of fields, diverse forest habitats, pond streams (including a lovely waterfall), and a historic cemetery.

#### 8) Davis Memorial Wildlife Refuge

**Davisville Road, North Kingstown** This refuge contains 40 acres with access for canoeing.

8A) Narragansett Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Prudence Island

#### 9/10) Claire D. McIntosh Wildlife Refuge/ Environmental Education Center 1401 Hope Street, Bristol

This 28-acre refuge is home to Audubon's awardwinning Environmental Education Center, where educational and family programs are offered yearround.

#### 11) Touisset Marsh Wildlife Refuge Touisset Road, Warren, RI

Easily accessible spot to visit 66 acres of hard-wood forests, fields full of flowers and butterflies, and picturesque salt marsh overlooks.

#### 12) Lathrop Wildlife Refuge

#### Route 1A, Westerly, RI

Short and gentle trails on 86 acres lead to a popular bird watching destination, Winnapaug Pond.

#### 13) Emilie Ruecker Wildlife Refuge

**Seapowet Avenue, Tiverton, RI** Encompassing a breathtaking 50-acre parcel of woods and salt marsh.

#### 14) Lewis-Dickens Farm

#### Cooneymus Road, Block Island, RI

A bit of farming history is preserved in the 120 acres of meadows that also provide habitat for grassland birds.

#### 15) Maxwell Mays Wildlife Refuge

**2082** Victory Highway (Route 102), Coventry, RI Contains over 295 acres of diverse wildlife habitat consisting of upland forests, wetlands, streams, ponds and open meadow. Are you wild about raptors? Bring a friend and join Audubon!



April 22, 2017 from 6:30 to 9:00 pm

Squantum Club 1 Squantum Road, East Providence, RI

Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres Live & Silent Auction Meet Audubon's Raptors See Audubon's Peregrine Webcam



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#### Become a Member! Audubon Society of Rhode Island

All members receive free admission to the Environmental Education Center and discounts at the Nature Shop. Membership also includes reduced fees for programs, rentals, birthday parties and more!

Join today at wwwasri.org!