

Fill your days with OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

Head out with Audubon guides on scenic birding excursions.

Uncover the mysteries of wild mushrooms.

Prowl for owls on frosty trails.

Bring the kids for up-close animal interviews, a pumpkin party and winter vacation fun.

A Red-tailed Hawk has found a new home at the Audubon Environmental Education Center in Bristol. Come say hello! See page 4 for details.







THERE IS SO MUCH TO DISCOVER – COME TO AUDUBON AND JOIN THE FUN!

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- Stay updated with environmental news
- Click on the events calendar for program descriptions, fees, directions and registration details.
- Download Trail Maps
- Discover volunteer opportunities
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Audubon Society of Rhode Island



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 state-of-the-art aquarium and tidepool exhibits and 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.

MEET ATLANTA!

Audubon's New Avian Ambassador

Finn, our resident Red-tailed Hawk at the Environmental Education Center, now has company.

There are now two Red-tailed Hawks in residence in the raptor observation exhibit at the Environmental Education Center. Atlanta, a four-year-old hawk with a permanently injured wing, joined Finn earlier this year and is adapting beautifully to her new home. Come say hello. The two are often found sitting side-byside on a favorite perch, clearly enjoying the view – and each other's company.

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PROGRAMS, LECTURES & WORKSHOPS FOR ADULTS











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

RAPTOR WEEKEND

September 9 & 10, 2017; 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.

PROVIDENCE RAPTORS: PHOTOGRAPHY BY PETER GREEN

September 9 - October 31, 2017; 9:00 am-5:00 pm; Free with Admission.

E-WASTE AND RECYCLING EVENT

"Don't Dump, Donate!"

September 22 - October 10, 2017, 9:00 am-5:00 pm. Free.

MUSUEM DAY LIVE! POETRY READING

A Laureates' reading with special guests September 23, 2017; 3:30-4:30 pm.

SHARING THE SEAS: SAFE BOATING FOR SAILORS AND WHALES

Lecture at the Environmental Education Center September 28, 2017; 7:00-8:00 pm.

USED NATURE BOOK SALE

October 7, 2017; 9:30 am-4:30 pm; Free.

FALL BIRDING IN BRISTOL

October 21, 2017; 8:30-10:30 am.

BIRDING: THE NEXT STEP

Bird Biology with Dr. Charles Clarkson Classes: October 25, & November 1, 8, 15, 2017; 6:30-8:00 pm Field Trips: November 4 & 18, 2017; Times to be determined.

BIRD AND WILDLIFE CARVING EXPOSITION

November 4, 5, 2017; 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.

BEAUTY IS IN THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER: PHOTOGRAPHY BY RITA SPIER

November 12 - December 31, 201; 9:00 am-5:00 pm; Free with Admission.

FAIRY HOUSES & WINE

November 18, 2017; 6:30-8:00 pm.

SEA GLASS JEWELRY AND ORNAMENTS

Two Dates Offered.

November 18 & December 9, 2017; 11:00 am-12:30 pm.

AUDUBON CHRISTMAS TREE SALE AND PHOTOS WITH SANTA

December 2, 2017; 9:00 am-4:00 pm; Free.

NEEDLE FELTED OWLS

December 3, 2017; 2:00-3:30 pm.

PAINT AND SIP: WINTER BIRDS

December 16, 2017; 6:30-8:30 pm.

OWLS AND ALES

Two Dates Offered.

January 27 & February 17, 2018; 6:30-8:30 pm.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

AT THE AUDUBON ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

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

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. Visit the events calendar at www.asri.org for details.

FRANKLIN'S HATCH DAY PARTY – September 2, 2017 Franklin is Audubon's eastern box turtle. Come celebrate his birthday and learn all about this awesome species.

FOREST FUN - October 7, 2017

Look under logs for buggy friends, search the treetops for animal homes and build a magical house for a fairy.

BUGS, MUSHROOMS & WORMS, OH MY! – November 11, 2017 Decomposers like bugs, mushrooms and worms break down all the dead "stuff" that ends up on the forest floor and turn it into nutrients to help plants grow. Come learn more!

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE AND PHOTOS WITH SANTA – December 2, 2017

Come pick out a freshly cut Christmas Tree and take a photo with Santa and Mrs. Clause.

ECO-ENGINEERS - January 6, 2018

Take our Eco-engineering challenge, combine science and art with crafts, and learn about awesome animal engineers!

RAPTOR WEEKEND

September 9 & 10, 2017; 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.

MUSEUM DAY LIVE!

Visit Smithsonian.com/museumday for complimentary admission September 23, 2017; 9:00 am – 5:00 pm.

FAIRY HOUSES AND GNOME HOMES

November 18, 2017, 2:00-3:30 pm.

CRITTERS, CRAFTS, HIKES AND HAWKS! DISCOVER NATURE ON SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Labor Day: September 4, 2017 Columbus Day: October 9, 2017

Martin Luther King Day: January 15, 2018









The Perfect Pumpkin Party

Search for hidden pumpkins, try your hand at pumpkin games, visit our silly fall photo booth, purchase a pumpkin to decorate and more!

October 28, 2017; 10:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Free with Admission.



CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

AT THE AUDUBON ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER



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TALES AND TRAILS: STORY TIME AND NATURE WALK

10:00-11:00 am.

September 13, 2017 - Searching the Butterfly Garden October 4, 2017 - Who is in the Wetlands? November 1, 2017 - Seed Safari in the Meadow December 6, 2017 - Owls in the Forest January 3, 2018 - Signs of Animals on the Refuge

LI'L PEEPS

9:45-10:45 am.

Children ages 18 to 36 months are introduced to the delights of nature through age-appropriate, hands-on activities.

- Fall Session: September 21, 28; October 5, 12, 19, 26, 2017;
- Winter Session: January 11, 18, 25; February 1, 8, 15, 2018.

PRESCHOOL ADVENTURES

10:00-11:00 am.

Nature comes alive for preschoolers ages 3 to 5 through games, hikes, crafts, songs, and more.

- Fall Session: September 26, October 3, 10, 17, 2017;
- Winter Session: January 23, 30; February 6, 13, 2018;

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JUNIOR NATURALISTS FOR HOME-SCHOOLED FAMILIES

1:30-3:00 pm

September 19 and 20, 2017 - Exploring Vertebrates October 17 and 18, 2017 - Nature's Decomposers November 14 and 15, 2017 - Eco Engineers December 12 and 13, 2017 - Wonderful Whales January 16 and 17, 2018 - Icy Science

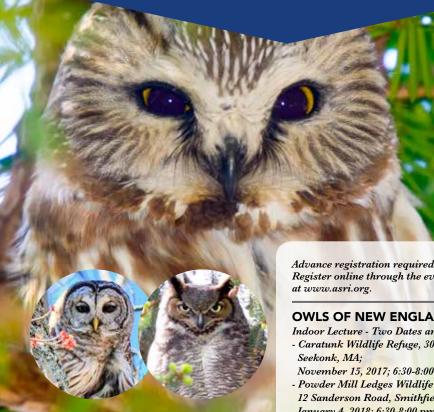
December School Vacation Week with Audubon

December 27 - 30, 2017; 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Don't know what to do with the family during the December school vacation break? Come to Audubon for crafts, critters and special activities each day.

All are free with admission. Visit the events calendar at www.asri.org for a complete schedule.

Join Audubon for frosty evenings on the trails GO PROWL FOR OWLS!



Advance registration required and fees apply. Register online through the events calendar

OWLS OF NEW ENGLAND

Indoor Lecture - Two Dates and Locations Offered.

- Caratunk Wildlife Refuge, 301 Brown Avenue,

November 15, 2017; 6:30-8:00 pm.

- Powder Mill Ledges Wildlife Refuge, 12 Sanderson Road, Smithfield, RI; January 4, 2018; 6:30-8:00 pm.

Bundle up on a frosty night and search with an expert guide for owls in their natural habitat. Come and learn all about these raptors and the species that call Rhode Island home.

If the winter trails prove too chilly for you, consider joining an indoor lecture and visit with a live owl.

Indoors or out, you're in for an unforgettable evening learning all about these amazing birds of prey.

These are some of Audubon's most popular programs, early registration is suggested.

OWL PROWL AT FORT WILDIFE REFUGE

Two Dates Offered.

Fort Nature Refuge, (Rt. 5), 1443 Providence Pike, North Smithfield, RI;

November 29 & December 21, 2017; 7:00-9:00 pm.

OWL PROWL AT FISHERVILLE BROOK

Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge, 99 Pardon Joslin Road, Exeter, RI; December 1, 2017; 7:00-9:00 pm.

OWL PROWL AT CARATUNK REFUGE

Caratunk Wildlife Refuge, 301 Brown Avenue, Seekonk, MA;

January 19, 2018; 7:00-9:00 pm.

OWLING AT FISHERVILLE BROOK

Program for Adults Only. Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge, 99 Pardon Joslin Road, Exeter, RI; January 26, 2018; 7:00-9:00 pm.

OWLS AND ALES

Two Dates Offered. Program for Adults Only. Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol, RI; January 27 & February 17, 2018; 6:30-8:30 pm.

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.

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fees, directions, registration details and more!

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TAKING THE MYSTERY OUT OF MUSHROOMING

September 16, 2017; 10:00 am-2:00 pm.

BIRDFEEDING 101: STARTING A FEEDING STATION

October 28, 2017; 10:00 am-12:00 pm.

AUDUBON HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR ARTISAN GIFTS WITH A NATURAL FLAIR

December 2, 2017; 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.

WILDLIFE WREATH MAKING

December 16, 2017; 10:00 am-12:00 pm.

OWLS OF NEW ENGLAND

Lecture and visit with live owl January 4, 2018; 6:30 pm-8:00 pm.

ANIMAL TRACKS AND SIGNS FOR FAMILIES

January 27, 2018; 2:00-4:00 pm.

INTRODUCTION TO ANIMAL TRACKING FOR ADULTS

January 27, 2018; 10:00 am-12:00 pm.



BIRDING WITH AUDUBON



FREE WEDNESDAY MORNING BIRD WALKS

Please visit Audubon's website or Facebook Page for the weekly location. Every Wednesday through June 2018; 9:00-11:00 am.

FALL BIRDING IN BRISTOL

Join expert Lauren Parmelee and go birding along the beautiful autumn trails down to the East Bay Bike Path and beyond.

Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol, RI;

October 21, 2017; 8:30-10:30 am.

BIRDING: THE NEXT STEP: BIRD BIOLOGY AND FIELD EXCURSIONS

Come learn everything you have ever wanted to know about our feathered friends from expert ornithologist Dr. Charles Clarkson. Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol, RI;

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- Field Trips: November 4 & 18, 2017; Times to be determined.

BIRDFEEDING 101: STARTING A FEEDING STATION

Learn from the experts how to start a feeding station for birds. Powder Mill Ledges Wildlife Refuge, 12 Sanderson Road, Smithfield, RI; October 28, 2017; 10:00 am-12:00 pm.

WINTER BIRDING VAN TRIP: WATERFOWL & SEABIRDS AT THE SHORE

Join guide Laura Carberry for a trip to Rhode Island's coastal habitats in search of winter waterfowl and seabirds.

Departs from Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge, 99 Pardon Joslin Road, Exeter, RI; December 2, 2017; 8:00 am-4:00 pm.

DUCKS AT TRUSTOM POND

Hone your birding skills and search for ducks, raptors and songbirds. Perfect for beginning and intermediate birders.

Trustom Pond NWR, 1040 Matunuck Schoolhouse Road, South Kingstown, RI; December 9, 2017; 8:00-10:30 am.

WINTER BIG DAY 2018

How many species can we find? Set out with an Audubon guide and search for Barrow's Goldeneye, Eurasian Wigeon, Short-eared Owl, Snow Buntings and more. Departs from Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge, 99 Pardon Joslin Road, Exeter, RI; January 4, 2018; 8:30 am-5:00 pm.

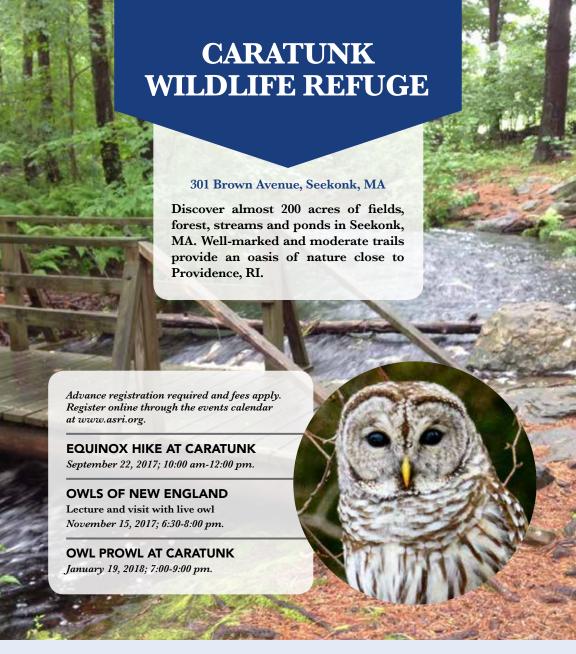
WINTER BEACH WALK: BIRDING AND BEACH COMBING

Join naturalist Bob Kenney for a mid-day winter walk along Moonstone Beach, without the summer crowds or closed piping plover nesting areas.

Moonstone Beach Road, South Kingstown, RI;

January 28, 2018; 11:00 am-1:30 pm.







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.



Advance registration required and fees apply. Register online through the events calendar at www.asri.org.

TAKING THE MYSTERY OUT OF MUSHROOMING

October 21, 2017; 10:00 am-2:00 pm.

BEAVERS OF FISHERVILLE

Learn About Nature's Engineers November 3, 2017; 5:00-6:30 pm.

OWL PROWL AT FISHERVILLE BROOK

December 1, 2017; 7:00-9:00 pm.

OWLING AT FISHERVILLE BROOK

January 26, 2018; 7:00-9:00 pm.

WINTER BIRDING VAN TRIP: WATERFOWL AND SEABIRDS AT THE SHORE

Departs from Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge; December 2, 2017; 8:00 am-4:00 pm.

WINTER BIG DAY 2018: HOW MANY BIRD SPECIES CAN WE FIND?

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HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

Advance registration required and fees apply unless noted. Register online through the events calendar at www.asri.org.

SEA GLASS JEWELRY AND ORNAMENTS

Come create a beautiful holiday ornament or pendant with sea glass found on local beaches. Two Dates Offered. Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol, RI; November 18, December 9, 2017; 11:00 am-12:30 pm.

AUDUBON CHRISTMAS TREE SALE AND PHOTOS WITH SANTA

Come pick out a freshly cut Christmas tree and join East Bay Newspapers and Audubon for photos with Santa. Seasonal crafts and activities for children will be available and donations will be collected for the local food bank. Admission is free. Audubon Environmental Education Center, 1401 Hope Street, Bristol, RI; December 2, 2017; 9:00 am-4:00 pm.

AUDUBON HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR ARTISAN GIFTS WITH A NATURAL FLAIR

With local vendors selling a variety of nature and wildlife related wares, you are sure to find perfect holiday gifts for the nature enthusiasts on your list.

Powder Mill Ledges Wildlife Refuge, 12 Sanderson Road, Smithfield, RI; December 2, 2017; 10:00 am-4:00 pm.

WILDLIFE WREATH MAKING

Make a winter wreath that is both beautiful and edible to birds and other wildlife. Use greens, dried flowers, seed heads, leaves, fruits and nuts to entice your feathered friends to visit. Powder Mill Ledges Wildlife Refuge, 12 Sanderson Road, Smithfield, RI; December 16, 2017; 10:00 am-12:00 pm.





AUDUBON 2017 PHOTO CONTEST



Share with Audubon the images of nature found through the lens of your camera. Photos must be taken on one of Audubon's wildlife refuges that are open to the public.

Submissions are due on or before October 31, 2017. Visit www.asri.org to enter.

FORT WILDLIFE REFUGE

1443 Providence Pike (Route 5), North Smithfield, RI

This Northern Rhode Island wildlife sanctuary contains 235 acres with a variety of northern forest habitats, ponds teeming with wildlife, and easy walking trails.



Advance registration required and fees apply. Register online through the events calendar at www.asri.org.

OWL PROWL AT FORT REFUGE

Two Dates Offered. November 29, December 21, 2017; 7:00-9:00 pm.

SNOWSHOEING AT FORT REFUGE

January 13, 2018; 10:00 am-12:00 pm.

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PRUDENCE ISLAND



Narragansett Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Prudence Island, RI

Explore the various habitats, wildlife and natural beauty that make Prudence Island a unique gem in the middle of Narragansett Bay.

Advance registration required, program and ferry fees apply. Visit the events calendar at www.asri.org for details.

BIRD BANDING DEMONSTRATION

September 9, 2017; 7:30 am-3:00 pm.

EXPLORE PRUDENCE ISLAND

September 19, 2017; 9:45 am-3:00 pm.

ART AND NATURE AS ONE

September 30, 2017; 9:45 am-4:45 pm.

HIKING PRUDENCE ISLAND

October 18, 2017; 9:45 am-4:45 pm.

SEALS AND SEABIRDS

December 4, 2017; 9:45 am-3:00 pm.



BIRD WATCHING



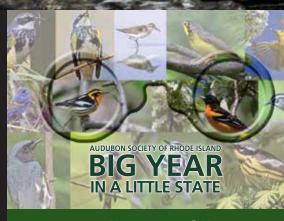
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YOURS TO DISCOVER!

AUDUBON SOCIETY OF RHODE ISLAND WILDLIFE REFUGES

Take to the trails and discover the natural wonders Florence Sutherland Fort & Richard Knight Fort Nature Refuge found on Audubon Wildlife Refuges across Rhode Island. Explore those special places that are only der Mill Ledges Waterman Wildlife Refuge accessible by foot! (Sisson) Pond 3 George B. Parker Woodland Maxwell Mays 15 Wildlife Refuge Visit www.asri.org for details, trail maps and directions **Education Center** or call (401)-949-5454. **Davis Memorial** 9 Long Pondi Wildlife Refuge 7 10 Woods 6 8 erville Brook Claire D. McInto

Fort Wildlife Refuge

Lathrop Wild

1445 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.

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.

Waterman Pond

Waterman Hill Road, Coventry, RI Boasts 28 acres of forest with a single straight trail to tranquil Sisson Pond.

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.

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.

Fisherville Brook Wildlife Refuge

99 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.

Davis Memorial Wildlife Refuge

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Davisville Road, North Kingstown Refuge contains 40 acres with access for canoeing.

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- Narragansett Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Prudence Island
- Claire D. McIntosh Wildlife Refuge/
- **Environmental Education Center** (10) 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 hardwood forests, fields full of flowers and butterflies, and picturesque salt marsh overlooks.

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 This refuge encompasses 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.

Maxwell Mays Wildlife Refuge

2082 Victory Highway (Rte 102), Coventry, RI Contains over 295 acres of diverse wildlife habitat consisting of upland forests, wetlands, streams, ponds and open meadow.



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