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**Sandy Point State Park
1100 E. College Parkway, Annapolis, MD 21409
2022 Events Calendar**

Sandy Point State Park, located along the northwestern shore of the majestic Chesapeake Bay in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, provides an opportunity for visitors to explore the diverse landscapes that overlook the Bay. Join a Ranger for these family fun events. Please call (410) 974.2149 for more information and to make your reservation.

January 1 & 2 “First Day Hike: A New Year with New Possibilities!” 9am - 3pm

Become a Park Planner on this self-guided, choose your own adventure hike where the path you take and the decisions you make help to create your dream park. Hikes available Saturday, January 1 and Sunday, January 2. Start in the East Beach Area at the Osprey Pavilion. A smart phone will be needed to complete the hike’s activities. Pets on a leash are welcome. Trail is not stroller/ wheelchair accessible. Day-use fees apply (\$3/vehicle, payable at the Autotoll).

February 13 “Valentine’s Vista” 2pm

Looking for a different way to celebrate Valentine’s Day? Travel to Sandy Point State Park and enjoy a beautiful view of the Chesapeake Bay and the Sandy Point Shoal Lighthouse. While there, share a refreshing treat of sparkling juice, chocolate covered strawberries and other holiday favorites with your best friend. Reservations required. \$15 per couple.

March 20 “Exploring the Equinox” 2pm

Ring in the Spring on this leisurely stroll through the habitats of Sandy Point as we celebrate the changes the Earth’s elliptical orbit brings! Space is limited, call today to make your reservations. Day-use fees apply (\$3/vehicle, payable at the Autotoll).

April 23 “Earth Day” 1-3pm

Come out and celebrate Earth Day at Sandy Point State Park! You will be among hundreds of people state-wide who volunteer their time to benefit Maryland’s State Parks. Meet in the East Beach Area. Call for more details.

May 25 “Staying Afloat” 6pm

Whether you are a boating novice or a seasoned captain, safety for all aboard is top priority. Join a Ranger during National Safe Boating Week to ensure you and your crew are equipped to handle whatever the Bay may bring. Reservations required. Day-use fees apply.

June 3 “National Trails Day - Intro to Backpacking” 7pm

Get a jumpstart into celebrating ‘Great Outdoors Month’ by joining a Ranger to celebrate National Trails Day! Listen to the songs of frogs as you learn backpacking basics and the many ways you can minimize your impact on the great outdoors. Reservations required. Day-use fees apply.

June 22 “Seine the Bay!” 10am

School may be out for the summer, but that doesn't mean the fun of learning should end. Join a Ranger as you observe and learn about the animals that inhabit the waters of the Chesapeake Bay. Be prepared to get wet as we wade into the Bay. Reservations are preferred. Day-use fees apply.

June 29 “Junior Beach Patrol” 2 - 4pm

Think you've got what it takes to be on Sandy Point's Beach Patrol? Learn about water safety and water rescue techniques while participating in fun drills with the Lifeguards of Sandy Point. All participants must be able to swim, ages 7 - 12. Reservations required. Day-use fees apply.

August 10 - “Pollen Power” 10am

Achoo! Many fear the power of the pollen count, but have never considered how important this sneeze-inducing substance is to the entire world. Through a series of interactive activities, learn more about the plants and animals that contribute to the survival of us all! Ages 12 & under. Reservations required. Day-use fees apply.

August 24 “Valued Vultures” 10am

With International Vulture Awareness Day right around the corner, join a Ranger to learn more about these often misunderstood creatures that soar around the park. Explore the vultures of the world and their adaptations through interactive activities and a live animal program. Ages 12 & under. Reservations required. Day-use fees apply.

October 1 “Moonlit Bay Hike” 8pm

Hike to the light of the moon on 'International Observe the Moon Night' by joining a Ranger on an approximately two-mile hike to enjoy the views of the Chesapeake Bay by moonlight. Learn more about the earth's 'natural satellite' along the way. Reservations required! Day-use fees apply (\$3/vehicle, payable at the Autotoll).

November 5 “Fall Foliage Hike” 2pm

The forecast is cool and brisk with a chance of phenomenal peak colors and fall foliage flurries. Join a Ranger for an approximately two-mile trek to enjoy the hues and views of a Sandy Point autumn day. Reservations required! Day-use fees apply (\$3/vehicle, payable at the Autotoll).

December 3 “Winter Tree ID” 10am

Twigs, buds and bark, oh my! Join a Ranger to learn how these three parts of a tree can help you with winter tree identification. Reservations required! Day-use fees apply (\$3/vehicle, payable at the Autotoll).

FOR MORE INFORMATION

About the Park: <https://dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/pages/southern/sandypoint.aspx>

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