

May 2022

Patapsco Valley State Park
Soldiers Delight NEA

Register [here](#) or by contacting us at 410-461-5005.
patapsco.statepark@maryland.gov

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9- CCEC Trail Work Day 12- BioBlitz	2	3 9 - En Plein Air Hike & Paint	4 9-11 Invasive Removal 11- Spring into Yoga	5 9-11 Invasive Removal	6 10 - Storytime	7 9-11 Invasive Removal
8 11- Mother's Day Flowers	9	10	11	12	13 10- Little Explorers	14 11- Park Quest Kickoff: Spring Garden Cleanup
15	16	17 9- Hike & Photo	18 9- Invasive Removal	19 9-Invasive Removal	20 10- Storytime 3- Friends in Focus	21 8- Total Lunar Eclipse
22 10- Grandparent & Me: Daniels History Hike	23	24	25	26	27	28 9- Disc Golf Maintenance
29 4- Meet a Bird, Paint a Bird	30	31	<p>Unless otherwise noted, events are held rain or shine, free and fun for all ages; donations are always welcome. Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.</p> <p>Dress for the weather/activity, wear sunscreen and insect repellent, bring plenty of water and snacks, and remember to check for ticks</p>			

Are you interested in setting up a private program for your family or friends?

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5/1 Morgan Run NEA Trail Work Day

9-12 p.m. at Morgan Run at Benrose Lane

Attend a Trail Work Day hosted by the [Carroll County Equestrian Council](#) to help keep these trails accessible to all! Bring hand tools.

Recommended for Ages 10 and up! Volunteers that provide 100 hours of service to the park are eligible for a free MPS park pass for the following year.

5/1 BioBlitz

12-3 p.m. at McKeldin 501

Join us to count critters! We'll be participating in City Nature Challenge to make our own observations of nature and identify species. Participate in citizen science with us as we vie for most observations internationally! All ages. Shine only.

5/3 En Plein Air Hike & Paint

9:30 a.m.- noon at McKeldin 550

We will hike a section of trail and paint the scenery around us "En Plein Air" while also providing painting tips and tricks. [Registration required](#) by 4/30.

Recommended for ages 10 and up. \$15/person. Shine only. 20 participants maximum.

5/4 Spring into Yoga

11 a.m. - noon at Hilton 245

Hectic morning? Stressful week? Looking for some gentle exercise to start your morning off on? Join us for a yoga class as we take a moment to ground ourselves in nature and breathe in the fresh park air. Beginners welcome! Limited number of yoga mats [available with registration](#).

5/4 Invasive Removal

9-11 a.m. at McKeldin Ranger Station

Help us control the spread of invasive plants within the park! If you have them, please bring gardening gloves and shovels. Limited equipment will be available for use. Volunteers receive free entry for the day and volunteers that provide 100 hours of service to the park are eligible for a free MPS park pass for the following year. Shine only. Maximum 50 participants. All ages. [Registration](#) required.

5/5 Invasive Removal

9-11 a.m. at McKeldin Ranger Station

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5/6 Storytime

10-10:45 a.m. at Hilton Nature Center

Join us for a nature-themed storytime! We'll have fun reading books, dancing, and singing songs to encourage development of literacy skills in young children. Recommended for ages 0-5. Shine only.

5/7 Invasive Removal

9-11 a.m. at Patapsco Valley State Park Headquarters: 8020 Baltimore National Pike, Ellicott City, MD, 21043

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5/8 Mother's Day Flowers

11 a.m. at Hilton Nature Center

Join us to make black-eyed susan seed "bubbles" for your favorite gardener! All ages. Shine only. [Registration](#) required by 5/4.

5/13 Little Explorers

10-10:45 a.m. at Hilton Nature Center

What's under there? We'll learn about what things are safe to explore in nature, and get our hands dirty doing it! Shine only. Max of 20 participants.

[Register here!](#)

5/14 Park Quest Kick-Off: Spring Garden Cleanup

11 a.m. - 1 p.m

All ages welcome! Join us to kick off spring at the park with a garden cleanup at the Headquarters Building of the Hollofield Area! Bring your own gloves, water, sunscreen, and bug spray if desired. Registration required. Volunteers receive free entry for the day and volunteers that provide 100 hours of service to the park are eligible for a free MPS park pass for the following year. Shine only. Maximum 20 participants. All ages. [Registration](#) required.

5/17 Hike & Photo

9:30 a.m.- noon at McKeldin 576

We will hike a section of trail and enjoy the beauty of nature through the medium of photography. Bring a camera or even your phone! [Registration required](#) by 5/14. Recommended for Ages 10 and up. \$15/person. Shine only.

5/18 Invasive Removal

9-11 a.m. at McKeldin Ranger Station

Help us control the spread of invasive plants within the park! If you have them, please bring gardening gloves and shovels. Limited equipment will be available for use. Volunteers receive free entry for the day and volunteers that provide 100 hours of service to the park are eligible for a free MPS park pass for the following year. Shine only. Maximum 50 participants. All ages. [Registration](#) required.

5/19 Invasive Removal

9-11 a.m. at McKeldin Ranger Station

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5/20 Storytime

10-10:45 a.m. at Hilton Nature Center

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5/20 Friends in Focus

3-5 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Aviary

Whether you are a professional or amateur photographer, capture our Scales & Tales animals on film in a natural setting. A Naturalist will be on hand to bring out 3-5 birds of prey and or reptiles for photographers to take photos of and to discuss the animal's natural history. \$15.00/photographer. Registration required by 5/18. Open for the whole family.

5/21 Total Lunar Eclipse

8-10 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Visitor Center

A total lunar eclipse occurs on May 16th (the first of two this year)! A total lunar eclipse occurs when the Moon passes completely through the Earth's dark shadow, or umbra. During this type of eclipse, the Moon will gradually get darker and then take on a rusty or blood red color. The eclipse will be visible throughout all of North America. At our program on the 21st, come explore how eclipses occur and when the next one is. Time machines will be provided by the Westminster Astronomy Club. Open for the whole family! Rain or Shine.

5/22 Grandparents & Me: Daniels History Hike

10-11:30 a.m.

Come enjoy a leisurely stroll into the past as we hike through what used to be a mill town and spot remains and foundations. This event is geared towards grandparents & grandkids (of all ages) but anyone interested in bringing younger generations are encouraged to attend. Registration recommended.

5/28 Disc Golf Maintenance

9-1 p.m. at McKeldin Disc Golf Course

Join our Disc Golf Course volunteer group to do cleanup of the disc golf pads and to remove obstructions in the course. Volunteers receive free entry for the day and volunteers that provide 100 hours of service to the park are eligible for a free MPS park pass for the following year. Recommended ages 10 & up!

5/29 Meet a Bird, Paint a Bird

4-6 p.m. at Soldiers Delight Aviary

Join a naturalist at Soldiers Delight for a hands-on, step-by-step paint night. We'll start the night by getting an up close look at the subject of the painting, one of the Scales & Tales raptors! All materials provided. Beginners encouraged! \$10. Registration required by 5/27. Recommended ages 10 & up!