



Baltimore Woods Nature Center

Nature in your hands

Children who are given early, positive experiences in nature develop a connection to the natural world. This connection nourishes their body, mind and spirit throughout their life.



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Preschool Programs

Discover the wonders of nature at The Woods. Baltimore Woods Nature Center is a not-for-profit member-supported environmental education organization devoted to increasing awareness, understanding, and appreciation of the natural environment among all people. Come learn about nature in our Interpretive Center, enjoy the art gallery and exhibits, and explore 182 acres of forests, fields, ponds and streams.

To register for your program
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Directions

Baltimore Woods Nature Center is easily accessible from Route 20. From 20 West, take a right hand turn onto Bishop Hill Road. Go through one stop sign, crossing Lee Mulroy Road/Route 175. Proceed to the top of the hill (approximately ½ mile). The Baltimore Woods headquarters building is located on the left, at the top of the hill. Immediately past the building is the main parking lot.



Visit Baltimore Woods, or let our educators come to you!

On-site at Baltimore Woods or at your own facility, join us in fun and discovery. Our experienced Environmental Educators lead children ages 3-5 through exploration and discovery of the natural world all around us.



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MAPLE MAGIC

Learn about the magical transformation of sunlight into sweet maple syrup. Using up-close observations of maple trees and a real demonstration of the maple sugaring process, explorers will learn about life cycles, and seasonal patterns. The program then concludes with a sweet reward, explorers get a taste of real maple syrup made right here in Central New York.

spring

SENSING NATURE

Why do birds call? Why are plants green? What does fur feel like? Explorers will engage in a variety of interactive sensory activities, to discover the answers to these natural mysteries.

spring, fall, winter

ATTRACTING WOODLAND FAIRIES

Through folklore and observation explorers experience the forest first-hand. The highly imaginative mind of the explorer is used as a stepping stone to the investigation of the living and non-living world of a woodland forest. Explorers can come to their own conclusions regarding the existence of woodland fairies, whose sole purpose it is said is to protect the plants and animals of The Woods.

spring, fall

FROG CATCHING

Get ready for some hands-on, wet & muddy fun! Equipped with nets, explorers will descend upon Phillips pond to attempt to catch frogs in all stages of their life cycle from eggs to tadpoles to frogs.

on-site only – spring, fall

ANTS ON PARADE*

Explore the hidden world of ants through an arts and crafts project and outdoor experiment. Start to discover how ants understand their world. How many body segments does an ant have? What kind of food do ants like to eat?

spring, fall

SPIDER WEB WONDERS*

Spiders are often confused for insects and thought of as scary small creatures, but are in fact an important part of our ecosystem. Come discover the amazing world of webs and go on a spider safari.

spring, fall

TERRIFIC TURKEYS*

How do wild turkeys survive? What does a wild turkey eat? Discover what it would be like to be a wild turkey in Central New York.

fall

NIGHT TREE

Baltimore Woods Educators read *Night Tree* by Eve Bunting. Then we will create festive treats for our wildlife friends and use them to decorate a winter tree.

winter

THE SNOWFLAKE BENTLEY STORY

Did you know that no two snowflakes are alike? Discover the wonder and beauty of snow crystals as we read the story of Snow Flake Bentley. After the story we will catch snowflakes on our handmade snowflake catchers!

winter

WALKING IN A WINTER WONDERLAND

Who has been scampering quietly over the snow? What animal left that foot print behind? Discover who has been walking through the woods as we go on a snowshoe hike.

winter

Costs:

Classes up to 20 students: \$80.

Pricing for additional students or for longer programs can be provided.

A \$25 travel fee applies to all off-site programs. Material fees may apply for some programs.

* *Growing Up Wild* programs