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Belle Isle Marsh Reservation
Department of Conservation and Recreation

NOVEMBER 2026 PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to the public. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Reasonable accommodation is available upon request. Inclement weather, including rain and high winds, may cancel programs. To confirm, or for more information call 617-721-4132 or email Matthew.Nash@mass.gov

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Coming events

Saturdays
8:00–10:00am
Nov. 7 & 21

An Oasis for Birds

Look for waterfowl, hawks, and other birds on a roughly one-mile walk at this MA State Reservation that's a birding hotspot. This program often visits other locations after Belle Isle Marsh Reservation. *Participants provide their own transportation between locations.* Binoculars recommended; loaners available. Please leave pets at home. Co-sponsored by the Brookline Bird Club, and Friends of Belle Isle Marsh. Free of Cost. No pre-registration needed.

This program meets year-round on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month, except when the Saturday is a state or national holiday.

Ages: Adults and children 8+ accompanied by an adult.
Meet at: At the information sign kiosk in the parking lot of Belle Isle Marsh Reservation, 1399 Bennington Street, East Boston.

Wednesday
6:30–7:30am
Nov. 25

Morning at the Marsh

Start your day off at Belle Isle Marsh Reservation! As we make our way around the reservation, we will be mindful of the sounds around us – the calls of birds, along with the subway starting its first runs of the day and airplanes going overhead; reminders that the reservation is truly an oasis in the heart of the city. We'll keep an eye out for birds, mammals like eastern cottontail rabbits, and will also take in the beauty of the reservation's trees and other vegetation. Binoculars suggested, some loaner binoculars available thanks to the Friends of Belle Isle Marsh. Please keep pets at home. Co-sponsored by Friends of Belle Isle Marsh, and Mystic River Watershed Association. Free of Cost. No pre-registration needed.

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Friday
9:30–10:45am
Nov. 27

Gratitude After Gravy

Join park staff for a 1.5 mile walk around Belle Isle Marsh Reservation. Belle Isle Marsh Reservation is truly an oasis in the heart of the city, you will get to see the Boston skyline and Logan Airport, and it is extremely likely that you will see planes fly overhead, along with various birds and other wildlife. On a yearly basis over 250 different species of birds visit this site! This Gratitude After Gravy offering is for everyone, all ages and all abilities. The reservation is accessible; the terrain at the reservation is relatively flat, the hike will remain on the reservation's stone dust pathways, and all boardwalks that will be visited have thresholds. Two porta potties are available, one of which is accessible. Please dress for the weather, and bring water to stay hydrated. Please leave pets at home. Free of Cost. No pre-registration needed.

Free parking is available in the lot on site, if lot is full, participants can park anywhere outside of the entry to the reservation along Bennington Street.

Public Transportation: MBTA Blue Line to the Suffolk Downs stop. Cross at the pedestrian crossing and turn left. The entry to the reservation will be about 4 minutes down on your right.

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