



# JUNE 2026 PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to the public. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Reasonable accommodation is available upon request. Programs meet at the Houghton's Pond Visitor Center, 840 Hillside St, Milton, MA, unless otherwise noted. Inclement weather may cancel programs. To confirm or for more information call (857) 208-8498.



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Coming events

## Tuesdays

10:30–11:30am

June 2, 9, 16, &  
23

### Nature's Classroom

Learn all about nature on a gentle, one-mile walk in the Blue Hills Reservation. For families and curious adults.

#### June 2 & 16 — Turtle Trek

Turtles are truly incredible animals! Many species make their home throughout the Blue Hills. We will learn about these turtles, their behavior, how to identify different species of local turtles, and maybe see some ourselves

#### June 9 & 23 — Animal Detectives

Animal tracks tell the story of wildlife in the forest: where they go, what they eat, and who's trying to eat them. Learn how to tell what these animals do when no one is around.

## Tuesdays

2:30–4:00pm

June 2, 9, 16, &  
23

### Exploring the Blue Hills

Join this series of hikes on beautiful but less-used trails. We hike between 2.5 and 5 miles on moderate trails. For adults and children 8 and up. Bring water, dress for the weather.

## Wednesdays

2:00–3:00pm

June 3, 17, & 24

### Wellness in the Woods

Unwind with a quiet and contemplative mindfulness program in the beautiful and peaceful Blue Hills. De-stress and reconnect with nature on this slow and gentle 1.1-mile forest meditation walk. Adults and children 10 and up.

## Thursdays

9:30–11:00am

June 4, 18, & 25

### History in the Hills

Learn about the history of the Blue Hills Reservation. Accessible lectures for adults and children over 12.

#### June 4 & 25 — Colonial Farmers

Farming in these rocky hills has never been easy. Learn how colonial farmers dealt with challenges and changed the landscape in their quest to make a new home.

#### June 18 — The Tree Army

During the Great Depression, President Roosevelt sent millions of young men to improve and expand the parks of America. Learn their incredible story here in the Blue Hills.

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## Summer Strolls

Come experience unfolding spring in the Blue Hills!

### June 4 & 25 — Marsh Madness

The lovely Marigold Marsh is a vital habitat and home to many species of birds, reptiles, and rare plants. Discover the wonders of a freshwater marsh. All ages 1-mile.

### June 18 — Bird Song for Beginners

Who’s making all that beautiful music in the woods? Find out who these mini-maestros are and how to tell them apart when you hear their symphony. All ages 1.1-mile

## Fridays

10:00–11:00 am

June 12 & 26

## Kidleidoscope

Join us for a nature craft and nature facts! Each week we will feature a different nature theme, story, and craft on that theme. Suitable for ages 2-5 with an adult.

## Saturdays

9:00–10:00 am

June 13, 20, & 27

## Nature’s Classroom

On Saturday mornings, explore what nature has to offer in the Blue Hills Reservation. For families and adults.

### June 13 & 27 — I Spy Fungi

Discover the mysterious and hidden world of fungi! Fungi are crucial for all life on earth. Learn how fungi are much more than just beautiful – and sometimes deadly – mushrooms on this gentle 1-mile walk.

### June 20 — Talking Trees

The trees are talking! Trees are living beings and have strange and fascinating ways to cooperate and communicate with each other. Learn what these silent giants can tell us if we know how to listen. 1-mile walk.

## Saturday

1:00–2:30 pm

June 27

## Nice and Easy Hiking Series

Looking to get outdoors and take a gentle, guided hike in the beautiful Blue Hills? Join us for our weekly series of leisurely paced nature hikes (1.5-3 miles long). Enjoy nature at your own pace and make friends along the way.

## SPECIAL EVENT

## Saturday

1:00–3:30 pm

June 20

## Southeastern Massachusetts Adult Walking Club: Ponkapoag Pond Hike

Join us for a 4.5-mile moderate walk over level trails around Ponkapoag Pond. Meet at the Ponkapoag Golf Course, 2167 Washington St., Canton. (857) 208-8498.