



SEPTEMBER 2022 PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Programs meet at the Houghton's Pond Visitor Center unless otherwise noted. Inclement weather may cancel programs. To confirm or for more information call (857) 208-8498. Please follow all current COVID guidelines. Visit [Mass.gov/COVID](https://www.mass.gov/COVID).

- Saturdays**
September 3, 10, 17 & 24
- FAMILY NATURE EXPLORATION, 10:00 — 11:00 am**
On Saturday mornings, explore the natural side of Blue Hills Reservation. For families and curious adults.
- September 3 & 17—Volcanic Granite:** Hundreds of millions of years ago the Blue Hills was a raging volcano. Join us for a geological hike on this extinct volcano and learn about the granite it left behind and how people have used that marvelous stone for hundreds of years.
- September 10 & 24—Fire in the Blue Hills:** Fire has impacted humans for hundreds of years in these hills. Join us for a hike to a recent forest fire and learn about the history of fire in these hills and the challenges we face from fire today.
- Saturdays**
September 3, 10, 17 & 24
- NICE & EASY HIKING SERIES, 1:00 pm—2:30 pm**
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 to 3 miles long). Learn about nature at your own pace and make some friends along the way. All ages.
- Tuesdays**
September 6, 13, 20
- FAMILY NATURE EXPLORATION, 10:00 — 11:00 am**
On Tuesday mornings, explore the natural side of Blue Hills Reservation. For families and curious adults.
- September 6—A Murder Most Fowl:** Crows are remarkably social and intelligent animals. These clever birds have long been a source of fascination and lore. See how different cultures have viewed crows throughout history and how these myths are often supported by the newest science.
- September 13—Raccoons: A Thief in the Night:** Raccoons are more than dumpster divers, they are survivors. Raccoons have long lived alongside humans. Because of some remarkable adaptations, they now thrive in the modern world.
- September 20—Talking Trees:** The story of the forest is told in its trees. They are living beings and have strange and fascinating ways to communicate with one another. Learn what these silent giants can tell us if we know how to listen.

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Tuesdays
September 6,
13, 20

EXPLORING THE BLUE HILLS, 2:30 pm—4:00 pm

On Tuesday afternoons, explore the lesser seen parts of Blue Hills Reservation. For families and adults.

September 6 & 20—Little Blue: Explore the western most hill in the Blue Hills, with a gentle hike to the top of Little Blue. *Meets at parking lot at 2991 MA-138, Canton MA.*

September 13—Railway Quarry: Come see the granite cliffs of the old Railway Quarry and see Boston from the summit. *Meets at Parking Lot on Ricciuti Drive, Quincy.*

Wednesdays
September 7,
14, 21, & 28

HISTORY IN THE HILLS, 9:00 am—10:30 am

On Wednesday mornings, learn about the history of the Blue Hills Reservation. Accessible for all adults and children over 12.

September 7 & 21—Colonial Farmers: Farming in these rocky hills has never been easy. Learn how colonial farmers dealt with the challenges and made a new home in America.

September 14 & 28—Bakers Chocolate: Learn how Bakers Chocolate transformed Dorchester's economy and what became of their bitter-sweet legacy.

Wednesdays
September 7,
14, 21 & 28

AUTUMN ADVENTURES, 3:00 pm—4:00 pm

Join us on our awesome autumn adventures in the Blue Hills!

September 7 & 21—Marsh Madness: Explore lovely Marigold Marsh - a vital habitat and home to many birds and reptiles as they make their preparations for winter. All ages.

September 14 & 28—Fall Foliage Foray: See autumn's red blaze (and yellow and orange, too!) on a lovely, one-mile stroll around Houghton's pond. All ages.

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Thursdays
September 8,
15, 22, 29

GREAT BLUE YONDER HIKE, 2:00 pm—4:00 pm
Meets at Trailside Museum Parking Lot.

Join us on a moderate hike to the highest point in MA south of Boston and enjoy the majestic views from the top of Great Blue Hill. Suitable for adults with hiking experience. Bring drinking water. Rain cancels.

Fridays,
September 9,
16, 23, 30

KIDLEIDOSCOPE, 10:00 am—11:00 am

Join us for nature crafts and nature facts! Each week we will feature a different nature theme and a craft on that theme. Suitable for children ages 4-10 years with an adult.



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