



# JANUARY 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 John Hitchcock Visitor Center, 345 Mountain Rd, Princeton, MA, unless otherwise noted. Inclement weather may cancel programs. To confirm or for more information call (978) 464-2987.

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Coming events

**Sundays,  
Tuesdays, &  
Wednesdays**  
**10:00-11:30am**

**Mysteries in Snow**

Join us to solve the mysteries of animal tracks at Wachusett Mountain. Dress warmly and wear winter boots, bring snowshoes if you have them. This will be an easy flat walk around the visitor center. If there is no snow or conditions are icy this will be an indoor presentation, call for current conditions. For adults and children 5 and older.

**Sundays  
& Tuesdays**  
**1:00-1:45pm**

**Wildlife on the Mountain**

Discover the lives of the “locals” in this talk about wildlife habitats, competition, and survival on Wachusett Mountain. See and touch skins, skulls, and tracks of some of our native animals, including deer, bobcats, bears, and more. For adults and children 5 and older.

**Mondays**  
**11:00-  
11:30am**

**Winter World: Animal Survival**

How do animals survive the brutal conditions of extreme cold and little to eat during winter? In this talk we’ll explore the strategies wild animals use and consider some of own adaptations. For adults and children 10 and older.

**Wednesdays**  
**1:00-1:45pm**

**The Forest Before Us**

Can’t see the forest for the trees? Join us for this talk about forest growth from the last glacial period to the present, including the old growth forests of Wachusett Mountain. For adults and children 10 and older.

**Thursdays**  
**11:00am-  
12:00pm**

**Winter Tree I.D.**

Join a park interpreter on a leisurely trail walk at Mount Wachusett. Learn how to use tree shape and bark to identify common species of trees in the winter. This walk will cover less than half a mile on easy terrain. For adults and children 10 and older.

**Thursdays**  
**1:00-1:30pm**

**A Peak Back in Time**

Come journey with us to Wachusett’s past. In this talk, we will learn about the Mountain’s history, from geologic times to today. For adults and children 10 and older.