

# PROGRAM SCHEDULE

## Wachusett Mountain State Reservation

April/May 2023

### Programs At a Glance

#### TUESDAY

- 11am-11:30am: Wild!Life on the Mountain
- 1:00pm-1:30pm: A Peak Back in Time

#### WEDNESDAY

- 1pm-1:30pm: As Old as the Hills

#### THURSDAY

- 11am-12pm: Kidleidoscope
- 1pm-3:30pm: Walking with the Ancients

#### FRIDAY

- 11am-12pm: Spring Wildflower Walk
- 1pm-2pm: Tree ID Walk

#### SATURDAY

- 11am-11:30am: Wild!Life on the Mountain
- 1pm-1:30pm: As Old as the Hills

Meet at the Visitor Center for all programs.

### Program Descriptions

#### A PEAK BACK IN TIME

Journey with us to Wachusett’s past from the geologic era to today. In this talk at the Visitor Center, we will explore the last ice age, the Nipmuc people, the summit houses, the Civilian Conservation Corps, and much more. *Appropriate for ages 8 and above.*

#### AS OLD AS THE HILLS

Wachusett Mountain is home to the only old-growth forest east of the Berkshires. This talk will share the history of these rare trees and how they have survived. *Appropriate for ages 13 and above.*

#### KIDLEIDOSCOPE

This program is designed to help young children understand the natural world around them. You’ll hear a story, participate in a short activity and make a craft to take home with you. *Appropriate for ages 3 to 6. Siblings are welcome, children must be accompanied by an adult.*

#### SPRING WILDFLOWER WALK

Did you know that there have been hundreds of wildflower species documented here? On this stroll we will look at the most common wildflowers here at Wachusett. *Appropriate for ages 10 and above. Approximately one mile over easy terrain.*

#### TREE ID WALK

Learn how to use leaves, tree shape, and bark to identify common species of trees. Impress your friends with your new knowledge. *Appropriate for ages 10 and up. Less than half a mile on easy terrain.*

#### WALKING WITH THE ANCIENTS

We will take you to view some of the oldest trees found here at the mountain, many 300 years old or older. Wachusett Mountain has the only old-growth forest east of the Connecticut River in Massachusetts. *Appropriate for ages 13 and above. Approximately 2 miles over moderate terrain.*

#### WILD!LIFE ON THE MOUNTAIN

Discover the fascinating live of the “locals” during this talk at the Visitor Center. Learn about wildlife habitats, competition, and survival on Wachusett Mountain. See and touch the skins, skulls, and tracks of some of our native animals, including coyotes, deer, moose, bobcats, and bears. *Appropriate for ages 5 and above.*



Programs are free and open to the public. Reservations are not required. **An adult must accompany all children under the age of 15.** Reasonable accommodations available upon advance request. Please dress for the outdoors with sturdy footwear, and bring water, sunscreen, and insect repellent.

Programs are subject to cancellation based on staff availability and weather conditions.



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