



## Ohio State Parks Labor Day Weekend 2023 Events

*Programs and events are subject to change based on factors such as weather. Please visit the [ODNR Events Calendar](#) for up-to-date information, driving directions, individual park contact information, and more.*

### **Adams Lake State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 6-7 p.m. *Family Fishing* at the Boat Ramp. Equipment provided. Bring a valid Ohio Fishing License if 16 years or older.

### **Alum Creek State Park**

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m.-noon *Nature Center Animal Feed & Greet*.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 2-3 p.m. *Furs & Skulls & Tracks, Oh My!* Meet at the Nature Center.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 9-11 a.m. *Beginners Archery*. Meet at the Amphitheater in the Campground.

### **A.W. Marion State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 10:30-11:30 p.m. *The Park After Dark: Full Moon Hike*. Easy hike of approximately one mile on the Bear Corn Trail. Meet at the Campground Check-In Station on the east side of the lake.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 4:30-7 p.m. *Kayak Tour*. Explore Hargus Lake by kayak. Participants must be 10 years or older and able to kayak independently. Meet at the Boat Rental Office on the west side of the lake. First-come, first-served.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 7:30-9:30 p.m. *Beat the Heat Evening Hike*. Meet at the Campground Check-In Station on the east side of the lake.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 6-8 a.m. *Sunrise Kayak Tour*. For participants 10 years or older. Meet at the Boat Rental Office on the west side of the lake. First-come, first-served.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 8:30-10 a.m. *Summer Hike*. Moderate difficulty. Meet at the Boat Rental Office on the west side of the lake.

### **Beaver Creek State Park**

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. *Foraging Hike on the Upper Salamander Trail*. Meet at the Campground Amphitheater.

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 12-3 p.m. *Pioneer Village Comes Alive* with the Friends of Beaver Creek.
- Saturday, Sept. 2 & Sunday, Sept. 3, 1-5 p.m. Beaver Creek Wildlife Education Center open to the public.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 2-4 p.m. *Hikers Club* on the Fisherman's Trail. Meet at the Trailhead by Hambleton's Mill (across from the Group Camp area).

### **Buck Creek State Park**

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 10 a.m.-noon *Basic Kayaking*.
  - Sunday, September 3, *Kayak Adventure Follow-Up*. Pre-approval required.
- For all kayaking programs at Buck Creek, call Erica for more information and to register: 937-323-1582. With enough interest, additional sessions may be added.

### **Burr Oak State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 4-5 p.m. *Reptiles Up Close* at the Lodge Lobby.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 8-11 a.m. 1.5 mile *Hike with the Naturalist* followed by breakfast in the Lodge Shelter House. Cost: \$15 per person. Register in advance: 740-818-4530 or Julie.Gee@dnr.ohio.gov.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 10-11 a.m. *Critters of the Campground* with furs and skulls. Meet at the Amphitheater.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 2-3 p.m. *The Magic of Monarchs* at the Nature Center.

### **Caesar Creek State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 8 p.m.-midnight *Stargazing*. Meet with the Naturalist and Wright State University Astronomers at the Public Beach Shelter House to take a closer look at stars, planets, galaxies, and more.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. *Kayak/Canoe Wildlife Excursion*. Meet at the Yak Shack near the Campground Boat Ramp. First-come, first-served.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1:30-2:30 p.m. *Stand-Up Paddle Boarding*. Meet at the SUP Hut near the Campground Boat Ramp. First-come, first-served.
- Monday, Sept. 3, 1-2 p.m. *Archery*. Meet at the Nature Center.

### **Cowan Lake State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 12-2 p.m. *Insect Invasion*. A discussion and hike to discover the wonderful world of insects. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 4-5 p.m. *Raptor and Reptile Feeding*. Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 9-10:30 a.m. *Canoe Excursion*. Meet at the boathouse on the Campground Beach for a canoe excursion through Lotus Cove. First-come, first-served.

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. *Stand-Up Paddleboarding*. For ages 16 & older. First-come, first-served. Meet at the boathouse on the Campground Beach.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1-3 p.m. *Youth Kayaking*. Learn simple paddling tips in this intro to kayaking for participants 15 years and younger. Meet at the Campground Beach.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 11 a.m.-noon *Animal Encounters*. Meet at the back porch of the Commissary.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 3-4 p.m. *Youth Archery*. Meet behind the Nature Center. For ages 15 & under.

### **Deer Creek State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1-3, times vary. *Art in the Parks: Soundscapes of Nature with Amy Dennison*. For more information and to register, see <https://www.deercreekparklodge.com/about/arts-in-the-parks>.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 5:30-6:30 p.m. *Critters & Cream*. Make an ice cream sundae and visit with an educational animal. \$2.50 for ice cream. Meet at the Lodge.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 7:30-8:30 p.m. *Moth Night*. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, *Kayak Excursion*. 11 a.m. and noon For more information: 740.869.3508.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1:30-2:30 p.m. *Reptile Invasion*. Meet at the Campground Shelter House.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 5-6 p.m. *Mammal Who's Who*. Play a fun game to learn about animals. Meet at the Lodge Lobby.

### **Delaware State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 4-5:30 p.m. *Intro to Fishing*. Meet at the youth fishing pond. Ohio fishing license required for participants 16 and older.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 10 a.m.-noon *Intro to Kayaking*. Meet at the far end of the parking lot to the right of the Marina. For participants 10 & older who can operate their own kayak.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 2:30-3:30 p.m. *Play Today!* Celebrate National Play Outside Day with a selection of games and other outdoor activities. Meet at the Campground Shelter House.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 3-4 p.m. *Invasive Invaders*. Learn to identify some iconic invasive species and understand their impact. Includes a short hike. Meet at the Picnic Tables in front of the Marina.

## **Dillon State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 6:30-8:30 p.m. *Twilight Kayak Cruise*. A fun and informative evening cruise of the lake by kayak. For ages 12 & older; previous kayak experience required. Register in advance with the Naturalist: [Michael.Durst@dnr.ohio.gov](mailto:Michael.Durst@dnr.ohio.gov).
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 4-5:30 p.m. *Intro to Archery*. A beginner archery session for ages 8 & older. Wear closed-toe shoes; meet at the Archery Range.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 6:30-8:30 p.m. *Summer Trail Adventure*. Explore nature on a moderate, one-mile hike. Meet at the Camp Store Stage.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 9-10:30 p.m. *Movie Night: The Super Mario Bros. Movie* at the Camp Store Stage.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 10-11:30 a.m. *Summer Trail Adventure*. Explore nature on an easy, one-mile hike. Meet at the Park Office.

## **East Fork State Park**

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 10:30 a.m.-noon *Discovery Hike*. A rotting log is home to living things. Take a closer look! Meet at the Whippoorwill Trailhead.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 2-4 p.m. *Archery*. A beginner archery session for ages 8 & older. Wear closed-toe shoes; meet at the Shelter in Loop C. Safety orientation begins at 2 p.m.; arrive early.

## **East Harbor State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m. *Kayaking*. 1-hour beginners' program. Space is limited; register in advance at 419-967-3777 or [Emily.Rugg@dnr.ohio.gov](mailto:Emily.Rugg@dnr.ohio.gov).
- Friday, Sept. 1, 5:15-5:45 p.m. *Pinecone Bird Feeders*. Meet at the Nature Center next to the Camp Store.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 6-6:30 p.m. *Many Muddy Macros*. Meet at the fishing pond near Lockwood Shelter house to look for dragonflies, crayfish and more.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 6:45-7:30 p.m. *Look at Life Through Different Eyes Hike*. Meet at the basketball court across from the fisherman's parking lot.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m. *Kayaking*. 1-hour beginners' program. Space is limited; register in advance at 419-967-3777 or [Emily.Rugg@dnr.ohio.gov](mailto:Emily.Rugg@dnr.ohio.gov).
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 5:15-5:45 p.m. *Star Spotter*. Make a star spotter out of recycled materials. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 6-6:30 p.m. *Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Replant*. Turn recyclables into planters for Ohio native plants. Bring your own container. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 6:45-7:30 p.m. *Pollinator Hike*. Meet at Lockwood Shelter.

## **Findley State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 2 pm., 4 p.m., 6 p.m. *Paddlecraft Friday*. Join the Naturalist on an informative trip by kayak. For participants 12 years and older. Space is limited; register in advance via email to [Williard.Moore@dnr.ohio.gov](mailto:Williard.Moore@dnr.ohio.gov). Specify time date, time and number of participants.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 10-11:30 a.m. *Reel Fishin' Fun*. Meet at the Campground Boat Ramp.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 12-2 p.m. *Meet the Naturalist*. Visitor Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1-2:30 p.m. *Introduction to Bird Watching*. Visitor Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 3-5 p.m. *Gyotaku*. Learn about the traditional Japanese method of printing fish. Meet at the Nature Center in the Visitor Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 6-7 p.m. *Nature by Kayak*. Sign-up in the Visitor Center for an easy paddle on Findley Lake. Meet at the Campground Boat Ramp.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 8-9:30 p.m. *Saturday Night at the Movies*. Meet at the Amphitheater.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 8:30-9:30 a.m. *Early Bird Walk*. Meet at the Campground Boat Ramp.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 12:30-2 p.m. *Intro to Outdoor Photography*. Meet at the Nature Center inside the Visitor Center.

## **Hocking Hills State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 2-3 p.m. *Who's at the Lodge?* Meet the park's resident, rescue owl and learn whooo's calling in the night. Meet at the Lodge Patio (or Lobby if poor weather).
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 10-11 a.m. *Who's Hoo?* Find out who's calling in the night. Meet at the Historic Cabin behind the Old Man's Cave Visitor Center.

## **Hueston Woods State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. *Morning Hike*. Meet at the Nature Center for a stroll through the woods with a Naturalist.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 2-3 p.m. *Fossil Expedition*. Meet at the Nature Center to search for signs of prehistoric life and collect fossils.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 4-5 p.m. *SUP Excursion*. Learn stand-up paddle boarding basics and take a guided trip on Acton Lake. Space is limited; sign-up in advance at the Nature Center beginning at 9 a.m.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 6-7 p.m. *Pontoon Trip*. A tour of Acton Lake led by a Naturalist. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 9-9:30 p.m. *Campfire & Questions*. Ask the Naturalist questions and learn about the park prior to the Night Hike. Meet at the Indian Mound in the Campground.

- Friday, Sept. 1, 9:30-10:30 p.m. *Night Hike*. Leave your flashlight behind as you hike by moonlight on the Indian Mound Trail in the Campground.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m.-noon *Wildlife Invasion!* Meet at the Lodge for a closer look at Ohio's wildlife.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, noon-1 p.m. *Kayak Excursion*. Learn kayaking basics and take a guided trip on Acton Lake. Space is limited; sign-up in advance at the Nature Center beginning at 9 a.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1-2 p.m. *Afternoon Hike*. Meet at the Nature Center for a stroll through the woods with a Naturalist. Bring your vehicle; participants will drive to the trailhead.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 2-3 p.m. *Canoe Excursion*. Learn canoeing basics and take a guided trip on Acton Lake. Space is limited; sign-up in advance at the Nature Center beginning at 9 a.m.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 3-4 p.m. *Creekin'*. What creatures can be found in the park's creeks? Meet at the Nature Center to find out.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 4-5 p.m. *Raptors of Ohio*. Get a closer look at some of the resident birds of prey. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 5-6 p.m. *Orienteering*. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 6-7 p.m. *Cast Netting*. Learn how to throw a cast net to catch fish. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 7-8 p.m. *Reptile Show*. Learn about Ohio's native, scaly residents and see some up close. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 11 a.m.-noon *Archery*. Meet at the Archery Range.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 2-3 p.m. *Fossil Expedition*. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 4-5 p.m. *SUP Excursion*. Sign-up at the Nature Center beginning at 9 a.m.
- Monday, Sept. 4, 10-11 a.m. *Raptors of Ohio*. Get a closer look at some of the resident birds of prey. Meet at the Center Circle in the Campground.
- Monday, Sept. 4, 2-3 p.m. *Afternoon Hike*. Meet at the Nature Center.

### **Indian Lake State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 4-5p.m. *Archery*. Learn the basics of archery. For registered campers; ages 8 & older. Meet behind the Multi-Purpose Building.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m.-noon *Nature Trail Walk*. Meet in the Campground parking lot.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1-2 p.m. *For Kids: Nature Scavenger Hunt*. For registered campers. Meet behind the Multi-Purpose Building.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 3-4 p.m. *For Kids: Fishing*. For registered campers. Meet at the Outpost.

- Sunday, Sept. 3, 11-11:30 a.m. *Skins & Skulls*. For registered campers. Meet at the Multi-Purpose Building for a look at furs and skulls of Ohio animals.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 12-12:30 p.m. *Cast Netting*. For registered campers. Learn how to throw a cast net and see what you can catch. Meet at the Outpost.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 10-10:30 p.m. *Ring of Fire*. Inspired by an American Indian tradition, residents and business owners will place flares around the 5,800 acre Indian Lake to mark the beginning of autumn.
- Monday, Sept. 4, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. *Kayaking*. For registered campers; ages 12 & older. Space is limited. Sign-up at the front of the Multi-Purpose Building; meet at the Outpost.

### **Lake Alma State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 11 a.m.-noon *Late Bloomers*. Look for late summer wildflowers. Meet at the last parking lot, just past the campground.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1-2 p.m. *Archery*. Meet below the dam.

### **Lake Hope State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 10-11:30 a.m. *Archery*. Recommended for ages 8 & older. Meet at the Archery Range.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 2-3 p.m. *Turtle Time*. Meet and learn about the resident turtles. Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 8:30-9:30 a.m. *Late Bloomers & Butterflies*. Learn about the relationship between pollinators and plants as you stroll alongside native wildflowers. Meet at Hope Furnace.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m.-noon *Roly Poly Races*. Discover fascinating facts about pill bugs then see which one will cross the finish line first! Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 2-3 p.m. *The Science of Bubbles*. Experiment with bubble making and learn where bubbles might “pop” up in nature. Nature Center.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 8:30-9:30 a.m. *Morning Meditation*. Enjoy a quiet morning walk and meditation inside a recess cave. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 11 a.m.-noon *Natural Art*. Create your own masterpiece with natural materials. Nature Center.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 2-3 p.m. *Animal Olympics*. How do you compare to some of nature’s athletes? Test yourself in feats of skill and coordination! Nature Center.

### **Lake Loramie State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 4-5 p.m. *Beginners Archery*. Meet at the archery field between SR 362 and the ADA Boat Launch.

- Friday, Sept. 1, 8:45-10:45 p.m. *Camp Movie: Once Upon a Forest*. Amphitheater. For registered campers.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 8-9 a.m. *Camp Breakfast*. For registered campers.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 9 a.m.-noon *Catch Me if You Can*. Meet at the Beach Parking Lot to try your luck at hooking a catfish. For participants 17 years old & under.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1-2 p.m. *Junior Naturalists: Fall Nature Bingo Hike*. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1-3:30 p.m. *Nature Center and History Museum Open*.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 3-4 p.m. *Craft: Sock Worms*. For registered campers. Make a craft with the Camp Host. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 4-5 p.m. *Archery*. Meet at the Campground Amphitheater. Closed-toed shoes & child supervision is required.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 8:45-10:45 p.m. *Camp Movie: Brave*. Amphitheater. For registered campers.

### **Lake Milton State Park**

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. *SUP Yoga with Shaka Fitness*. More information at [shakafit.com](http://shakafit.com).
- Monday, Sept. 4, 10-11:30 a.m. *SUP Yoga with Shaka Fitness*. More information at [shakafit.com](http://shakafit.com).

### **Lake White State Park**

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 10-11 a.m. *Kayaking*. Meet at the Boat Ramp at 2767 State Route 551 in Waverly. Space is limited to 6 people.

### **Marblehead Lighthouse State Park**

- Daily, through Labor Day. Tours begin every 20 minutes 12-3:40 p.m. \$3 per person (under 5 years-free).

### **Malabar Farm State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. *Farm Fridays*. Fun for the whole family at the Main Barn beside the Big House.

### **Maumee Bay State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 4:15-4:45 p.m. *Nature Night*. See some of the Nature Center's education animals up close.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 5:15-5:45 p.m. *Campground Creature Feature*. Meet at the Campground Shelter House to learn about Ohio wildlife.

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 4:15-4:45 p.m. *Nature Night*. See some of the Nature Center's education animals up close.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 5:15-5:45 p.m. *Campground Creature Feature*. Meet at the Campground Shelter House to learn about Ohio wildlife.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 1-1:30 p.m. *Hungry, Hungry Reptiles*. What's for lunch? See how the educational animals are fed at the Nature Center.
- Monday, Sept. 4, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. *Nature Center Open-Labor Day Hours*.

### **Mohican State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1-Sunday, Sept. 3, times vary. *Art in the Parks: Words in the Wild Poetry & Nature Workshop with Cynthia Amoah*. For more information and to register, see <https://www.mohicanlodge.com/about/arts-in-the-parks>.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 9 a.m. *Morning Coffee & Suspension Bridge Hike*. Meet at the Camp Store.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 12:30 p.m. *Archery*. Registration required by noon 8/31; 567-223-0019.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 3 p.m. *Wondering Naturalist*. Class A Campground.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 4:30 p.m. *Reptile Ramblings*. Meet at the Camp Store.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 7 p.m. *Indoor Movie*. Meet at the Camp Store.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. *Mohican Experts Hike*. Moderate hike; 4-6 miles in length. Watch the park's Facebook page for this hike's meeting instructions.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1 p.m. *Why Does the Cricket Sing?* Meet at the Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 3 p.m. *Creeking*. Class A Campground Picnic Area.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 7-8 p.m. *S'mores & Spooky Stories*. Bring your s'more ingredients to a spooky campfire. Stories are appropriate for early teens and older. Meet at the Cline Cabin.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 9-10 a.m. *Campfire Breakfast*. Samples only. Meet at Cline Cabin.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 11 a.m. *Wondering Naturalist*. Class A Campground.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 4-5 p.m. *Origami Craft*. Meet at Lodge.

### **Mount Gilead State Park**

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 10 a.m.-noon *Fishing Competition*. A family-friendly fishing derby with prizes. Closed-toe shoes, please; limited equipment available. Those 16 & older must have a valid Ohio fishing license. Meet at the kayak launch.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 2-4 p.m. *Archery*. Learn the basics of archery. Ages 8 & older. Register in advance by calling 419-982-5096.

### **Nelson-Kennedy Ledges State Park**

- Sunday, Sept. 3, 1-2 p.m. *Fern Identification Hike*. Join the Naturalist for a guided hike to identify ferns. Meet at the park information board.

### **Paint Creek State Park**

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 8:30-10:30 a.m. *VIP Breakfast*. Park volunteers will offer breakfast at the Shelter House; donations appreciated.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 12-1 p.m. *Buggin' Out*. Go on a bug hunt and learn about insects. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 6-7 p.m. *Reuse, Reduce, Recycle*. Make a craft using recyclable items. Meet at the Nature Center.

### **Pike Lake State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 7-8 p.m. *What Lurks in the Lake*. Meet at the Nature Center behind the Camp Store.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 4-5 p.m. *Archery 101*. Meet at the Nature Center. Recommended for ages 7 and older.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 7-8 p.m. *Kayaking*. Recommended for ages 7 and older. Space is limited; meet at the Boat Docks.

### **Punderson State Park**

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 2-3 p.m. *Try -It: Archery*. Meet at the Nature Center.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 4:30-6 p.m. *Cast Iron Cooking*. Get some ideas for creative camp cuisine using cast iron. Meet at the Campground Amphitheater.
- Monday, Sept. 4, 9-10:30 a.m. *Journaling Walk*. Meet at the Nature Center for a short, easy hike and learn about journaling.

### **Rocky Fork State Park**

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. *Labor Day Weekend Festivities*. Bike parade, crafts & movies for registered campers.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 9 a.m.-noon *Morning Hike*. Meet at the Welcome Center and carpool to a nearby area for a guided hike.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 4-6 p.m. *Woodland Hike*. Discover plants, fungi and scenic views.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 10 a.m.-noon *Explore the Shore*. Meet at the Welcome Center to carpool to a nearby kayaking area. Space is limited; first-come, first-served. For ages 12 & older with adult supervision.

## **Salt Fork State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 4:30-6 p.m. *Fishin' Friday*. Pre-register at Camp Check-In. Meet behind Sugartree Marina. Valid Ohio fishing license required for those 16 & older.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m.-noon *Hosak's Cave Hike*. Hike to a unique geological landmark. Meet at the Hosak's Cave parking lot.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1-2 p.m. *Snakes Alive!* Meet at the Nature Center to learn about snakes.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 4:30-6 p.m. *Canoe Excursion*. Pre-register at Camp Check-In for an evening canoe excursion. Meet at the Hosak's Cave parking lot.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 8-10 p.m. *Bigfoot Hike*. Meet at the picnic shelter near the Camp Check-In for a one mile hike in search of Bigfoot.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 11 a.m.-noon *Creekin'*. Go in search of creek critters. Meet at the Stonehouse Nature Trail parking lot.

## **Scioto Trail State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 4-6 p.m. *Roaming Naturalist*.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 6-7 p.m. *Old Church Open House*. Explore the historic old log church (across from the playground) and talk to the Naturalist.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 7-8 p.m. *Critter Craze*. Meet today's featured creatures! Meet at the Old Church
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m.-noon *Creeking Expedition*. Meet at the Old Church to wade into the creek in search of critters.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, noon-1 p.m. *Wildlife Games*.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 2-3 p.m. *Nature Play*. Enjoy activities at the Naturalist Camp up the hill behind the basketball court.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 3-4 p.m. *Friendship Trail Hike*.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 5-6 p.m. *Rock Painting*.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 6-7 p.m. *Evening Stroll Around Lake Caldwell*. Look for wildlife as you walk along the lake. Meet at the Old Church.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 10-11 a.m. *Recycled Art in the Park*. Meet at the Old Church.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 2-3 p.m. *All About Birds*.
- Mon., Sept. 4, 10-11 a.m. *Nature Play*. Enjoy activities at the Naturalist Camp up the hill behind the basketball court.

## **Shawnee State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 7-9 p.m. | Saturday, Sept. 2, 4-6 p.m. | Sun. Sept. 3, 9:30-11:30 a.m. *Art in the Parks: Ukrainian Egg Decorating with Ginny Baughman*. More information and registration at <https://www.shawneeparklodge.com/about/arts-in-the-parks>. \$10 fee.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 4-5 p.m. *Archery for All*. Meet at the Nature Center Archery Range.

### **Stonelick State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 4-6 p.m. *Mammals of Ohio*. Get a close look at furs and skulls of Ohio mammals. Meet at the Friends of Stonelick Shelter in the Campground.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 7-8 p.m. *Discovery Hike: Southwoods Trail*. Learn about how nocturnal animals have adapted to thrive at night. Meet at the trailhead, across from the Camp Office.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 6 p.m. – Saturday, Sept. 2, 9 p.m. *Labor Day/Bigfoot Weekend*. Enjoy a fun-filled evening with games, trivia, scavenger hunts and a hayride. All are welcome.

### **Tar Hollow State Park**

- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m. *Amy's Critters*.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1 p.m. *State Forest Creeking Expedition*.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 4 p.m. *Hike the Homestead Trail*.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 7:30 p.m. *End of Season Nature's Kid Zone Campfire & Stories*.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 1 p.m. *Creek Habitat Creations*.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 4 p.m. *Wild Edible and Medicinal Plant Hike*.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 6 p.m. *Wildlife Games*.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 8:30 p.m. *Creatures of the Night*.
- Mon. Sept. 4, 11 a.m. *The Magical World of Hummingbirds*.

### **West Branch State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 5-6:30 p.m. *Friday Fishin' Fun*. Meet at the Campground Boat Launch. Participants 16 & older need a valid Ohio fishing license.
- Friday, Sept. 1, 7-8 p.m. *Learn to Tie-Dye*. Purchase a white t-shirt with tie-dye kit from the Camp Store and learn some tie-dye techniques. Meet at the friends group building next to the Camp Store.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m.-noon *Binocular and Bird Hike*. Make your own binoculars out of recycled materials and go on a hike to look for birds. Meet at the friends group building next to the Camp Store.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1-3 p.m. *Creek Crawl*. Explore what critters can be found in the creek. Meet in front of the Camp Store to drive to the creek on Calvin Rd.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 4-6 p.m. *Archery*. Meet at the Amphitheater by the Camp Store to learn the basics of archery. For participants 6 years & older.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 10 a.m.-11 a.m. *Intro to Kayaking*. Learn the basics of kayaking and take a short paddle around Jay Lake. Register in advance by visiting or calling the Camp Store at 330-296-3239 or emailing [Amanda.Grexa@dnr.ohio.gov](mailto:Amanda.Grexa@dnr.ohio.gov). For adults and children 12 & older.

## **Wingfoot Lake State Park**

- Friday, Sept. 1, 11 a.m.-noon *Fitness Hike*. Meet at the Nature Center to learn about the wildlife that calls the park home as you enjoy a brisk hike.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 11 a.m.-noon *Feeding Frenzy*. What's for lunch? Meet at the Nature Center to watch how the animals are fed.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 1-2 p.m. *Squirrels*. Meet at the Nature Center to look at the nutty world of squirrels.
- Saturday, Sept. 2, 3-4 p.m. *Geology Rocks!* Learn about common rocks that can be found in the park. Nature Center.
- Sunday, Sept. 3, 3-4 p.m. *Turtle Walks*. Hang out with the Naturalist while the ambassador turtle gets some exercise. Nature Center.
- Monday, Sept. 4, Nature Center open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.