

Wissahickon Environmental Center Calendar

Connecting children, adults and families to the outdoors!

Winter '14

THURSDAY TOTS

Bring your little one for an hour of discovery at the Tree House. Each month we will explore a new topic that celebrates the season.

Winter Sleepers: January 16 1-2 pm

Learn about chipmunks and groundhogs and play in a kid-sized chipmunk home.

Maple Trees and Treats: February 20 1-2 pm

Search for the special Sugar Maple tree and taste its fresh sap. Watch how the sap turns into Maple Syrup and taste our home made maple syrup on pancakes.

Kites and Wind Wands March 20 1-2 pm

Celebrate the March winds blowing by making a wind wand and going outside to make it fly.

Ages 3-5. Parents stay with their child.

Please register in advance. \$2.00 /child per lesson

Un-Valentines Full Moon Hike

Friday, February 14, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Need something to do with a few of your single friends this Valentine's Day? Enjoy a hike in the winter woods with old friends and new. Afterwards, warm up around the camp fire with marshmallows and a box of chocolates! **Adults only. Registration is required. \$5.00/person**



Maple Sugar Day

Saturday, February 22 11:00am - 3:00 pm

Join us on Forbidden Drive (near Northwestern Avenue)



for our annual MAPLE SUGAR DAY.

There will be ongoing maple sugaring demonstrations, mini pancakes served with real maple syrup, a taste test of different pancake toppings, as well as freshly made maple candy to taste.

Pennsylvania Maple Syrup products will be available for purchase. **(NO registration necessary – Visit between 11:00-3:00). All ages. FREE**

Bug Out

Saturday, March 8 10:00 – 11:30am

Learn how to make simple pest control products that can keep harmful chemicals away from children and pets and out of our water supply. You'll get to mix up concoctions to take home to kick out your unwanted pests! **Ages 12 & up. Registration is required. \$5/person**

Tastes of Spring

Saturday, March 22 1:00 - 2:30 pm

Celebrate the first weekend of spring searching for the earliest leaves of the new season. Enjoy some spicebush tea, and other dishes made with some of the plants that we find. **All ages. Registration is required. Free**

***Registration is required for all programs unless otherwise noted.**

Call 215-685-9285 or email WEC@phila.gov to register.

**PHILADELPHIA
PARKS &
RECREATION**

Winter Wonderland Exploration

Saturday, January 11 1:00 - 3:00 pm



Hike the forest in the winter looking for signs of animals- footprints, scat, and homes. Bundle up and explore- off the beaten path. **Ages 6-12. Parents are not**

required to stay with their child. Free

A Walk through the Winter Skies

Thursday, January 30 7:30 - 9:30 pm

(Cloud date, Friday, January 31)

Spend an evening exploring the magnificent winter skies. Learn about some of the brightest constellations and the amazing astronomical objects found within them. Bring your binoculars and warm clothes. **All ages. Space is very limited. Registration is required. Free**

Snowflake Fun

Saturday, February 8 1:00- 3:00 pm

Learn how snowflakes form, create your own ice sun catcher, and help make ice cream to enjoy! Then, if it's snowy outside, bring your boots and sled to have fun in the snow. **All ages. Space is very limited. Registration is required. Free**



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