MASS AUDUBON

MOOSE HILL
WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

It’s Maple Sugaring Time

Winter/Spring
PROGRAMS and EVENTS
January - April 2017
100 Years and Counting!
Throughout 2016, Moose Hill celebrated 100 years as the first Mass Audubon sanctuary and what a great year it has been. From the statewide celebration at all sanctuaries on the 100th day in April 2016, to reconnecting with former sanctuary directors, campers, visitors, past staff, and volunteers throughout the year – sharing stories and memories – it was wonderful to see how Moose Hill has grown both in size and reach over the years. And, yet, we also realized how much we have stayed the same. We still connect people with the fields, forests, and wetlands of Moose Hill, whether they are enjoying a hike on our trails, coming for a program, spending a week or more with us during summer camp, volunteering their time, enjoying the gallery, or returning for an annual special event that is now a part of their own family traditions.

We thank you all for making Moose Hill a part of your lives and we look forward to continuing to welcome you for the next 100 years.

See you on the trails,
Karen Stein
Sanctuary Director

Trail Closure
Please note that the Billings Farm Loop and all trails leading to the fire tower and bluffs will be closed to hikers during the Maple Sugaring Weekends on March 19, 25, and 26. You can still hike the vernal pool trails (fabulous chance to hear spring peepers), or enjoy a hike out to Hobbs Hill; however, we advise hikers to visit us on a non-event day as parking will be tight.

Organic Farm Shares
From late May to early October receive a weekly pickup of fresh organic vegetables grown right here at Moose Hill! Enrollment for the 2017 summer community supported agriculture (CSA) program begins on January 16. Learn more about our program and our farming philosophy at massaudubon.org/moosehillcsa.

Cookie’s Garden
Our new nature play area continues to have new pieces added and once the sensory gardens have gone in, look for our grand opening celebration this spring. Donations are still being accepted so that we can complete all the projects. To learn more, contact Karen Stein, Sanctuary Director.

Mrs. A Retires
Kay Andberg, the Camp Director and Education Coordinator for the past 23 years, retired at the end of 2016. Join us on Sunday, May 21, for a chance to celebrate Kay! Watch the monthly enewsletter, News from the Hill for more details in the coming months; see below to learn how to sign up for the enewsletter.

March Raffle Madness
Want a chance to win a fantastic raffle basket? Camping, Honey, Maple Syrup, Taste of Italy, Breakfast, Sports, and Wine are just some of the basket themes. Watch for our March Raffle Madness and your chance to support the educational programming at Moose Hill and win a great prize too!

Bird-a-thon 2017
Last year, in honor of 100 years, we had 100 donors support the Moose Hill team for Bird-a-thon – 24 hours of birding where we try to spot more species of birds throughout the state than any other sanctuary team. Our team has taken second place the last two years, perhaps can we finally take home the top prize this May. Find out more at massaudubon.org/birdathon.

Connect with Us
Sign up for our monthly enewsletter, News from the Hill, and enjoy a little bit of Moose Hill every month. Visit massaudubon.org/moosehill and scroll down to find the enews sign up section on the right.

Share your Moose Hill adventures and more at facebook.com/MassAudubonMooseHill.

Subscribe to our blog, Moose Hill Tracks and Trails, to get all the latest news delivered to your inbox. Visit blogs.massaudubon.org/moosehilltracksandtrails to sign up.

Sharing photos from Moose Hill on Instagram? Be sure to add Mass Audubon Moose Hill Wildlife Sanctuary as the location and tag your photos #moosehill.
Sky...Looking Up
January 12 – April 3
The sky is an incredible pallet of ever changing images, colors and textures that set the stage for unbelievable performances. Day or night, the sky can inspire wonderment!

This exhibit showcases the artists' observations and perceptions about these spectacles in the sky. Simple or complex: the moon, sun, planets, clouds and stars - the possibilities are infinite! Artists expressed their work in their chosen medium, style, and interpretation. View these stunning works!

Gallery Information
The Moose Hill Gallery is open daily 10am to 4pm. All of the exhibits emphasize innovative connections to and perspectives on nature using diverse mediums. Visit massaudubon.org/moosehill and click on the “Exhibits” tab for additional information.

Call to Artists for Upcoming Juried Nature Series

Spring Awakenings Exhibit
April 7 – June 19
The emergence, drama and magic of Spring is viewed and perceived in a myriad of ways. Share your insight and artistic inspiration of the natural world reawakening through your artwork. Let your creative expressions and interpretations reveal this rebirth in this nature theme. Deadline for submission is March 6.

Solo Nature Exhibit
June 23 – September 8
Artists are invited to submit their own nature based thematic proposal for the opportunity to exhibit their art work in an individual or partnered show. In addition to the regular submission criteria (see below), please submit a written proposal of your theme. The criteria for judging will include treatment of the subject matter, its relevance to nature, command of individual craft, and the ability to engage the viewer. The gallery can accommodate 26 to 35 framed pieces sized 16”x20,” but is not limited to this size. The curator will work with selected artists to hang the exhibit. Deadline for submission is May 15.

Criteria for Submissions
Any medium is acceptable for the show; artists are invited to submit up to five (8”x10”) photo prints, not matted or framed, for judging purposes only. All prints must be labeled on the back with contact information, dimensions, title, and medium. Entry fee is $15; please provide a stamped return envelope if you would like your photos returned. Submissions can be dropped off or mailed to: Jan Nareski Goba, 293 Moose Hill Parkway, Sharon, MA 02067.

If entry is selected for the show, all works need to be framed appropriately and ready to hang, meeting quality standards. All other mediums must come prepared for display. For additional information, please contact Jan Nareski Goba at jngoba@massaudubon.com.

Birds of Prey Art Exhibit
A festive and fascinating evening was experienced by many at the Birds of Prey artist's reception this past fall. This rich and multi-faceted exhibit, by a juried group of 23 creative artists from various regions included: Amanda Baker, Polo Barrera, Jim Borrebach, Arni Cheatham, Ken Conway, Chris O'Dell Ferguson, Scott Goetz, Ann M Corbett, Barry Lane Hall, Nelson Hammer, Jim Housley, Ryan Douglas Jacque, Ingrid Johnson, Sarah Keates, Karen Kent, Mark Landman, Anna Le Blanc, Dorcas MacClintock, Siamak Samiean, Stephanie Sioras, Maryellen Stone, Mary Webster, Mary Wilkas, and Charles Wood.

Adding to this remarkable evening, trained naturalist, Perry Ellis, from Mass Audubon’s Blue Hills Trailside Museum, presented several live birds of prey. Perry offered a rare close up glimpse of these fascinating creatures while describing their individual nuances.
Owls
Owls are one of the top predators at Moose Hill. Begin with a brief indoor presentation about what makes owls such amazing hunters and then head outside to search for them. While on the trail call and listen for any responses while exploring the sanctuary with your own night vision. In the event of extreme cold, the walk may be shortened.

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Brunch with the Eagles
Bald Eagles can be found flying over open water in search of food during the wintertime. One of the best places to find them is along the Connecticut River. Join Doug Williams, Director at Stony Brook, and Karen Stein, Director at Moose Hill for a trip along the Connecticut River from its outlet into Long Island Sound up stream to Haddam CT. See spectacular views of the eagles as they perch on trees along the river at such locations as Gillette Castle State Park near the Goodspeed Opera House. Then relax and warm up as we enjoy a leisurely and delicious brunch at the famous Griswold Inn in Essex, CT. After our meal we will walk down to the dock in Essex for one last look at the river before heading back home.

Price includes guides, travel and brunch (non-alcoholic beverages). Bring camera, binoculars, a spotting scope if you have one, and your favorite bird app or book. Please plan to dress in layers and wear appropriate winter shoes for your comfort as we will have time in a heated van as well as time outside along the river.

We will travel as a group by van leaving from and returning to Stony Brook in Norfolk. If you would prefer to meet at Moose Hill at 7:30 am and travel with the van to Stony Brook to collect the rest of the group, please leave a comment when registering and we will confirm. Snow date will be Sunday, March 5.

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Late Winter Bird Identification
If you have ever wondered about what types of birds overwinter in the forests of Massachusetts and visit your feeders each day, then this class will answer many of your questions. Join Teacher Naturalist, Michael Acciavatti, for a short birding walk around Moose Hill and learn simple techniques that will help you to identify most of our resident birds, and a few long distance migrants. Binoculars will be provided. Warm up at the end with coffee and Italian cookies!

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Moose Hill Walkers
Join Patti Austin for a weekly walk to see the arrival of the season while learning the trails for walks later on your own. Walks are rain or shine, but may be shortened in inclement weather. Participants must be able to maintain a steady pace for the hour and should wear sturdy shoes as we traverse both flat and rocky terrain.

Register for the entire series, or come for just one or two walks. The fee per individual walk is $5 for members and $8 for nonmembers, and is paid upon arrival. Please note, we will not meet on April 17.

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Our Changing Forests and the American Chestnut
The American Chestnut tree (Castanea dentata) once grew to enormous proportions throughout its natural range and comprised more than 25 percent of the forest canopy. Overharvesting of its wood and delicious fruit, accompanied by a debilitating disease, has reduced this once dominant tree to a small understory growth form. Venture along the trails of Moose Hill with Teacher Naturalist, Michael Acciavatti, to locate and identify American Chestnut trees, investigate the disease that continues to inflict them, and come to understand how its demise has influenced the forest ecosystem and local culture. Coffee and cookies will be provided at the end!

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Vernal Pool Afterhours
Many people are fascinated and passionate about the migration of frogs and salamanders at just the right time in the spring – Big Night. The perfect moment, often in the middle of the night during the first warm spring rain, can be really hard to predict so let’s not try! Spring is upon us and chances are you have already heard some of the telltale signs – spring peepers. We will head out just before sundown for a walk to our most prominent vernal pools to listen and see what might be happening. As the woods become dark, we will listen and look for other signs of activity on the sanctuary. You will leave knowing a bit more about vernal pools and better able to decipher the sounds of spring.

Bring a flashlight or head lamp in case you need one – we will try to do much of the walk with minimal light; it’s amazing what your eyes can see when they adjust to the dark. Program will run in light rain, come prepared for our outdoor adventure.

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Mindfulness & Women’s Wellness Workshop
Experience and cultivate positive approaches to building resilience and happiness into everyday life! Jan Cohn has designed a new Women’s Workshop that includes a guided, mindful trail walk in nature. This workshop explores practices to empower women to achieve an enriched sense of well-being and fulfillment. During this four hour session, Jan, a licensed wellness educator, will lead a relaxed paced 1½ hour nature walk and explore various methods and mindful practices for happiness and resilience. This workshop is for women of all ages, no experience necessary!

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Explore the Habitats of Moose Hill
While mainly forested, Moose Hill has a great diversity of habitats due to the amount of land it protects and its geographical position within New England. Join Teacher Naturalist Michael Acciavatti and head out onto our trails to discover how these habitats are responding to past land use, encroachment by invasive species, climate change, and more. We will also take a trip down to Moose Hill Farm and explore a special habitat, unique to southeastern Massachusetts—an Atlantic White Cedar Swamp!

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Avoid Disappointment... Register Early!

Looking for Space for a Gathering?
Moose Hill has a several rental options that may fit your needs for a family gathering, business retreat, or baby/bridal shower. We now also have an option to secure our picnic area for an outdoor event.

For more information, visit massaudubon.org/moosehill and click on the “Party & Function Rentals” tab or contact Patti Austin at paustin@massaudubon.org to discuss the possibilities.
About Vacation Day Programs: Children are divided into groups of similar ages and the activities for each group are adapted for their level. Preschoolers are expected to be self-sufficient in the bathroom and will have an afternoon rest time. A current Mass Audubon Health History and Waiver form must be on file prior to attendance. This form and the Vacation Day Information Packet will be emailed to you upon registration.

What to Bring: Pack two snacks (morning and afternoon), water, lunch, and both indoor and outdoor footwear. Dress or pack for the weather since we go out every day. If there is snow, we will play in it! Preschoolers should also bring a small blanket to rest on.

Extended Options: Participants enjoy indoor games, reading and/or outdoor play supervised by staff. Pick-up and drop-off may occur at any time during the extended period. Doors open at 7:15 am so you can catch the train! A late fee of $1 per minute starts at 6:05 pm. When registering online these options appear after you have selected your desired program. If you wish to add Extended Day after you have completed the registration, you will need to call us.

Refund Policy for Vacation Days: If Moose Hill is notified one week prior to the Monday of the session, you will receive a full refund. No refunds will be granted after this deadline has passed.

Preregistration is required: Call, mail in the form, or register online at massaudubon.org/moosehillprograms. These program names are slightly different online, use the key word “Vacation” to see the full listing.

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February Vacation Days - Our National Parks
February 20, 21, 22, 23, and/or 24

March Vacation Days - Our National Parks
March 13, 14, 15, 16, and/or 17

Explore a different National Park each day, discover why it was protected, and what animals live there during this fun week. We will also explore the wintry outdoor world of Moose Hill every day—be ready to play in the snow! Days are a blend of hands-on/minds-on activities, creative art projects and games. Register for one or more days of fun! Please note that our March session requires a minimum of 2 days.

Monday: Death Valley—desert tortoise and red spotted toad
Tuesday: Great Basin—big-eared bat and pronghorn
Wednesday: Yellowstone—bison and gray wolf
Thursday: Saguaro—javelina and spotted owl
Friday: Badlands—black-footed ferret and swift fox

April Vacation Days - National Park Explore
April 17, 18, 19, 20, and/or 21

Explore a different National Park each day, discover why it was protected, and what animals live there during this fun week. We will also explore the outdoor world of Moose Hill every day. Each day is a blend of hands-on/minds-on activities, outdoor explorations, creative art projects and games. Come and be amazed by the wonders of nature and our creative staff. Register for one or more days of fun!

Monday: Big Bend—black-capped vireo and black bear
Tuesday: Mammoth Cave—cave salamander and bats
Wednesday: Denali—grizzly bear and Dall sheep
Thursday: Everglades—spoonbill and Florida panther
Friday: Hawaii Volcano—nene goose and honu turtle

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Fee per day:
$65 member; $80 nonmember

Extended Options
Before Care: 7:15 – 9 am Fee: $8 per day
After Care: 4 – 6 pm Fee: $15 per day
**Ages 3 - 16**

**Hours:** 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
**Before Camp:** 7:15 - 9:00 am  
**After Camp:** 4:00 - 6:00 pm  

**June 19 - September 1, 2017**  
**Themed One-Week Sessions**

June fees are prorated for snow days.

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**Peepers Camp for ages 3 - 4**

Each day is a blend of outdoor and indoor activities designed to encourage curiosity and sensory awareness. Active play, walks and crafts are a part of every day. Campers must self-sufficient in the bathroom. Our lead instructors have extensive experience in teaching preschoolers. Ratio of 1 staff to 5 campers. See our full brochure for themes.

Half Day: 9 am - 12 noon  
$200 member, $265 nonmember  

Full Day: 9 am - 4 pm  
$330 member, $395 nonmember

**Nature Camp for ages 4.5 - 12**

Everyday is an adventure where kids learn life science and earth science while having fun with other kids and engaging teacher-counselors! Enjoy outdoor explorations, games, focused activities, and art projects. Objectives and activities differ for each age group.

- **Discoverers (ages 4.5 - 6)**  
- **Explorerers (ages 7 - 8)**  
- **Investigators (ages 9 - 12)**

Weekly themes include Habitats, Life Cycles, Adaptations, and more.  
$320 member, $385 nonmember

**Farm Camp for ages 8 - 12**

Play in the fields, harvest and cook vegetables, learn about organic farming, dabble in a beautiful pond and visit Ward’s Berry Farm! Campers are shuttled by van from base camp to the farm and back. Explore various methods of preparing and cooking food during different sessions.  
$380 member, $445 nonmember

**Art Camp for ages 9 - 13**

Have fun as you create art projects and develop new skills while still having time for outdoor exploration and games! Themes are Wild Decor, Retro Art, Wax Works, Card Pack, and more. Space is limited.  
$370 member, $435 nonmember

**Science Camp for ages 10 - 13**

Hands-on activities make science topics fun! Days are a blend of experiments, games, hikes, and crafts. Themes are Challenge Science, Chemistry, Survival Skills, and more. Space is limited, register early!  
$390 member, $455 nonmember

**Adventure Day Trip Camp for ages 10 - 14**

Explore beautiful places and try new things with our engaging leaders! Some sessions include an overnight and most include swimming. Themes are Exotic Adventure, Rock Hounds, River to Sea, Cape Cod, and more. Space is limited, register early! Fees vary with activities, see our full brochure.

**Leadership Camp for ages 13.5 - 16**

Challenge yourself and work on your leadership skills while having fun with other teens! Offered the week of July 3 only.  
$370 member, $435 nonmember

**Leader-in-Training for ages 14 - 16**

Develop new skills while working and playing with children and earn community service hours! Application and references are required. There is a three week minimum and a fee.

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See our camp brochure for themes and details—google Moose Hill Camp or call us for a copy.  
Registrations accepted January 1 - August 24. Register on-line or by mail.
Owls
Owls are calling for mates and establishing homes this time of year. Explore the lives of owls: what they eat, how they hunt, what they sound like, and more. After learning about this amazing predator, enjoy a short outdoor owl-calling experience. It's sure to be a hoot!

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Groundhogs
It’s Groundhog Day! Stories, a special craft, and plenty of fun games will complete this program about this celebrated animal. Pretend to be a groundhog and “tunnel” into your winter den. If the weather allows, hike to see groundhog habitat.

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Snow Art
Let winter’s snowy landscape be our muse! Create several art projects, all with a winter/snowy theme. Cut a flurry of snowflakes, paint a wintery scene, and create a non-meltable snowman. If the weather allows, decorate the yard with snow sculptures.

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Feed the Birds
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Sap to Syrup
It’s maple sugaring time at Moose Hill. Try your hand at becoming a maple sugar farmer. What would you need? Look for sap dripping out of tapped trees, and then discover how sap is turned into syrup. Taste test pure maple syrup and imitation syrup. Which one do you prefer?

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Spring into Spring
Spring has arrived, but what does that really mean? Search the woods and fields for evidence that spring is really here. Plenty of games and active exploration will be included. Dress for outdoor exploration and shake off the winter blues!

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April Showers
Drip, drip, drop little April showers... where would we be without rain? Look for watery habitats, signs of water on the move, and more during this outdoor exploration. Use watercolors to paint your own watery picture. Visit the “puddle tree” to see if it is full.

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Swamp Romp
What lives under Moose Hill’s boardwalk? Look and listen for swamp creatures. Discover why alligators do not call our swamps home. Discover how these critters are adapted to their watery habitat. A story and craft will complete the day.

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Frog Foray
What has slimy skin, bulging eyes, and a flip-action tongue? Not aliens, but frogs! Search the swamp for these singing amphibians while looking out for frog predators. A story and a craft will complete this froggy fun.

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Register Early! Bring a Friend!
Our Children’s Programs require preregistration. We appreciate your early registrations. Recruit a friend to join your child and the program is guaranteed to run!
Preschool Family Adventures
Join us each month for a program especially designed for parents and children ages 3 to 6 years. Each month will feature the topics described below and include both indoor and outdoor discovery time, weather dependent.

January: Honeybees
What’s the buzz in the hive? Discover how bees spend the winter and prepare for spring.

February: Bears
Do bears live at Moose Hill? In Massachusetts? Learn about bears and why (or why not) one could live at Moose Hill.

April: Song Birds
Look and listen for our feathered friends as we welcome spring. Discover where some birds have been all winter.

May: Frogs
Do frogs really eat flies? Discover more about these amazing amphibians.

Owl Moon
Experience the magic of calling for owls after listening to the classic story, Owl Moon. This before dinner program is specially designed for families with children aged 3-6, but all are welcomed to attend.

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Tap a Tree
Nothing beats that first drip from a tap in a sugar maple. Help support our maple sugaring operation by adopting a tree. Start by designing a tree label that will be laminated and stapled to your tree. We will then hike to the sugar bush where each family will use a hand drill to tap their tree. Once your maple bucket is hung, and if the weather cooperates, look and listen for the first drops of sap. What do you think it tastes like? At the end of the sugaring season, each family will receive a bottle of Moose Hill syrup to complete the experience. The fee is per family.

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Nature Egg Hunt
Birds are singing, frogs are hopping, and bugs are crawling...all searching for mates to lay eggs. Explore the forests and wetlands of Moose Hill for any and all kinds of eggs. Meet a costumed character as you learn about Moose Hill’s diverse egg-laying inhabitants. Have fun searching for hidden eggs...find the specially marked egg and win a prize!

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Mother’s Day Breakfast and Nature Walk
Celebrate Mother’s Day at Moose Hill. Begin with an hour-long guided walk searching for signs of spring: singing birds, peeping frogs, buzzing bees, popping buds, and more. Return for a hearty pancake breakfast including juice, fruit, and a variety of hot beverages. Each family will receive a children’s take-home craft bag to complete at home. Be sure to register early, as space is limited.

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Star Gazing Nights
Join local astronomers for a look at the stars and other night objects through big telescopes. The event is on-going, so drop in for all or just some of the evening. This free program is cancelled if sky conditions are cloudy/milky or in the event of deep snow/extreme cold; call Patti Austin at 781-784-5691 x8103 after 6pm for a recorded message concerning the status of the program prior to attending.

Park in the Visitor Center parking lot and follow the trail marked by glow sticks to the viewing field. This is a self-directed 5-minute walk along a wooded trail. Bring a flash light to help light your way to the astronomers.

Please contact us at least 24-hours in advance if you have mobility considerations; we may be able to offer accessible parking.

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MAPLE SUGARING WEEKENDS

Maple Sugaring Weekends
Sunday, March 19
Saturday, March 25
Sunday, March 26

Times Each Day
11:00, 11:15, 11:30, 11:45am, 12 noon, 12:30, 12:45, 1:00, 1:15, 1:30, 1:45, 2:00, 2:30, 2:45, and 3:00pm

Preregistration rate: $9 per person
Day-of rate: $11 per person
Children age three and younger are free.
Preregistration is highly recommended; we cannot guarantee openings for those who do not register ahead.

What to Expect
Moose Hill has shared the magic of turning sap into syrup with the community for over 40 years! Join us to experience the sugaring process from tree to table and to learn how sugaring has evolved from Native American to colonial to our own current procedures. This 90-minute outdoor, guided tour includes meeting people portraying characters from the past as they go about their daily tasks, including sugaring. Conclude your tour at our operational sugar house and enjoy a taste of the final product.

After your tour, return to the Visitor Center for additional self-guided activities, including a children's craft table, a sugaring quiz board, a pictorial look back at Moose Hill's sugaring past, and hot chocolate. Pancakes with syrup, “sap” dogs (hotdogs cooked in maple sap), maple-sugar dusted popcorn, and more delicious food items will be available for a small additional fee at the Visitor Center. Learn about future Moose Hill programs and other Mass Audubon opportunities after your tour.

March Raffle Madness
Try your luck and enter our maple basket raffle, or choose from any of our March Raffle Madness themed baskets, including camping, honey, taste of Italy, breakfast, sports, wine, and more. All proceeds from the raffle support Moose Hill educational programming. Winners will be drawn and notified in early April.

How to Register
This program tends to fill prior to the event date. Online registration is available at massaudubon.org/moosehillprograms or call 781-784-5691. Register by 4pm the day before an event date and receive the preregistration rate. Event fees are nonrefundable and nontransferrable.

If you have questions about this event, please contact Patti Austin at paustin@massaudubon.org or 781-784-5691. This is a great program opportunity for scout and community groups.

We appreciate the support of our sponsor for this event!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Wanted: Maple Sugaring Help
Event Weekends
Come join in the wonder of sugaring by volunteering for our Maple Sugaring Weekends on March 19, 25 and 26 (see left for event details). Volunteers lead groups along the event trail, portray a character, pop popcorn, manage indoor activities at the Visitor Center, help in the sugar house (see below), and/or sell maple-related treats. Training is provided.

Sugar House
We need volunteers to help collect sap from the sugar bush, boil the sap in the evaporator, and share maple knowledge with program participants. Most volunteer hours are on weekday mornings and training is provided. We are also seeking volunteers to help with the Maple Sugaring Weekends.

Who to Contact
If you are new to volunteering at Moose Hill, please contact Jan Goba, our Volunteer Coordinator, at jngoba@massaudubon.org for introductory information. Returning event volunteers contact Patti Austin at paustin@massaudubon.org and returning sugar house volunteers contact Mathew Noiseux at mnoiseux@massaudubon.org for details. Thanks!

AGES 3-4

Knee-High Naturalist
Nature & Science Enrichment for Children Ages 3 - 4

Allow your child to experience the wonders of the outdoors and build a positive relationship with nature! Our Knee-High Naturalist program is a weekly offering from 9:30 am to 12 noon for children ages 3 and 4, and features games, crafts, stories, and lots of outdoor nature play! Each week a new seasonal theme will be explored. Patti Austin (a.k.a. Miss Patti) looks forward to the upcoming season and hopes to see you! Children must be toilet trained and bring a small snack/drink.

Visit massaudubon.org/moosehillprograms for complete details and registration information, as not all the class dates are consecutive.

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SHARON CREDIT UNION
REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Program Registration Notes
1. Preregistration is highly recommended and required where noted. Walk-ins are welcomed as space allows.
2. Programs will be cancelled if minimum participant numbers are not met, so be sure to register early.
3. Call/register online at www.massaudubon.org/moosehillprograms. Online registrations will receive an automatic confirmation email from Mass Audubon.
4. Membership number is required for member price.
5. Children must be within the stated age requirements as of the program start date to register.
6. Dress for the weather. Most programs go outside.
7. All children must be accompanied by an adult for Family/All Ages Programs. Children age three and younger are free and welcomed to attend (unless stated otherwise); however, Family/All Ages Programs are not designed for children age 3 and younger.

Refund Policy
We will issue a refund (or transfer your fees to another program) if you notify us of your cancellation at least one week before the program begins. If the program meets multiple times, the notification date is from the first day of the program and there are no make-up dates or refunds for weather-related cancellations. Summer Camp and Vacation Week programs have special refund policies; see separate policies elsewhere. Special Event fees are non-refundable and non-transferable. There are no refunds for late openings, early releases, or for non-attendance. Moose Hill Wildlife Sanctuary reserves the right to change programs, schedules, instructors, and to cancel programs due to low enrollment. If we cancel a single-day program, you will be notified and will receive a full refund.

Drop-Off & Late Pick-Up Policy
Children must be accompanied by an adult into the Visitor Center. The Moose Hill staff is only responsible for children during scheduled program times. To ensure a timely pick-up of participants and decrease staff overtime, Moose Hill will charge $10 for each 15 minutes beyond established program end times. Please plan accordingly and try to be on time.

Program Registration Form
Save a stamp...register online at www.massaudubon.org/moosehillprograms.

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I would like to join/renew a MAS membership: $65 Family, or $48 Individual $_______

Donation (Thank You!) $_______

Total Enclosed $_______

Make checks payable to Mass Audubon or provide VISA/MC information and send to: Moose Hill Wildlife Sanctuary 293 Moose Hill Parkway Sharon, MA 02067

MC/VISA

Expires Signature

For identity safety assurances, fax and email submissions are not accepted.
Directions to Moose Hill in Sharon, MA
Moose Hill Wildlife Sanctuary Visitor Center is located at the junction of Moose Hill Street and Moose Hill Parkway. Follow Mass Audubon signs along the way. Parking lot is located off of Moose Hill Parkway.

From the NORTH:
From Rt. 128 or I-93, take I-95 South (toward Providence) to Exit 10 (Coney Street, Sharon, Walpole). Turn left off the ramp. Go about 1/4 mile, turn right on Rt. 27 toward Walpole. Go about 1/2 mile and turn left on Moose Hill Street. Continue past The Trustees Moose Hill Farm to the intersection of Moose Hill Parkway. Turn left on Moose Hill Parkway. The parking lot will be on your left.

From the SOUTH:
Take I-95 North to Exit 8 (Main Street, Sharon). Turn right past Shaw’s Plaza. Turn left on Moose Hill Street. Cross over Walpole Street continuing on Moose Hill Street. Turn right on Moose Hill Parkway. The parking lot will be on your left.

From Stoughton/Canton/Sharon Center:
Take Rt. 27 into Sharon Center. At light, turn right following Rt. 27. Take second left after overpass (train tracks) on Moose Hill Parkway. The parking lot will be on your right prior to the intersection of Moose Hill Street.

Admission Fees
Mass Audubon members: Free.
Nonmembers: $4 adults, $3 children (age 4-12), $3 seniors
Children three and younger are free.
Sharon residents hike for free.

Sanctuary Hours
Trails and Parking Lot Hours:
  - Fall and Winter: 8am to 5pm
  - Spring and Summer: 7am to 7pm
Visitor Center and Gift Shop Hours:
  - Weekdays from 9am to 5pm
  - Weekends from 10am to 4pm

Other Information
Phone: 781-784-5691
Fax: 781-784-9153
moosehill@massaudubon.org; massaudubon.org/moosehill
Register online: massaudubon.org/moosehillprograms

Please remember, for the safety of wildlife and visitors, leave pets at home. We appreciate your help in protecting the nature of Massachusetts.

Maple Sugaring Weekends
March 19, 25, and 26
Details on page 10.

Moose Hill Programs
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