

Mass Audubon Cape Cod Group Programs

— 2022 —



Discover. Explore. Be Outside!



Mass Audubon Cape Cod's Long Pasture, Wellfleet Bay, Ashumet Holly, Skunknet River and Barnstable Great Marsh sanctuaries, encompass all of the Cape's most critical habitats including barrier beaches, coastal plain ponds, salt marshes, cedar swamps and vernal pools. Join us to explore with your group!

Naturalist Guided Field Walks

EXPLORING COASTAL ECOSYSTEMS

1.5 hours | \$165

Up to 20 people

Explore tidal flats, salt marshes and/or barrier beaches to discover their unique features and wildlife. Uncover how plants and animals have adapted to survive in these challenging habitats.

BIRDING FOR BEGINNERS

1.5 hours | \$165

Up to 20 people

Are you always wondering, 'What's that bird?' This walk introduces basic birding skills including how to recognize birds through color, shape, size, markings, songs, and behavior.

SEA TURTLE PATROL

November and December

1.5 hours | \$165

Up to 20 people

Search for cold-stunned, juvenile sea turtles stranded on Cape Cod Bay beaches. Learn about sea turtle biology, behavior, and conservation. We'll also look for other life along the wrackline!

WILDLIFE TRACKING

1.5 hours | \$165

Up to 20 people

Search a variety of habitats for clues to the wildlife that inhabit them. We may discover tracks and signs of creatures including coyote, fox, raccoon, otter, shorebirds, wading birds, and diamondback terrapins.

OWL PROWL

1.5 hours | \$165

Up to 20 people

Dusk is a perfect time to listen for the calls of owls including Great Horned Owls and Eastern Screech Owls. Join an experienced birder and naturalist as we look and listen for owls and other nighttime sights and sounds of nature.





Naturalist Guided Field Walks—*continued*

VERNAL POOL EXPLORATION

spring offering

1.5 hours | \$165

Up to 20 people

Join us as we explore vernal pools, a critical freshwater habitat. We'll search for salamanders, wood frogs, egg masses, and the other creatures that utilize this special habitat.

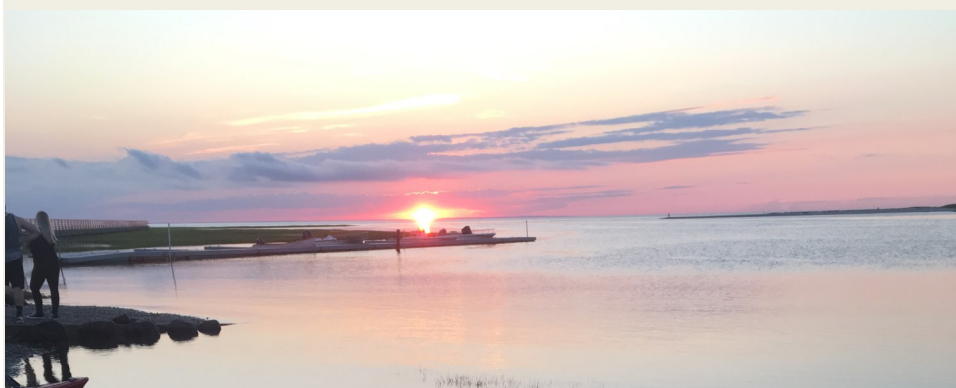
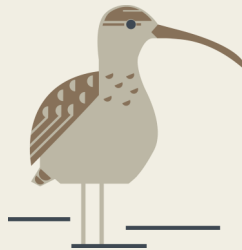
SHOREBIRDS AT WELFLEET BAY

Not offered in winter

2 hours | \$220

Up to 20 people

Explore the salt marsh, barrier beach, and tidal flats in search of migratory and nesting shorebirds. We'll hope to see willets, whimbrels, black-bellied plovers, and a variety of sandpipers.



Indoor Nature Presentations (Lecture Based)

VERNAL POOLS: OUR BACKYARD ECOSYSTEM

Vernal Pools are scattered around the Cape Cod landscape and are home to a variety of secretive creatures.

SALT MARSH ECOLOGY

Salt Marshes are one of the most biologically-rich communities in North America. Discover these rich habitats, the creatures within them, and how to help protect them.

HORSESHOE CRAB ECOLOGY

Horseshoe Crabs have been around for 350 million years, adapting to and withstanding every conceivable change time has presented.

REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS OF CAPE COD

An exploration of the various herpetofauna of Cape Cod including their natural histories, amazing adaptations, and conservation status.

SHOREBIRDS ON CAPE COD

Get to know the most common shorebirds that visit and nest on Cape Cod including sandpipers, plovers, and oystercatchers.

WINTER BIRDS ON CAPE COD

winter offering

A staggering diversity of waterfowl, Snowy Owls, finches and the occasional appearance of unusual vagrants make for plentiful birding opportunities on the Cape in the winter.

THE INCREDIBLE EDIBLE OYSTER

Oysters have become all the rage lately given their power to clean our embayments, delicious taste and amazing health benefits.

RAPTORS

This presentation will guide you in identification of raptors and describe the amazing migration adaptations raptors rely on to survive.

BACKYARD BIRDS

Learn to identify the most common feeder birds including those confusing sparrows and finches. We'll also discuss best bird-feeding practices and native plants that attract birds.

MAGNIFICENT OSPREYS

Discover their amazing abilities and life history, how they have recovered from the DDT years, and how Mass Audubon is monitoring their nests.



Indoor Nature Presentations—*continued*

SAVING THE SPADEFOOT TOAD

The eastern spadefoot toad is the rarest frog species in Massachusetts. Through unique and seldom seen photographic documentation, we will explore the secret life history of this elusive and little known species.

COMING TO A NEIGHBORHOOD NEAR YOU

We will explore the local increase in abundance of deer, coyote, fisher, turkey, bobcat and osprey and the conflicts, management measures and ethical considerations that arise as a result.

OWLS OF CAPE COD

Learn how to identify Cape Cod's owl species, gain insights into their life histories and discover the art of owling!

SEA TURTLE RESCUE

Each fall hundreds of cold-stunned juvenile sea turtles strand on Cape Cod Bay beaches. Learn about why this happens, Mass Audubon's rescue efforts, and about sea turtle biology, behavior, and conservation.

LANDSCAPING FOR WILDLIFE

Discover the benefits of planting native species both to your property and to birds and other wildlife. Find out which plants attract which birds and how to provide food sources year-round. Best of all, native species are hardy and easy to care for.

Book a Program

Cost: \$150 for daytime/local presentation. \$200 for daytime/non-local presentation. \$200 for evening/local presentation. \$250 for evening/non-local presentation. Additional cost for special requests. All lectures are an hour in length with additional time for Q&A.

To schedule a program please call 508-349-2615 or email

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For additional information on our Cape Cod Sanctuaries, please visit our website at : **www.massaudubon.org**



