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ALL SUMMER LONG!
10 am — 6 pm

Great Falls
Discovery Center

AUGUST 2018 EVENTS

coming events

<p>August 3 –30</p>	<p>Great Hall Art Exhibit: Don't Get Hung Up on the Details A Group exhibit by the Magic of Watercolor for Adults Class. Water is alive with a mind of its own—making watercolor a unique medium for painting. If we let go of trying to control it, and not get hung up on the details, it will surprise us with beautiful dreamy results—almost doing all the work for us. Exhibit and class sponsored by the Montague Cultural Council, the Recovery Learning Community, and the MCSM Women's Center.</p>
<p>Mondays July 23, 30 and August 6, 13 10:30-11:30 am</p>	<p>Junior Rangers: Four Mondays in July and August It's not too late to be a Junior Ranger! Join us for one or more sessions and become a Connecticut River Watershed expert and find out who lives along the Canalside Rail Trail in Turners Falls. Earn your Mass Parks Junior Ranger Patch! We offer a four-part nature education workshop on four Mondays for children ages 8 to 11. Friends/siblings welcome. Children with a parent/guardian meet at the Discovery Center lobby at 10:30 am. Junior Ranger programs are FREE and open to all. Space is limited so please register at (413) 863-3221.</p>
<p>Three Fridays August 3, 17, 31 10:30-11:30 am</p>	<p>Kidleidoscope Story Hour 8/3: Dragonflies; 8/17: Turtles; 8/31: Snakes Come learn about our wildlife neighbors who share our home in the Connecticut River Watershed. Program includes a story, interactive games, and a craft to introduce young children to wildlife along the river. Meet in the Great Hall. For ages 3-6, accompanied by an adult. Siblings and friends welcome.</p>
<p>Saturday August 4 10 am—4 pm at Unity Park</p>	<p>Pocumtuck Homelands Festival at Unity Park At this FREE all ages Native American cultural celebration at Unity Park, join us at the Northfield Mountain and DCR Mass State Parks tent to learn about fish and create your own fish print. People have gathered at the Great Falls for thousands of years, and this event is the perfect combination of live music, drumming, dancing, storytelling, native crafts, and food. The festival is sponsored by the Nolumbeka Project and RiverCulture.</p>
<p>Sunday August 5 1-3 pm</p>	<p>Artist Reception: Don't Get Hung Up on the Details Come meet the artists for the Great Hall group exhibit by the Magic of Watercolor for Adults Class that is on display during August. Exhibit and watercolor class sponsored by the Montague Cultural Council, the Recovery Learning Community, and the MCSM Women's Center.</p>
<p>Friday August 10 7-9 pm</p>	<p>Great Falls Coffeehouse presents: Michael Nix & Friends Banjo and guitar instrumentals and songs with classical, jazz, and folk influences. Each month the Friends of the Great Falls Discovery Center host an evening coffeehouse with local talent. Refreshments available. Suggested donations to support educational programming at the Center. Museum and museum store open during intermission.</p>

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<p>Saturday August 11 7:30-9:30 pm</p>	<p>Bat Night! Amanda Melinchuk, Bat Research Monitor with the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation will share her expertise and talk about the myths and misconceptions surrounding bats, why bats are important, the bats in Massachusetts, threats to bats such as White-nose Syndrome, what you can do to help bats, and information on bat houses. Followed by Q & A. After the presentation visitors can join Amanda outside with a bat detector and look for bats right here by the Center.</p>
<p>Sunday August 12 10:30-11:30 am</p>	<p>Bike Path B-I-N-G-O Kids — grab your parents and we'll go exploring! All ages are welcome as we practice examining the natural world with field guides, binoculars, and a fun game to see just how much you can see! Meet at the main entrance to the Center. Please bring water, bug spray, sunscreen and wear sturdy shoes. If you can't make it at this time, we also have Bike Path BINGO sheets that you can use on your own on the trail, and Discovery backpacks to borrow on your journey.</p>
<p>Saturday August 18 3-5 pm</p>	<p>Fairy House Day on Avenue A: Make a Winged Friend! Activities along the Avenue include making miniature fairy villages at Spinner Park at 11 am, for the planters in downtown Turners Falls. Enjoy a story hour, a shadow puppet show, and mermaid music at the Carnegie Library at noon, and at 1:30 pm there will be a monarch butterfly release and more at Peskeomskut Park. Here at the Discovery Center, we are joining in on the Fairy House Day fun from 3 – 5 pm. Make a winged friend for the fairies at our craft table outside the Discovery Center—maybe a butterfly, dragonfly, bat, or a bird.</p>
<p>Saturday August 25 1-2 pm</p>	<p>Monarch Butterfly StoryWalk® — Gotta Go! Gotta Go! Join us for a migratory journey on the grounds of the Discovery Center, as we read together the story of “a teeny-tiny creepy-crawly bug” (a Monarch butterfly caterpillar), who learns to eat milkweed, take a rest in a chrysalis, meet new friends, and fly with new butterfly wings, all the way to Mexico. Free copies of the story <i>Gotta Go! Gotta Go!</i> by Sam Swope with pictures by Sue Riddell will be provided to participants who register in advance to receive a copy of the book. Register by emailing: janel.nockleby@state.ma.us. Everyone is welcome for the StoryWalk®. Sponsored by CFCE playgroup and Friends of the Great Falls Discovery Center. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.</p>

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