

DECEMBER 2018 EVENTS



coming events

Open Hours	Open 5 days a week—Wednesdays through Sundays 10:00 am — 4:00 pm
November 7— December 22	Great Hall Art Exhibit: Junior Duck Stamps Connecting Youth with Nature through Science and Art. Come see the top Massachusetts youth entries for the 2018 Junior Duck Stamp competition.
Fridays in December 10:30–11:30 am	Kidleidoscope Story Hour 12/7: Deer; 12/14: Ducks; 12/21: Owls; 12/28: Winter Birds 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.
Sunday December 9 1—2 pm	Virtual Tour—Inside the Strathmore Paper Mill Join local history buff Ed Gregory for a virtual visit to the interior of the Keith/Strathmore Paper Mill. The mill (1873-1994) is located along the west side of the Turners Falls Power Canal. This slideshow tour presents an opportunity to see what natural forces can do to a once thriving paper company. Meet in the Great Hall for the presentation.
Friday December 14 3-6 pm and Saturday December 15 11 am—2 pm	It's a Wonderful Night in Turners Falls ... for the Birds! Meet in the Great Hall to craft bird feeders for our winter friends as part of <i>It's a Wonderful Night in Turners Falls</i> —a town-wide Turners Falls RiverCulture event. Which birds will show up at your feeder? What do they eat? Bird feeder making continues the next day, Saturday, 11 am to 2 pm. For all ages. Free.
December Vacation Week!	December Vacation Week Investigation Stations and Exhibits Take a break from the holidays and stop by the Center's Investigation Stations and explore the habitat exhibits. We will be open our usual Wednesday through Sunday hours plus open on Tuesday, January 1st!
Tuesday January 1 1-3 pm	Coming Soon! First Day Hike on January 1st, 1-3 pm Enjoy a leisurely two-mile stroll down the Canalside Rail Trail and get the New Year started off on a Great Falls note. This family friendly hike follows a gentle route and provides an opportunity to discover the abundant natural, historical, and cultural features that make the Great Falls Discovery Center and rail trail such an amazing State Park! Be prepared for cold weather: dress in layers and wear winter boots. Dogs are welcome on leash. Afterward, enjoy a cup of hot chocolate in the Discovery Center's Great Hall, sponsored by our Friends Group. Sign in at the Discovery Center's Great Hall at 1:00 p.m. Hike will begin at 1:15 p.m.