

NOVEMBER 2019 PROGRAMS

All Programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Wheelchair accessible. For more information call (413) 863-3221.

OPEN HOURS **OPEN 5 days a week, Wednesdays through Sundays, 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Closed Thanksgiving Day**
The Great Falls Discovery Center exhibits explore the natural, cultural, and industrial history of the Connecticut River Watershed. Free admission.

**October 25—
November 6** **ART EXHIBIT: 25 YEARS OF CIDER DAYS**
Over twenty-five years, CiderDays has evolved to a three day, county-wide festival celebrating the apple in all of its forms and providing sessions on every aspect of apple usage. The Great Falls Discovery Center hosts an exhibition of historic cider presses and images that honor the orchards, producers and enthusiasts who have advanced the art of cidermaking. The Franklin County Chamber of Commerce sponsors the exhibit, coinciding with the Festival which is November 1-3, 2019. For a full schedule visit: ciderdays.org.

**Fridays
November
1, 8, 15** **KIDLEIDOSCOPE STORY HOUR,
10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Great Hall**
11/1: Deer; 11/8: Bobcats; 11/15: Ducks
Come learn about our wildlife neighbors who share our home in the Connecticut River Watershed. Program includes a story, activities, and a craft to introduce young children to wildlife along the river. For ages 3-6, accompanied by an adult. Siblings and friends welcome.

**Saturday
November 2** **FROM APPLE TREES TO CIDER, PLEASE—
AN APPLE STORY WALK, 1:00-3:00 p.m., Great Hall**
In honor of Franklin County Cider Days and its 25th anniversary, November 1-3, we're taking a walk. As you stroll along the Discovery Center's grounds, you'll enjoy the picture book *From Apple Trees to Cider, Please*, by Felicia Sanzari Chernesky. For children ages 4-8 and their friends, siblings, and families. Also, stop by the center for activities and crafts all about apples. For more information on the Franklin County Cider Days visit www.ciderdays.org. This program is rain or shine. In case of inclement weather, the story walk will be indoors inside the center.

**Wednesday
November 6** **AN EVENING OF ABENAKI STORIES, MUSIC,
AND LANGUAGE WITH JESSE BRUCHAC,
6:30-8:00 p.m., Great Hall**
Storyteller, author, musician, and Abenaki language teacher, Jesse Bruchac weaves the telling of traditional stories with flute music and playful language games to share a glimpse of North-eastern Native American culture with audiences of all ages. According to Jesse, "Native languages offer speakers a window into an indigenous worldview." He is one of the last fluent speakers of Western Abenaki and works vigorously to revitalize the language. He is an accomplished musician, producing several albums of Abenaki music. These include collections of traditional songs of drum and rattle and Native American flute music. Sponsored by the Nolumbeka Project, DCR, and Friends of the Great Falls Discovery Center.

MORE PROGRAMS CONTINUED ON OTHER SIDE

Great Falls Discovery Center, Connecticut River Greenway State Park
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coming events

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**November 7-
December 22** **ART EXHIBIT: JUNIOR DUCK STAMPS:
CONNECTING YOUTH WITH NATURE
THROUGH SCIENCE AND ART**

Young students from Kindergarten to High School submit artwork for a statewide art contest. In the process, they gain awareness of the importance of preserving wetland habitats and the delights of wildlife. Come see the top Massachusetts youth entries for the 2019 Junior Duck Stamp competition!

**Friday
November 8** **GREAT FALLS COFFEEHOUSE PRESENTS: MATUS
SALINS MARCHING BAND, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Great Hall**

Original songs on laoutar and harmonium. A fusion of chamber music, folk, tango, and jazz to create sonic dreamscapes. 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 open during intermission.

**Saturday
November 9** **LIVE BIRDS OF PREY PROGRAM WITH
TOM RICARDI, 1:00-2:00 p.m., Great Hall**

Come see the raptors up close and personal! Meet in the Great Hall for a free program for all ages. See birds of prey presented by Tom Ricardi, a licensed rehabilitator and wildlife biologist. Tom provides an educational presentation on their lives and habitats as well as conservation. You may see a golden eagle, a turkey vulture, a peregrine falcon, and hawks and owls.

**Saturday
November 16** **FULL SNOW MOON GATHERING: A TALK ON
TRADITIONAL NATIVE FINGER WEAVING BY
MASHPEE WAMPANOAG ELDER MARLENE
LOPEZ, RABBIT CLAN MOTHER, 1:00-3:00 p.m.,
Great Hall**

For hundreds of years, the Mashpee Wampanoag people have been finger weaving. Marlene Lopez has been finger-weaving and keeping this art alive by teaching others the knowledge that she has learned for 30 years. The designs are those of the Eastern Woodland and Plains people of Turtle Island during the 18th century. The style of weaving is called warpface. The designs are variations of the diagonal, Chevron, Arrowhead, diamond, flame and lightning. The items woven with these designs are ceremonial sashes, belts, garters, armbands, headbands, and hair-ties. Co-sponsored by DCR and Nolumbeka Project. Free admission. All welcome.

**Friday
November 29** **GO GREEN ON BLACK FRIDAY, 1:00-2:30 p.m.,
Front Entrance**

Would you rather connect with nature and local history than compete with the Black Friday shopping crowds? Then come join us for a leisurely walk along the Canalside Rail Trail in Turners Falls. This walk is approximately 3 miles long, on a level paved surface making for an easy stroll appropriate for adults and children ages 8 and up. Be prepared for cold weather, dress in layers. Wear sturdy shoes and bring water. The walk will begin at the front entrance to the Great Falls Discovery Center. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Inclement weather or icy trail conditions will cancel. Call (413) 863-3221 for more information.