



PRESQUE ISLE

Peninsula Dr. Erie, PA 16505

events.dcnr.pa.gov/presque-isle-state-park/calendar

Online registration is required for most programs. For more information, please contact the Presque Isle State Park office, located on the second floor of the Tom Ridge Environmental Center, at 814-833-7424. The office is open Monday through Friday from 9am-4pm. All programs may be altered or modified at discretion of Park Staff.

Lagoon by Pontoon

Friday, June 21 & 28, July 5, 12, 19 & 26, August 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, September 6; 9-10am, 10:30-11:30am, 12-1pm
Saturday, June 22 & 29, July 6, 13, 20 & 27, August 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31, September 7; 9-10am, 10:30-11:30am, 12-1pm
Sunday, June 23 & 30, July 7, 14, 21 & 28, August 4, 11, 18, & 25, September 1 & 8; 9-10am, 10:30-11:30am, 12-1pm

Pontoon Station

Free

DCNR staff and Volunteers offer a free interpretive pontoon boat ride throughout Misery Bay and the lagoons. Experience the plants and animals that live in this wetland habitat, learn the local history, and discover the natural resources and how they are managed.

Rides are offered on a first come, first served basis. Sign up begins 15 minutes prior to the start time at the pontoon station and all participants must be present at sign in. Children 13 and younger must wear a PFD throughout the ride. You can bring your own coast guard approved PFD or use one provided. The last day of rides will be Sunday, September 8, 2024.

Campfire on the Beach

Thursday, June 20; 6-7:30pm

Beach 11-North Side of Concession Stand

Free

Enjoy an evening on the beach around a campfire as the educators present on the wildlife of Presque Isle. View educational specimens and learn about the wildlife that call Presque Isle their home and how some are managed for success.

Introduction to Fishing Clinic

Saturday, June 29; 10am-1pm

Perry Monument Pavilion

Free

Join park educators and the SONS of Lake Erie to learn the basics of fishing for all ages. All the equipment and bait will be provided. Dress for the weather. Registration required.

Erie Bluffs Cavity Nest Check and Snakes Hike

Wednesday, July 3; 9-10:30am

Erie Bluffs State Park-Main Parking Lot, 11100 W Lake Rd. Lake City, PA 16423

Free

Join us for a hike at Erie Bluffs State Park as we check our bluebird boxes and inspect our cover boards for snakes. The cavity nesting program is one of DCNR's initiatives and occurs at many state parks. We will document birdbox occupants and check for snake species in the area. The hike will cover just over a mile on easy terrain.

The Bats of Erie Bluffs

Tuesday, July 9; 7:30-9pm

Erie Bluffs State Park-Main Parking Lot, 11100 W Lake Rd. Lake City, PA 16423

Free

Spend an early evening searching the sky for bats at Erie Bluffs State Park. We will hike approximately 1.5 miles on easy terrain as we search the evening sky for these flying mammals and inspect our bat house on the park.

Virtual Harmful Algae Blooms

Friday, July 5; 1-2pm

Online-Zoom

Free
Learn about HAB's and what you can do to help stop the spread. A ZOOM link to watch this virtual program will be sent out the day before the event. Registration required.

Presque Isle History by Pontoon

Monday, July 8; 9-11am

Pontoon Boat Station

Free
Join us for a morning pontoon ride as we share some of the history of Presque Isle State Park. The boat ride will include parts of Presque Isle Bay and the lagoons of the park weather permitting. We will visit parts of the park that have had a significant role in the region as we discuss those involved. Registration required.

Adopt A Beach

Saturday, July 13; 9am-12pm

Tom Ridge Environmental Center-AAUW Pavilion

Free
Join us in our efforts to keep our beaches clean. Participate in data and litter collection and help make a difference. Bags, gloves and site assignment given out at sign in at the AAUW Pavilion. Children must be accompanied by an adult. This community science effort is also a great way to earn service hours.

Discover Presque Isle Turtles of Presque Isle

Monday, July 22; 10-11am

Lagoon Boat Launch-Turtle Observation Platform

Free
Enjoy learning about turtles that live on Presque Isle State Park. Participants can bring their own binoculars, but limited supply will be provided. Dress appropriate for the outdoors. Expect a short walk around the lagoon launch area. closed shoes or hiking shoes suggested.

Discover Presque Isle Beaches

Thursday, July 25; 10-11:30am

Erie Runners Club (ERC) Pavilion

Free
Explore the beach with a park educator and discover this unique habitat. Learn history and look for things washed up. Please dress appropriately for beach discovery.

Bicycle Tour of Presque Isle

Tuesday, July 23; 10:30am-1pm

Cookhouse Pavilion

Free
Enjoy learning about local flora and fauna during this easy 10-mile slow roll through the park. Helmets are required and children must be accompanied by an adult. Registration required.

Virtual Natural Wonders

Wednesday, July 31; 10-11am

Online-Zoom

Free
Join Park educators for a virtual presentation of the wildlife of Presque Isle that is captured on video and photography. Registration required; participants will be sent a link a day prior to the program.

Virtual Natural Wonders Lunch and Learn

Wednesday, July 31; 12-12:30pm

Online-Zoom

Free
Join us for lunch and learn about the natural wonders occurring at Presque Isle and Erie Bluffs State Parks. We will share what is happening in the parks through videos and photos captured by staff and camera traps. Registration required.