



## EDUCATION OUT IN THE WILD

There are many ways to experience the magic of migration, both on the Sanctuary or out in the wild! Hawk Mountain's skilled Education team offers a variety of programming for both on-site private programs and off-site events for groups of any size or age.

Hawk Mountain can bring the wonder of raptors right to you! Whether you're looking for an up-close encounter with a live bird of prey or a fascinating deep dive into migration and conservation, our off-site programs are designed to educate and inspire. Perfect for schools, camps, and organizations of all ages, these engaging presentations let you experience the magic of birds of prey—no hiking boots required!

Browse all the program options and book your educational experience at hawkmountain.org/offsiteprograms.

## MOUNTAIN BIRTHDAY PARTIES

#### Celebrate your special party in the clouds!

Hawk Mountain Members can choose to host a unique and fun birthday party for a special child in their life. Select a birthday program and theme, pick a time, and leave the fun up to us!

All party packages include:

- One educator-led program, featuring a live raptor or critter
- Themed activities and crafts
- Use of Education Building with tables, chairs, and

food preparation space

Check out available time slots, costs, and other details at hawkmountain.org/birthday.





## SEASONAL WEEKEND PROGRAMS

Hawk Mountain's weekend programs are great for groups, families, or individuals, and first-time visitors are especially encouraged to incorporate one or more into your day's visit. All weekend programs are FREE with your trail fee or membership, and no registration is required.

Programs take place Saturdays and Sundays during the Spring and Autumn Migration seasons. They are also available on Memorial Day, Labor Day, and Columbus Day. See website for details.

Raptors Up Close! Spring: 11 AM & 2 PM | Fall: 10:15 AM, 12 PM, 2:15 PM

This signature program guarantees that you'll see a raptor up close! Learn all about these amazing birds of prey and the role they play in our world. Graciously sponsored by M&T Bank.

Name That Raptor Spring: 12:30 PM | Fall: 10 AM & 2 PM

Learn from Sanctuary staff and trainees how to identify raptors and recognize their key field marks in flight.

**How We Study Migrating Raptors** Display open 9 AM – 3 PM Programs at 11:30 AM & 1:30 PM

Discover the tools and technologies Sanctuary staff use to study long-distance migrants, including hands-on samples of wing tags, satellite trackers, and more.





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Look for our Members Exclusive events labeled throughout the calendar.



**2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS** 

#### Payment is required at time of registration.

Please register ONLINE at hawkmountain.org/events. Refunds allowed up to 48 hours before event.

ADA Accessible events are marked with § Please contact us at 610-756-6961 if you require an accommodation.

Always check hawkmountain.org/events for the most up-to-date information.

## Youth Events

#### **WEE ONES WALK**

10 - 11:30 AM

#### \$15, \$10 for Members

Designed for children ages 3-5.
Program includes story, nature
activity, short outdoor hike, and craft.
New seasonal theme each month.
Registration required.

#### **Visitor Center Gallery**

Apr 2 - Awesome Amphibians

May 7 - Songs of the Sanctuary

Sep 3 - Marvelous Migrations

Oct 1 - Insectopia

Nov 5 – Magnificent Mammals

Dec 3 - Snowy Science

## HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS

10 AM - 12 PM

\$20, \$15 for Members, additional children \$10 each

Homeschooled students are invited to join us for experiential learning about the Appalachian Forest ecosystem with hands-on activities inside and outdoors. For K-12 students. Registration required.

#### Amphitheater or Education Building

Apr 16 - Stewards of the Earth

May 14 - Wetland Wonders

Sep 17 - Vulture Culture

Oct 15 - Junior Hawk Watch

Nov 19 - Lights Out!

Dec 17 - Winter Ecology

## Summer Nature Camps

\$300, \$250 for Members, per week (unless stated otherwise) 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM, daily

Designed for youth entering grades 1-6, these week-long day camps get kids outdoors, developing a deeper connection with the natural world through fun and educational activities. Campers can choose one week or join us for the entire summer!

Registration closes and all required forms are due two weeks before start of chosen camp. *Visit hawkmountain.org/summercamps for more details.* 

#### **MOUNTAIN ADVENTURE**

June 11 – 13

#### \$200, \$150 for Members

Start your summer off right with this action-packed THREE-DAY camp! Perfect for first time campers or those who can't wait for summer camp fun. Meet up with some birds of prey or chill out with some reptiles while learning about Appalachian wildlife. Together we will explore all Hawk Mountain has to discover!

#### **CREATIVE CREATURES**

June 16 – 20

Explore nature and creative expression through art, music, and movement. Uncover the natural world and meet live animals to inspire your imagination! Make art and new friends under the shade of Hawk Mountain this summer.

#### **ALL ABOUT ANIMALS**

June 23 - 27

Fur and scales and feathers, OH MY! Get up close and personal with mammals, reptiles, birds, insects, and much more. Discover the animal kingdom through crafts, games, special guests, and of course LIVE ANIMALS!

#### **TALES & TAILS**

June 30 – July 3 \$250, \$200 for Members

Come uncover the magic behind Hawk Mountain! Learn about legendary creatures and meet their real-life counter parts. During this FOUR-DAY camp we will read epic tales, do amazing crafts, play pretend, and discover what magical secrets Hawk Mountain is hiding.

#### **WILD SURVIVORS**

July 7 - 11

Challenge yourself in the great outdoors! Learn survival skills through hands-on experiences while building new friendships. Discover how humans, plants, and animals survive in the wild. Learn to build a shelter, start a fire, and put your skills to the test during an offsite adventure!

#### **JUNIOR VETERINARIAN**

July 14 - 18

Have you ever dreamed of becoming a vet? Immerse yourself in the veterinarian world with hands-on activities, live animals, and special guests. Take a look behind the scenes at what it takes to help injured wildlife and other animals.



## Summer Nature Camps (cont.)

#### **WILDERNESS OUEST**

July 21 - 25

Put your outdoor skills to the test! Meet new friends as you learn to survive in the wilderness. Learn to build a shelter and start a fire, and then embark on an offsite adventure.

#### **SCIENCE SAFARI**

July 28 - August 1

Come to the camp where we will ask: why and how? Campers will investigate the wonders of the world through experiments and hands-on activities. Live animals and special guest presentations are sure to be a blast! Together we will travel to a local wildflower field to conduct an experiment.

#### **NATURE TRAILBLAZERS**

August 4 - 8

Discover the amazing connections of nature! Observe plants and live animals up close in their natural habitats. No stone will be left unturned as we explore Hawk Mountain! Also help us explore an offsite stream using real scientific protocols and experiments.

## Educator Workshops

Professional training for formal and non-formal educators!

Hawk Mountain hopes to inspire public, private, formal, and non-formal educators with new tools, activities, and curricula for the classroom, wherever that may be! These workshops are held in collaboration with the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

Cost is \$15 each, and pre-registration is required. Workshops will take place in the Hawk Mountain Education Building from 9 AM – 3:30 PM. Act 48 hours are available.

#### **PENNSYLVANIA SONGBIRDS**

Thursday, April 17

Join us for an educator workshop all about birds! Pennsylvania Songbirds is a hands-on, interdisciplinary, K-8 resource and activity guide developed by DCNR, Bureau of State Parks, Audubon Mid-Atlantic, and the Pennsylvania Game Commission. Participants will have the opportunity to enhance their knowledge of observation and identification of songbirds, bird biology, habitat, migration, and much more!

#### PA BIODIVERSITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Monday, August 18

Find new ways to incorporate biodiversity into the classroom! The PA Biodiversity Educator Workshop provides wildlife-based environmental education activities that are hands-on, easy to use, and fun! This curriculum is designed for grades 5th-12th. Participants will have the opportunity to explore and enhance their knowledge of the fundamentals of biodiversity and climate change by investigating Pennsylvania-specific flora and fauna.

## Conservation Field Courses

#### **APPALACHIAN ECOLOGY FIELD COURSE**

Monday, June 16 - Sunday, June 22

Embark on a transformative journey designed for aspiring conservation professionals! Designed for young adults ages 15-17, this immersive field course integrates principles of service learning, where participants engage in meaningful, hands-on conservation work while living in a collaborative environment.

Throughout this program, students will develop essential field skills across various conservation disciplines, applying theoretical concepts to real-world challenges, including the monitoring and enhancement of local wildlife and their habitats.

Scholarship opportunities available! Learn more at hawkmountain.org/AppEcologyCourse.

#### INTRODUCTION TO RAPTOR FIELD TECHNIQUES

\$675, \$625 for Members

Raptors...four days of just raptors! The goal of this workshop is to help you build confidence in your raptor field techniques. Learn new methods or hone existing skills through hands-on learning experiences with raptors, including trapping methods, handling, bird banding, blood sampling, satellite telemetry, and more. Students will participate directly in real research projects with significant individual interaction and training. No special training is necessary, and the class is open to the public.

Thursday, October 30 – Sunday, November 2 Thursday, November 6 – Sunday, November 9

Learn more at hawkmountain.org/RaptorFieldCourse.

## Conservation Field Courses (cont.)

#### **APPALACHIAN ECOLOGY INSTITUTE**

These one- or two-day field-oriented workshops are designed for the amateur or professional naturalist who is interested in learning more about the natural history and ecology of the central Appalachians. Certificates of completion will be provided to all attendees, and no experience is required, other than ability and gear for hiking rocky terrain on Hawk Mountain trails.

May 17-18 – Amphibians and Reptiles of the Hawk Mountain Region of PA

May 31 – Birdwatching for Beginners

**July 12** – Appalachian Forest Ecology and Tree Identification

**July 26** – Appalachian Pollinators: Bees, Butterflies, & Plants

**Sept 20-21** – Migration Magic: Enjoying Neotropical Migrant Birds on the Move

Jan 17, 2025 - Appalachian Winter Ecology

Visit hawkmountain.org/AppFieldInstitute for details and registration.

## Visitor Promotions

May 23-26 – Military Appreciation Days

June 14 - Military Appreciation Day

June 28-29 – Rainbow Trail Days

July 4-6 - Let Freedom Wing

Sept 15-19 – Broadwing Buddy Pass

Nov 8-11 – Military Appreciation Days





# MARCH

#### YOUTH ART CONTEST

Saturday, Mar 1 - Monday, Mar 31

Youth ages 5-16 are invited to submit artwork inspired by Hawk Mountain. Top two winners in each age group will have their artwork showcased in the Visitor Center Gallery and receive a prize pack! Entries due by March 31.

#### PAPER QUILLING WORKSHOP: DRAGONFLY IN A SHADOW BOX

Sunday, Mar 16

11 AM - 1 PM | \$40

Led by the talented Marky Barto, you will learn the basics of creating your own quilled decor! Registration required.

Education Building 💺

#### HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS: THE ART OF ADAPTATION

Wednesday, Mar 19

10 AM - 12 PM

\$20 For adult and one child, \$15 for Members, \$10 per additional

From webbed feet and silent flight to three eyelids and razor-sharp beaks, get an up-close look at the amazingly diverse body parts of the animal kingdom. Registration required.

**Education Building** 

#### **FINCH MASTER VIP PACKAGE**

Saturday, Mar 22

11 AM - 12:30 PM | \$30

Meet Matt Young, co-author of the new *Finches of North America* field guide, and enjoy a bird walk near the Visitor Center, a personalized copy of the book, and reserved seating for the 1 PM presentation, Finches of the United States. Registration required.

Meet in Visitor Center

#### FINCHES OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

Saturday, Mar 22

1 - 2:15 PM | FREE

Finch expert Matthew Young will introduce you to the 43 finches of the US and Canada and share detailed finch identification, language, behavior, how to conserve finches, and much more. A book signing with Matt will follow the program.

**Visitor Center Gallery** 

#### YOGA ON THE MOUNTAIN

Sunday, Mar 30

9 – 10 AM | \$25

Clear your mind and open your senses with nature by joining our monthly Yoga on the Mountain session in partnership with local studio Yoga-B-Yoga. No experience necessary. Registration required.

Acopian Center





#### **SPRING MIGRATION HAWKWATCH BEGINS**

Tuesday, Apr 1

#### Trail fee applies for Non-Members

Join the official counter at North Lookout to watch for returning raptors and other migants. Count runs through May 15.

Follow daily species tallies at hawkmountain.org/count.

**North Lookout** 

#### **BREAKFAST WITH THE BIRDS**

Tuesday, Apr 1

9:30 - 11 AM | \$10, \$5 for Members

Enjoy a morning participating in our Project Feederwatch and learn about long-term trends, behavior, and identification of winter bird species. Meet an avian ambassador and enjoy breakfast refreshments. Registration required.

Visitor Center Feeder Station Window

#### **WEE ONES WALK: AMPHIBIANS!**

Wednesday, Apr 2

10 - 11:30 AM | \$15, \$10 for Members

Frog-hop on over to the Sanctuary to investigate the double lives of amphibians! Explore our frog pond and Native Habitat Garden, play games, create fun crafts, and meet a special amphibian friend. Designed for children 3-5 years old. Registration required.

**Visitor Center Gallery** 

#### **SPRING WEEKEND PROGRAMS BEGIN**

Saturday, Apr 5

#### Trail fee applies for Non-Members

Fun and educational weekend programs available Saturdays and Sundays until May 11. Raptors Up Close continues through Memorial Day. The perfect addition to a weekend hike!

See website for details.

#### **RAPTOR EGG HUNT**

Saturday, Apr 12

#### 10 AM & 1 PM | \$15, \$10 for Members

Children search for "raptor" eggs hidden in the forest during this non-competitive hunt following a brief lesson on eggs. All eggs are then turned in for a prize! For ages 4-10. Rain cancels event. Registration required.

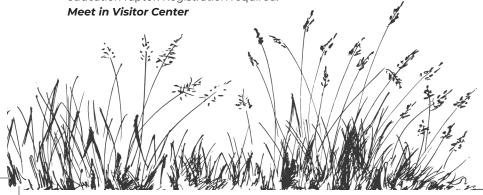
**Ampitheater** 

#### **FULL MOON HIKE**

Saturday, Apr 12 6:30 - 9:30 PM | \$20



Join the Hawk Mountain President and a Hawk Mountain Educator for a hike to North Lookout to view the sunset after meeting a live nocturnal education raptor. Registration required.



## SPRING & AUTUMN WEEKEND PROGRAMS

Saturdays and Sundays FREE with trail fee or membership

April 5 - May 11 August 30 - November 9

#### **Raptors Up Close!**

Spring: 11 AM & 2 PM

Fall: 10:15 AM, 12 PM, 2:15 PM

#### **Name That Raptor**

Spring: 12:30 PM Fall: 10 AM & 2 PM

#### **How We Study Migrating Raptors**

Display open 9 AM – 3 PM Programs at 11:30 AM & 1:30 PM



Proud to support Hawk Mountain's education programming





#### **HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS:** STEWARDS OF THE EARTH

Wednesday, Apr 16 10 AM - 12 PM | \$20 For adult and one child, \$15 for Members, \$10 per additional child

Celebrate Earth Day by exploring raptor conservation, learning how to reduce your ecological footprint, and committing to sustainable living through a handson project with Hawk Mountain's Stewardship crew. Registration required.

**Education Building** 

#### PA SONGBIRDS EDUCATOR WORKSHOP

Thursday, Apr 17 9 AM - 3:30 PM | \$15

Join the PA Game Commission and HMS educators for an educator workshop all about PA songbirds! Open to classroom teachers and non-formal educators, this workshop will share information about the observation and identification of songbirds, bird biology, habitat, migration, and much more. Registration required.

Education Building

#### YOUTH ART EXHIBIT

Tuesday, Apr 22 - Saturday, May 31

Winners from the Youth Art Contest will be on display in celebration of Earth Day and the spring season.

**Visitor Center Gallery** 

#### INVASIVE SPECIES OF HAWK MOUNTAIN

Saturday, Apr 26

12 – 2 PM | \$15, Free for Members

Join Sanctuary Steward Noah Rauch on a guided walk around the Visitor Center to learn about the common invasive plant species found at Hawk Mountain and how to identify them. Registration required.

**Meet at Visitor Center** 

#### YOGA ON THE MOUNTAIN

Sunday, Apr 27 9 - 10 AM | \$25

Clear your mind and open your senses with nature by joining our monthly Yoga on the Mountain session in partnership with local studio Yoga-B-Yoga. No experience necessary. Registration required.

**Acopian Center** 



#### SPRING BIRDING WITH THE PRESIDENT

Thursday, May 1 9 AM - 1 PM | \$20



Depart on a leisurely guided hike to North Lookout with President Sean Grace, then scan the skies for northbound migrating raptors and other birds. Bagged lunch included. Special food requests cannot be accommodated. Registration required.

Meet in Visitor Center

#### THE WONDERS OF WILDFLOWERS

Saturday, May 3 1 – 2:30 PM | \$15, \$10 for Members

Join local ecologist Dr. Chris Sacchi for a walk around the Sanctuary, featuring the identification of spring flowering plants and general information about forest ecology. Registration required.

Meet at Visitor Center

#### **WARBLER WALK AT LEASER LAKE**

Saturday, May 3 8 - 11 AM | \$20, \$10 for Members

Take a morning walk with a Hawk Mountain naturalist in search of wood warblers and other migrants in the fields and forest around Leaser Lake. Registration required.

Leaser Lake

#### **WARBLER WALK AT PINE SWAMP**

Sunday, May 4

8 - 11 AM | \$20, \$10 for Members

Take a morning walk with a Hawk Mountain naturalist in pursuit of wood warblers and other migrants in the forests at the base of Hawk Mountain. Registration required.

Pine Swamp

#### WEE ONES WALK: THE SONGS OF THE SANCTUARY

Wednesday, May 7

10 - 11:30 AM | \$15, \$10 for Members

Each spring the choruses of frogs, the songs of birds, and the chirp of the cricket fill our Sanctuary with music. We invite you to sing, dance, and clap along with this month's program as we investigate the songs of the Sanctuary. Designed for children 3-5 years old. Registration required.

**Visitor Center Gallery** 

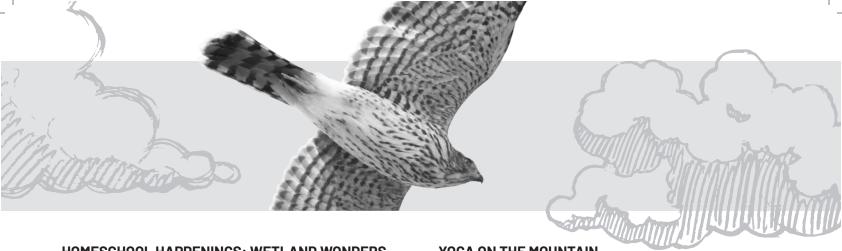
#### **WORLD MIGRATORY BIRD DAY | SHARING SPACES: CREATING BIRD-FRIENDLY CITIES AND COMMUNITIES**

Saturday, May 10

10 AM - 2 PM

Participate in guided bird experiences and visit acitivity stations to learn what you can do to help support migratory birds and protect our shared spaces with wildlife.

Start in Visitor Center



#### **HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS: WETLAND WONDERS**

Wednesday, May 14

10 AM - 12 PM | \$20 For adult and one child, \$15 for Members, \$10 per additional child

Get ready to go WILD about wetlands and learn how to identify native wildlife that live in these biological supermarkets. Registration required.

Education Building

#### **BENEFIT FOR THE BIRDS**

Friday, May 16 6:30 - 9:30 PM | \$175

Enjoy an evening of good food and mingling to benefit the Sanctuary. Visit hawkmountain.org/benefit for details.

Folino Estate Winery 💺

#### **AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES OF THE HAWK MOUNTAIN REGION OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Saturday, May 17 - Sunday, May 18 8:30 AM – 4 PM  $\mid$  \$200, \$175 for Members and students

This two-day workshop, led by Dr. Thomas LaDuke, explores the life history, habitats, identification, and proper handling techniques of amphibians and reptiles found at Hawk Mountain and its surrounding areas. Registration required.

Meet in Visitor Center

#### **SPRING NATIVE PLANT SALE**

Saturday, May 17: 10 AM - 3 PM Sunday, May 18: 10 AM - 2 PM

Choose from a wide variety of PA native plants perfect for your home landscape and learn about the importance of native plants from our expert volunteers.

Visitor Center Lots رائج

#### **MILITARY APPRECIATION DAYS**

Friday, May 23 - Monday, May 26

Active service members and veterans receive FREE trail admission or \$15 off a new membership.

Redeem in Visitor Center

#### THE SECRET WORLD OF BATS

Saturday, May 24 7 - 8:30 PM | \$15, \$10 for Members

Learn the natural history of bats, their environmental impacts, and how you can help local species. Also get to meet live education bats and experience a release of rehabilitated bats into the Sanctuary. Registration required.

**Visitor Center Gallery** 

#### YOGA ON THE MOUNTAIN

Sunday, May 25 9 - 10 AM | \$25

Clear your mind and open your senses with nature by joining our monthly Yoga on the Mountain session in partnership with local studio Yoga-B-Yoga. No experience necessary. Registration required.

**Acopian Center** 

#### **APPALACHIAN ECOLOGY INSTITUTE BIRDWATCHING FOR BEGINNERS**

Saturday, May 31 8 AM - 3 PM \$100, \$85 for Members and students

Join us for this beginner-friendly, full-day workshop to learn about essential tools for birdwatching, bird identification, and common species in PA, while exploring Hawk Mountain and contributing to the 3rd PA Bird Atlas. Registration required.

Meet in Visitor Center







Saturday, Jun 7 9 AM - 5 PM | FREE

This self-guided driving tour leads you to a broad mix of artists at home and host studios within a 25-mile radius of the Sanctuary in scenic Albany Township. **See website for details.** 

#### **TRAIL BIRDS**

Saturday, Jun 7

9 AM - 12 PM | Trail fee applies for Non-Members

Celebrate National Trail Days with a guided bird walk to North Lookout. Registration required.

Meet in Visitor Center

#### **MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY**

Saturday, Jun 14

Active service members and veterans receive FREE trail admission or \$15 off a new membership.

Redeem in Visitor Center

#### MUSIC ON THE MOUNTAIN: BERKS SINFONIETTA

Saturday, Jun 14

2 – 4 PM | \$25, \$20 for Members

Celebrate spring with a 90-minute performance of classical selections. Light refreshments and raptor meet and greet will follow in the Visitor Center. Rain date June 15. Registration required.

Amphitheater

#### APPALACHIAN ECOLOGY FIELD COURSE

Monday, Jun 16 – Sunday, Jun 22

Designed for teens ages 15-17, this 10-day course will immerse participants in discovering and learning the ecology of the Appalachians. The course is based on the principles of service learning and will expose students to a variety of conservation field skills. Scholarship opportunities available! Registration required.

See website or email Steve Wade at wade@hawkmountain.org for details.

#### **VULTURE ENCOUNTER**

Thursday, Jun 26 10 AM – 12 PM | \$20



Meet a live black vulture, enjoy light snacks, then head to the seminar room for a personal update on findings in the field from our scientists. Registration required.

**Acopian Center** 

#### **CREATE A POLLINATOR GARDEN**

Saturday, Jun 28

10 – 11:30 AM | \$10, \$5 for Members

Learn from Hawk Mountain volunteers what it takes to create a sustainable year-round pollinator garden. A tour of the Native Habitat Garden will follow the program. Registration required.

Amphitheater 💃

#### **RAINBOW TRAIL DAYS**

Saturday, Jun 28 - Sunday, Jun 29

Show your pride by wearing rainbow apparel or accessories and receive half off trail admission! Members wearing rainbow colors will receive a 15% discount in the Mountain Bookstore.

Redeem in Visitor Center



#### **LET FREEDOM WING**

Friday, Jul 4 - Sunday, Jul 6

Wear red, white, and blue apparel or accessories and receive 1/2 off your trail admission. Members who wear the colors are eligible to pick a flag for a prize.

Redeem in Visitor Center

## APPALACHIAN FOREST ECOLOGY AND TREE IDENTIFICATION

Saturday, Jul 12

8:30 AM – 3:30 PM | \$100, \$85 for Members and students

Join this full-day workshop at Hawk Mountain to explore the diversity and ecology of Appalachian trees and shrubs, learning identification and ecological measurement techniques from Dr. Chris Sacchi and Hawk Mountain staff through hands-on field activities. Rain date July 13. Registration required.

Meet in Visitor Center

## APPALACHIAN POLLINATORS: BEES, BUTTERFLIES AND PLANTS

Saturday, Jul 26

9 AM - 3 PM | \$100, \$85 for Members and students

This full-day course will explore pollinating insects and their relationships with native plants in the meadows surrounding the Acopian Center for Conservation Learning, with a focus on identification of native bee species. Registration required.

Acopian Center

#### **FAMILY FOREST FUN**

Saturday, Jul 26

10 AM - 2 PM | FREE

Learn about Appalachian flora, fauna, and more at a variety of fun and informative stations in and around the Visitor Center. Engage in an interactive musical program by local musician, Dave Kline, and get to meet some of our avian ambassadors.

Start in Visitor Center 💃





## AUGUST

#### BIRDS & BREW

Saturday, Aug 9

5 - 8 PM | \$65, \$35 for Designated Drivers

An evening of tasting unlimited beer, other libations, and snacks all to benefit Hawk Mountain. Admission includes one buffet meal ticket, signature souvenir glass, entertainment, and meet-and-greet with a live raptor. Event held rain or shine. Registration required.

Amphitheater &

#### **AUTUMN MIGRATION HAWKWATCH BEGINS**

Friday, Aug 15

Trail fee applies for Non-Members

Join the official counters at North Lookout for the longestrunning raptor count in the world to watch for southbound raptors and other migrants. Count runs through December 15. Follow daily species tallies at hawkmountain.org/count.

**North Lookout** 



## PA BIODIVERSITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE EDUCATOR WORKSHOP

Monday, Aug 18 9 AM – 3:30 PM | \$15

Designed for formal and non-formal educators of grades 5th-12th, this workshop explores the fundamentals of biodiversity and climate change by investigating Pennsylvania-specific flora and fauna, and provides wildlife-based environmental education activities that are hands-on, easy to use, and fun! Registration required.

Education Building

#### STAR WATCH ATOP HAWK MOUNTAIN

Saturday, Aug 23 8 – 10 PM | \$20, \$15 for Members

Take a tour of the late summer sky! Learn about what you can find in the night sky and what produces phenomena like auroras, then look through high-quality telescopes to identify constellations, planets, galaxies, and other celestial objects. Rain date Aug 30. Registration required.

Amphitheater 💺

#### **AUTUMN WEEKEND PROGRAMS BEGIN**

Saturday, Aug 30

Trail fee applies for Non-Members

Fun and educational weekend programs available Saturdays and Sundays until Nov 9. The perfect addition to a weekend hike!

See website for details.

#### YOGA ON THE MOUNTAIN

Sunday, Aug 31 9 – 10 AM | \$25

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Acopian Center



# SEP

## WEE ONES WALK: MARVELOUS MIGRATIONS Wednesday, Sept 3

10 - 11:30 AM | \$15, \$10 for Members

Nature is on the move! Take a journey with us this month to discover the magic of migration for many of our winged friends. Live animals, crafts, stories, and games are part of the fun! Designed for children 3-5 years old. Registration required.

**Visitor Center Gallery** 

### INTERNATIONAL VULTURE AWARENESS DAY Saturday, Sept 6

10 AM – 3 PM, Program at 2 PM | Trail fee applies for Non-Members

Celebrate nature's clean up crew with a live vulture program at 2 PM, along with vulture activities for children, a vulture discovery station, and information on Hawk Mountain's long-term vulture research.

Amphitheater 💃

#### MUSIC ON THE MOUNTAIN: GABRIEL CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

Sunday, Sept 7

2 - 3:30 PM | \$25, \$20 for Members

One-hour presentation of classical selections in a beautiful outdoor setting during early migration, followed by light refreshments and raptor meet and greet inside the Visitor Center. Rain cancels. Registration required.

Amphitheater 💃

#### BROADWING BUDDY PASS Monday, Sept 15 – Friday, Sept 19 \$25 per pass

Celebrate International Hawk Migration Week and watch for our most numerous migrant, the broadwinged hawk! The \$25 Broadwing Buddy Pass offers unlimited trail admission September 15-19.

Redeem in Visitor Center

## HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS: VULTURE CULTURE

Wednesday, Sept 17

10 AM – 12 PM | \$20 For adult and one child, \$15 for Members, \$10 per additional child

Investigate why the most important birds in our ecosystem are declining and how we can conserve their global status. Through an interactive pirate adventure, discover why these raptors should be treasured. Registration required.

**Education Building** 



#### **FALL NATIVE PLANT SALE**

Saturday, Sept 20

10 AM - 3 PM

Learn from our host of native plant volunteers and choose from over 100 different species of PA native plants for your own home landscape. Get a head start on next spring by planting this fall!

**Visitor Center Lots** 

#### **MONARCH DAY**

Saturday, Sept 20

10 AM - 3 PM, Presentations at 11 AM & 1 PM Trail fee applies for Non-Members

Celebrate peak monarch butterfly migration! Visit the monarch conservation station for an up-close look at monarchs, plus a live tagging demonstration at 1 PM. Kids' activities all about monarchs include educational and interactive crafts, puzzles, learning displays, and more.

Information Pavilion, Program in Amphitheater 💃

**MIGRATION MAGIC: ENJOYING NEOTROPICAL** MIGRANT BIRDS ON THE MOVE

Saturday, Sept 20: 6:30 AM - 3 PM Sunday, Sept 21: 7 AM - 12 PM \$200, \$175 for Members and students

Taught by Dr. Terry Master, this course will focus on migratory birdwatching and species identification throughout different habitats around the Sanctuary, plus a brief introduction to trapping and banding songbirds. Registration required.

Meet at Visitor Center

#### **BROADWING BASICS**

Sunday, Sept 21

9:30 AM – 1 PM | Trail fee applies for Non-Members

Mid-September is the time to watch for our most numerous migrant, the broad-winged hawk. Naturalists will be stationed at South Lookout to share ID tips and information about the research being conducted on this species.

South Lookout &

#### HAWKWATCHING WITH THE PRESIDENT Monday, Sept 22

9 AM - 1 PM | \$20

Depart on a leisurely guided hike to North Lookout with HMS President Sean Grace, then scan the skies for migrating raptors. Bagged lunch included. Special food requests cannot be accommodated. Registration required.

Exclusive

Meet in Visitor Center



#### **ACCESSIBLE HAWK WATCH**

Tuesday, Sept 23

1 – 3 PM | \$8, \$6 for seniors (65+), Free for Members

Join Hawk Mountain staff on our award winning ADA Accessible Sillouette Trail that leads up to our scenic South Lookout! Learn about raptor identification and observe the 2025 fall migration. Registration required.

Meet at Ampitheater

#### YOGA ON THE MOUNTAIN Sunday, Sept 28

9 - 10 AM | \$25

Clear your mind and open your senses with nature by joining our monthly Yoga on the Mountain session in partnership with local studio Yoga-B-Yoga. No experience necessary. Registration required.

Acopian Center







#### **WEE ONES WALK: INSECTOPIA**

Wednesday, Oct 1

10 - 11:30 AM | \$15, \$10 for Members

Did you know that there is an entire ecosystem beneath our feet helping to create and keep the forest alive? Get up close and personal with these beneficial bugs as we explore the Native Habitat Garden. Designed for children 3-5 years old. Registration required.

**Visitor Center Gallery** 

## THE COURAGE OF BIRDS: HOW OUR BIRDS SURVIVE THE WINTER | AUTUMN LECTURE

Saturday, Oct 11 5 – 7 PM | FREE

Pete Dunne, renowned naturalist and award-winning author, will discuss his book *The Courage of Birds*, exploring avian adaptations, migration patterns, climate impacts, and personal anecdotes with expert insight. Book signing to follow.

**Visitor Center Gallery** 

THE BIG SIT Saturday, Oct 11 9 AM – 3 PM

#### Trail fee applies for Non-Members

Assist Hawk Mountain naturalists by tallying raptors at one or more of our three count circles for the Big Sit on the Mountain.

Native Plant Garden 🖒 , South Lookout 🖒 , North Lookout

HAWKWATCHING WITH THE PRESIDENT Tuesday, Oct 14 9 AM – 1 PM | \$20



Depart on a leisurely guided hike to North Lookout with President Sean Grace, then scan the skies for migrating raptors. Bagged lunch included. Special food requests cannot be accommodated. Registration required.

Meet in Visitor Center

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Meet at Ampitheater

## HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS: JUNIOR HAWK WATCH Wednesday, Oct 15

## 10 AM – 12 PM $\mid$ \$20 For adult and one child, \$15 for Members, \$10 per additional child

Ever wonder how our team identifies the migrating raptors so fast? Or what makes Hawk Mountain a magical place for migration? Take the Raptor ID challenge, meet a raptor up close, and hit the trails to practice identifing the 16 different raptors that pass by the lookouts. Registration required.

**Education Building** 

## HAWK MOUNTAIN SANCTUARY: THE PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE OF GLOBAL RAPTOR CONSERVATION, WITH PRESIDENT SEAN GRACE | AUTUMN LECTURE

Saturday, Oct 18

5 – 6 PM | FREE

Join HMS President Sean Grace as he shares the ongoing story of Hawk Mountain's powerful role in worldwide raptor conservation.

**Visitor Center Gallery** 

## HAWK MOUNTAIN TRICK OR TREAT TRAIL Sunday, Oct 19

#### 1 – 3:30 PM | \$15, \$10 for Members

Put on your costume and join us for a festive day of fall fun with a transformed trail, live animal encounters, a costume contest, and photo opportunities at the South Lookout and Wings of Wonder Gallery. Registration required.

Silhouette Trail ட்ட, South Lookout ட்ட, Visitor Center Gallery

## CONSERVATION AND LANDSCAPE FRAGMENTATION: THE VIEW FROM HAWK MOUNTAIN AND SOUTHEASTERN PA | AUTUMN LECTURE

Saturday, Oct 25

5 - 6 PM | FREE

Dan Arcadia will discuss the broader and local impacts of forest fragmentation on wildlife, plus a summary of research conducted at Hawk Mountain and across southeastern PA on forest wildlife.

**Visitor Center Gallery** 

#### YOGA ON THE MOUNTAIN

Sunday, Oct 26 9 – 10 AM | \$25

Clear your mind and open your senses with nature by joining our monthly Yoga on the Mountain session in partnership with local studio Yoga-B-Yoga. No experience necessary. Registration required.

**Acopian Center** 

#### **OWLOWEEN** Sunday, Oct 26 1 – 2 PM | \$15

Member Exclusive

Spend the afternoon with Hawk Mountain owl ambassadors. Learn all about these nocturnal birds of prey while enjoying some light snacks, and then dissect a real owl pellet! Registration required.

**Education Building** 

## INTRODUCTION TO RAPTOR FIELD TECHNIQUES Thursday, Oct 30 – Sunday, Nov 2

#### \$700, \$650 for Members and students

This four-day workshop builds your skills in raptor field techniques and offers insight on how biologists study raptors. Learn new methods or hone existing skills with this handson training in raptor ID, trapping methods, handling, blood sampling, surveys, telemetry, and more. Must be 18+ to participate. Registration required.

Meet at Education Building





# NOVEMBER

#### **EAGLE DAY**

Saturday, Nov 1

10 AM – 3 PM, Programs at 12 PM & 2 PM Trail fee applies for Non-Members

Come see a LIVE golden and bald eagle; this is the only day you'll be guaranteed to see one up close! Also get to learn about HMS's long-term eagle migration counts and other cool eagle facts at the Eagle Discovery Station.

Amphitheater

#### **ROSALIE'S BIRTHDAY BIRD WALK**

Sunday, Nov 2

9 AM - 12 PM | Trail fee applies to Non-Members

Celebrate our founder Rosalie Edge's birthday with a guided bird walk to the iconic North Lookout. Registration required.

Meet at Visitor Center

#### **WEE ONES WALK: MAGNIFICENT MAMMALS**

Wednesday, Nov 5

10 - 11:30 AM | \$15, \$10 for Members

Learn about the many different mammals that live in the forest surrounding Hawk Mountain, and explore their native habitat with us as we hike around the Visitor Center and learn about them through games, songs, and crafts. Designed for children 3-5 years old. Registration required.

Visitor Center Gallery

#### INTRODUCTION TO RAPTOR FIELD TECHNIQUES

Thursday, Nov 6 – Sunday, Nov 9 \$700, \$650 for Members and students

This four-day workshop builds your skills in raptor field techniques and offers insight on how biologists study raptors. Learn new methods or hone existing skills with this handson training in raptor ID, trapping methods, handling, blood sampling, surveys, telemetry, and more. Must be 18+ to participate. Registration required.

Meet at Education Building

#### **MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY**

Saturday, Nov 8 – Tuesday, Nov 11

Active service members and veterans receive FREE trail admission or \$15 off a new membership.

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#### YOUTH DISCOVERY HIKE Sunday, Nov 9

10 AM – 1 PM | \$15



Youth ages 10-16 are invited to come spend the day at Hawk Mountain! Head out on the North Lookout Trail and learn how to identify birds of prey from a distance. Eat lunch at North Lookout and participate in our annual Autumn Migration Count. Registration required.

Meet in Visitor Center

## WILDLIFE REHABILITATION: WHAT WE DO AND WHY | AUTUMN LECTURE

Saturday, Nov 15 5 – 6 PM | FREE

This presentation by Red Creek Wildlife Center Public Program Director Lylee Leonard will cover the basics of wildlife rehabilitation and dive into some patient stories while sharing the importance of wildlife rehabilitation and conservation efforts. Also get to meet several live animals!

**Visitor Center Gallery** 

#### **HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS: LIGHTS OUT!**

Wednesday, Nov 19

10 AM - 12 PM

## \$20 For adult and one child, \$15 for Members, \$10 per additional child

Come discover the nocturnal lives of animals who make the Sanctuary their home. Investigate the different techniques that nighttime critters have developed to help them survive and thrive! Registration required.

**Education Building** 

#### YOGA ON THE MOUNTAIN

Sunday, Nov 30 9 – 10 AM | \$25

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## TRAIL CLOSINGS DUE TO DEER HUNTING

ALL Sanctuary trails are closed on the following dates for visitor safety during the rifle hunting season:

Saturday, Nov 29 Sunday, Nov 30 Saturday, Dec 6 Saturday, Dec 13



All trails EXCEPT for the main Lookout Trail are closed on the following dates:

Monday, Dec 1 – Friday, Dec 5 Monday, Dec 8 – Friday, Dec 12











Wednesday, Dec 3

10 - 11:30 AM | \$15, \$10 for Members

"Brr" it's cold outside! Join us INSIDE for hands-on activities, stories, crafts, and an experiment or two as we learn about... SNOW! Meet a live raptor and enjoy hot cocoa as we gather around the fireplace. Hawk Designed for children 3-5 years old. Registration required.

**Visitor Center Gallery** 

#### **WINTER WOODS WALK**

Sunday, Dec 7

10 AM – 1 PM | Trail fee applies for Non-Members

Celebrate the coming of the winter season with a guided walk on Sanctuary trails to observe and learn about our winter woodland flora and fauna. Registration required.

Meet at Visitor Center

**HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS: WINTER ECOLOGY** 

Wednesday, Dec 17

10 AM - 12 PM

\$20 For adult and one child, \$15 for Members, \$10 per additional child

Time to put on your knit thinking cap! This month we explore the adaptations of animals and plants surviving the winter in northern latitudes. Learn identification, natural history, and meet some raptors who winter in Pennsylvania. Registration required.

**Education Building** 

YOGA ON THE MOUNTAIN

Sunday, Dec 28 9 – 10 AM | \$25

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#### **APPALACHIAN WINTER ECOLOGY WORKSHOP**

Saturday, Jan 17 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM

\$100, \$85 for Members and students

Taught by Dr. Dan Ardia, Professor of Biology at Franklin and Marshall College, this 3-day workshop will explore Hawk Mountain's winter wildlife and how plants and other wildlife adapt to this critical life cycle period. Registration required.

Meet in Visitor Center





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# Benefit for the Bircls Friday, May 16 | 6:30 - 9:30 PM | \$175

Join Hawk Mountain staff and community at Folino Estate Winery to celebrate and enjoy good food, drinks, music, and mingling all to benefit the Sanctuary and kick off the 2025 Spring fundraising campaign. Also get to enjoy a brief presentation about our expanding farmland raptors research.

Visit hawkmountain.org/benefit for more details and to purchase your ticket. Interested in sponsoring or donating to the event?

Contact Benefit coordinator Tammy Jandrasitz-Bodey at jandrasitz@hawkmountain.org.





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### LEADERSHIP DONOR EVENTS

Supporters at \$250 or higher and Rosalie Edge Society members receive exclusive invites to the following events.

To learn more, contact Mary Linkevich at 610-756-6000 x212 or linkevich@hawkmountain.org.

PRESIDENT'S CIRCLE Saturday, May 17, 11 AM Sunday, Sept 7, 11 AM

Meet the Hawk Mountain president and leadership staff while you mix and mingle with fellow legacy and leadership donors. Enjoy complimentary brunch and an update from the president followed by a presentation on one of our ongoing conservation programs.

**Education Building** 



### APPALACHIAN ECOLOGY COURSE June 16 through June 22

Hawk Mountain is offering a hands-on, immersive course experiencing and learning about the ecology of the Appalachians. Designed for teens ages 15 to 17 who are interested in a future as a conservation professional, this course is based on the principles of service learning where participants engage in meaningful, hands-on conservation work while living in a collaborative environment.

This residential course will foster a strong sense of community and teamwork while exploring a wide variety of disciplines including raptor and songbird field research, forest ecology, habitat management, GIS/GPS, herpetology, entomology, native plant propagation, and more, along with a focus on building valuable life skills. Scholarship opportunities are available!

Contact Noah Rauch at rauch@hawkmountain.org or visit hawkmountain.org/AppEcologyCourse for more details.

#### Saturday, August 9 | 5 – 8 PM \$65, \$35 for those not tasting

Come spend a late summer evening on the Mountain in support of Hawk Mountain and to celebrate the beginning of another autumn migration season! Enjoy unlimited tastings of beers, ciders, seltzers, wines, and more, along with live music and a delicious buffet dinner.

Details and registration can be found at





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