

Upcoming Events at Nestucca Bay National Wildlife Refuge

Berries and Beyond

Monday, August 6th · 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Walk the Refuge with Lee Sliman, Refuge volunteer and self-described plant geek. Together with Lee you will walk refuge trails and identify many plants regularly eaten by Native Americans as well as pioneers and contemporary outdoor enthusiasts. We will also discuss the safety and protocol for tasting plants that are new to us. Don't miss this opportunity both to advance your awareness of coastal vegetation and expand your knowledge of Native wild edibles. The program will start in the first, or lower, parking lot.



Photo: Laurel Fan

Wildlife Refuge Paddle Trip

Thursday, August 23rd · 4:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Come out for a guided evening paddle along the Little Nestucca River. We will start at the Tillamook county boat launch on Meda Loop and then paddle west along the Nestucca Bay turning around at the Cannery Hill Point on the Bay. Nestucca Bay Refuge volunteer Lee Sliman will join the Tillamook Estuaries Partnership for this guided paddle and will talk about the natural history and mission of the Refuge. This is a chance for a sea level view of eagles, ducks, herons, kingfishers and other wildlife that are often present on this water trail. Meet at the Meda Loop County Boat Ramp at 4:00 p.m. Participants must supply their own boats, paddles and Personal Flotation Devices.



Photo: Emily Eppinger/USFWS

The Making of a Meadow

Monday, August 27th · 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

The grasslands of Nestucca Bay Refuge may look withered now but they are on the brink of restoration. Plant experts have begun work to restore the area to native grassland and prairie habitat. Many changes will occur over the next five years. Join refuge volunteer Lee Sliman on a walk as she showcases the first steps of this restoration and explains what you can expect to see in the future. The program will start at the second, or upper, parking lot.

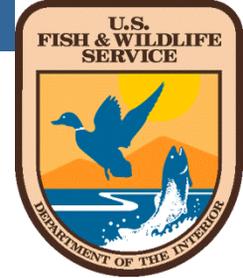


Photo: J. Michael Patterson

• **Events are Free and Open to the Public** •

Questions? Contact Lee Sliman at (503) 392-9047

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Photo by David Ledig

Color Walk

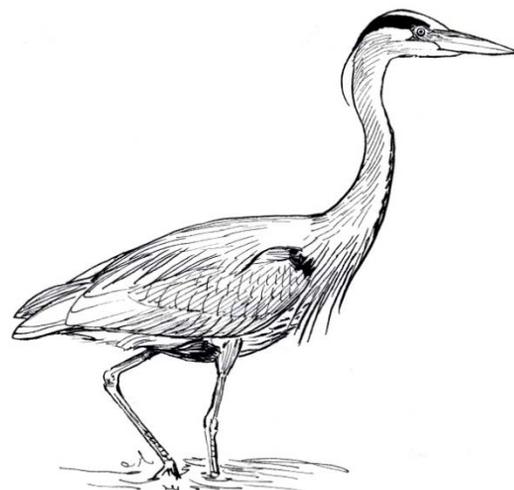
Saturday, September 1st · 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

An enjoyable outing for kids and adults. Participants will make his/her own unique color chart from a large box of crayons. Then everyone will join Refuge Volunteer Lee Sliman for a colorful nature walk along the Pacific View Trail. During the walk everyone will try to spot a plant or animal that showcases the colors on their charts. A plant color BINGO of sorts! The program will start in the first parking lot.

Nature Journaling

Sunday, September 9th · 5:30 p.m. – dusk

Anyone can be a Naturalist! A Naturalist is simply a student of nature. Most of the well-known naturalists started out collecting bits and pieces of their wild experiences as well as documenting their observations through notes and sketches. Nature Journals have no set format. Dress comfortably and bring something to take notes on or with. We will share ideas about supplies and portability. Bring your cameras, binoculars and hand lens if you have them; a limited number will be available for the group to share. Join Refuge Volunteer Lee Sliman on a meander around Nestucca Bay Refuge as she marks a new phase in her life by beginning her own nature journal. The program will start in the first, or lower, parking lot.



Artwork: Ram Papish

Art in the Refuge

Sunday, September 30th · 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

The refuge welcomes artists of all skill levels and media to come out and work in the wild. A support shelter will be set up with water and miscellaneous support supplies for artists. Plant & wildlife ID books, art folios and both media and technique-oriented publications will also be on hand. Access to running water and a sink for media cleanup will be available. Artists may choose to join impromptu group reviews throughout the day. Bring your own art supplies and plan to be portable. All art will take place on trail and roads edge. Check in at the lower parking lot at any time on the 30th.



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