



## Friends of Five Rivers Program Offerings - Fall 2020

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Engaging scientific programming available to **YOU** at Five Rivers this fall! Adults, children, students and family/friend groups can explore, discover and wonder with Friends' Naturalists, both in person and online.

*Find your program fit with Friends of Five Rivers!*

### For Adults

#### Talk and Trek

Become a part of a community of learners interested in exploring nature and sharing knowledge! Each week we will walk and talk about selected flora, fauna and historical/geological features at Five Rivers, using reference guides and a variety of items including skulls and pelts.

Who? Adult individuals    Maximum Number of Participants: 8 Adults

When? 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. for five consecutive Mondays. Begins October 19, 2020

Where? In person at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center

Fee? \$35 for Friends Members / \$50 for Non-Members

Questions? Contact Nancy at [gsp5rivers@outlook.com](mailto:gsp5rivers@outlook.com) for further information.

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### For Children

#### Guided School Program

Actively engage your entire class in the discovery process through hands-on experiences and minds-on investigation at Five Rivers. Our classrooms are the field, pond and stream habitats brimming with life! Choose from five age appropriate lessons including Exploring the Outdoors, Animal Signs, Insects, Stream Life and World of Pond and delve into concepts such as adaptations, life cycles, food chains and seasonal changes.

Who? Schools.    Maximum Participants / Day: 40 students with 8 school chaperones  
Participants will be divided into groups of 10 students with 2 school chaperones

When? Lessons offered on Thursday and Friday mornings. Begins September 17<sup>th</sup>.  
Lesson time selected by teacher. Lesson duration 2 hours

Where? In person at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center

Fee? \$50 / group of 10 students with 2 school chaperones

Reservations? [Go to the School Programs tab for more information and online reservation](#)

## For Children (Continued)

### Pond Study by Young Scientists

Calling all motivated young scientists who want to be outside building their knowledge of the scientific research processes! Join a team of likeminded peers led by Friends Naturalists and research the health of a pond. Learn to use equipment including aquascopes, secchi disks, dichotomous keys and more!

Who? Individuals entering Grades 6 to 12. Team Size: 6 students and 2 Friends Naturalists

When? 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on Thursdays for eight weeks. Begins September 24<sup>th</sup>.

Where? In person at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center

Fee? \$125 for Friends Members / \$150 for Non-Members - Material fees included

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### Citizen Science Exploring and Sharing Club

Stuck at home wishing you could be out with friends exploring and sharing? You can virtually! Meet weekly from September to April with Friends Naturalists and peers via Zoom and grow as a Citizen Scientist. Club members will learn to observe closely, create journal entries, sketch for detail and report their bird sightings on Cornell Lab of Ornithology's Project Feederwatch.

Who? Individuals grades 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>. Maximum Club Size: 12 students

When? 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays or Wednesdays for 8 months.

Begins September 29<sup>th</sup>. \*

\*Choice of Tuesdays or Wednesdays.

Where? Virtually via Zoom

Fee? \$75 includes Cornell's Project Feederwatch membership, materials, mailings and Club fees

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## For Families

### Family Fun Program

Families with young children will accompany Naturalists on interactive, themed discovery walks around Five Rivers. Activity pages will be sent home each week to create an expanding Journal.

Who? Pre-school children and Parents or Adult Caregivers. Older siblings welcome!  
Maximum Group Size: 2 families / Friends Naturalist

When? 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. Tuesdays or Wednesdays for three weeks. Begins September 15/16\*.  
\*Choice of Tuesdays or Wednesdays. Additional sessions run October through December.

Where? In person at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center

Fee? \$8 for Friends Members / \$10 for Non-Members; \$5 material fee / child

Questions? Contact Nancy at [nancy.payne@dec.ny.gov](mailto:nancy.payne@dec.ny.gov) for further information.

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### Family Fieldtrips

Enhance your family's scientific learning this fall by scheduling a Family Fieldtrip to Five Rivers! Meet a Naturalist and become a limnologist studying a stream or an entomologist studying insects or even a naturalist studying the field and forest habitats.

Who? Families or Friend Groups\* Maximum Group Size: 8 participants\* / Friends Naturalist  
\* 2 Adults required on every Fieldtrip

[What? Nature Fieldtrip](#) [Click here for a list of outing descriptions.](#)

When? 11:30 to 12:30 or 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Begins September 16<sup>th</sup>

Where? In person at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center

Fee? \$10 for Friends Members / \$15 for Non-Members

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