



Programs and Events

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

10–10:30 a.m. The Story Tree Preschool Program

Meet in the Visitor Center.

Welcome to our enchanting nature story time, a magical experience specially crafted for curious minds ages 3 to 5, though all ages are welcome! Come sing a song, learn about the weather, guess what is in the magic basket, listen to a story, learn Ojibwe and do a fun craft!

Afterwards, have fun exploring our playground and nature play area or our Visitor Center that has puppets, live fish, a life-sized beaver lodge you can crawl in, puzzles, games and much more!

Adults must accompany children.

Meet in the Visitor Center.



2–3:30 p.m. Bird House Workshop

Meet at the Visitor Center.

Come on out to the park to make your own bird house to take home! Help cavity-nesting birds by creating a sheltered place for them to build nests, lay eggs and raise their young.

This workshop is for ages six and older and adults must accompany children. This workshop is free, but all vehicles entering the park need a valid Minnesota State Park vehicle permit.

Registration is required and is limited to 14 participants. To register, call the park office at 218-308-2300.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

9–11 a.m. Nature Journal Workshop

Meet in the Visitor Center.

At this fun workshop, we will make our own nature journals and spend time writing in them using prompts about the natural world. All ages are welcome. Meet in the Visitor Center.



6–8 p.m. Fall Fest Candlelight Adventure

Bring your costumes and experience the magic and mystery of the woods at night with our Fall Fest Candlelight Adventure! As the path is illuminated by glowing candles, you'll walk through shadowy trees, feel the cool breeze and hear the rustling leaves.

This family-friendly event includes a 3/4 mile candlelight hike to the Lavinia Group Camp where there will be a cozy campfire.

Stop by the Visitor Center for treats, hot cocoa and some special animal guests and at the Picnic Shelter for games, crafts and Smokey Bear! And, if the sky is clear, our telescope will be at the beach.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

10–10:30 a.m. The Story Tree Preschool Program

Meet in the Visitor Center.

Please see previous description.



1–2:30 p.m. Fall Nature Art for Kids

Meet in the Visitor Center.

Let's celebrate autumn by making fun fall themed art projects to take home! We will use natural materials in a variety of creative ways.

This program is recommended for ages 3-7, but all ages are welcome.

Stop by any time between 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. in the Visitor Center and afterwards, you can explore the Visitor Center, play at the playground or go for a nature walk.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

10–10:30 a.m. The Story Tree Preschool Program

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If you need an accommodation, please contact Christa at christa.drake@state.mn.us or 218-308-2328, two weeks prior to the event.

