

# Nolde Forest Environmental Education Center Community Programs for Aug/Sept 2020

3025 New Holland Rd  
Reading, PA 19607

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Programs are free and held in the C.H. McConnell Hall, unless otherwise noted. **Online Registrations are required for all programs**, unless noted.

Register online at:

[https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/nolde\\_forest\\_environmental\\_education\\_center/calendar](https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/nolde_forest_environmental_education_center/calendar)

*Friends of Nolde Forest EEC meet the first Wednesday of the month at 5:00PM in C.H. McConnell Hall. New members always welcome!*

## Mansion Open House

**Nolde Mansion Open House**  
Sun. Sept 6, 1:00 PM – 3:45 PM

Bring the family and friends for this free event. Now serving as an Environmental Education Center, the Nolde property was once the home of a wealthy Reading manufacturer. See our story in video, take a self-guided tour of the mansion, and go on a scavenger hunt through the mansion and grounds.

**No registration required.**

*Hosted by the Friends of Nolde Forest.*



👍 Check out the Nolde Forest Environmental Education Center Facebook page. Like and follow us to keep up with Nolde Center news and new program offerings.

<https://www.facebook.com/NoldeForestEEC/>

### Summer Nature Journaling

Wednesday, August 26  
9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Learn tips and tricks to start your nature journal and spend some quiet time in the forest observing your surroundings.

### Smartphone Naturalist: Birding with Merlin

Friday, August 28  
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Learn the fundamentals of birding in this introductory class with a technological twist. BYO binoculars and smartphone.

### Seasonal Changes Family Hike

Friday, September 6  
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

What's new in the Nolde Forest? Children ages 4-6 and their families are invited on this observational hike through the woods.

### Second Tuesday Storytime

Tuesday, September 8  
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Children ages 3-7 and their accompanying adult are invited to learn about nature. Join park staff for a story and an outdoor exploration.

### Girl Scouts Love State Parks

Saturday, September 12

**Brownie Hiker Badge**

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

**Cadette EcoTrekker Badge**

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Brownie and Cadette Girl Scouts and their adults are invited to learn hiking skills in the Nolde Forest and earn their respective badges.



### Smartphone Naturalist: iNaturalist ID

Sunday, September 27  
2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Learn how to use the iNaturalist phone app to explore your surroundings while out on the trails.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### Native Plant Garden Clean Up

Thursday, August 27  
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Join the Friends of Nolde Forest to help beautify the gardens around the mansion. Help is needed to weed out invasive plants to let the native plantings thrive.

### Second Saturday Trail Crew

Saturday, September 12  
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Join park staff to work on invasive plant removal, repairing erosion damage, cleaning out culverts or whatever else can be done to help the trail system in the park.

## Covid19 Safety Protocols

In order to help slow the spread of Covid19 all park programs will be following these procedures until further notice:

- Masks must be worn by ALL program participants for the duration of the program.
- Program group sizes are limited to 25 or less (including park staff).
- All program participants must register in advance for the program at the DCNR Calendar of events:  
[https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/nolde\\_forest\\_environmental\\_education\\_center](https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/nolde_forest_environmental_education_center)
- All programming will take place outdoors, if possible.



Hands on learning opportunities available for small student groups/homeschool co-ops/learning pods. For more information please contact Sarah Presogna at

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