

# BALTIMORE COUNTY'S NATURE QUEST

## A county-wide scavenger hunt

Nature Quest is a county-wide scavenger hunt where participants follow trail maps to locate quest posts within county parks. Pick up a Nature Quest Passport to obtain the maps of each trail post location. Some trails can be accessed by foot, bike or canoe- each trail is different! Once you've found the trail post, make a plaque rubbing in your passport. Those who get 5 trail rubbings will earn prizes.

## Art on the Trail Outdoor Nature & Art Exhibition at Lake Roland

Call for proposals. Stipend: Selected artists will receive a \$250 stipend to help cover materials and costs associated with transportation and installation. No entry fee to apply.

For more information: <https://lakeroland.org/art-trail-2/>

**PROJECT PROPOSAL DEADLINE: July 16, 2018**

**INSTALLATION DEADLINE: November 30, 2018**

## Advance registration is required for all programs.

### Registration Process

Send an email to [LakeRol-RP@BaltimoreCountyMD.gov](mailto:LakeRol-RP@BaltimoreCountyMD.gov).

### Please include in your email:

1. The name of the program you are registering for
2. If the program is offered on multiple days or times, include which session you are registering for
3. The names of each participant and their ages (For participants 18 and older, you may use "adult")
4. Your email and phone number

You will receive an e-mail response during our office's open hours, Tuesday—Friday, 9:00am—3:00pm. For additional information, please call our office at (410)-887-4156.

Without sufficient participant registration, we reserve the right to cancel any program.

### Childcare Disclaimer

This program is designed to provide a healthy and enjoyable leisure experience for your child. However, this is not a licensed childcare program and is not designed to provide child care. Therefore, parents are encouraged to discuss attendance expectations with their children.

Should you require special accommodations (language interpreter, large print, etc.), please give as much notice as possible by calling the Therapeutic Office at 410-887-5370 / TDD: 410-887-5319.



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## 2018 SPRING & SUMMER PROGRAMS

**NOTE: Registration is limited and required for all programs unless indicated otherwise. Please email us at [LakeRol-RP@BaltimoreCountyMD.gov](mailto:LakeRol-RP@BaltimoreCountyMD.gov) to register.**

**Registration is required at least one week before the program. Without sufficient pre-registration, there is a chance that the program you are interested in may be canceled.**

### Native Plant Sale

Saturday, May 5th  
9:00am – 3:00pm  
Held in front of the nature center.

Growing native plants encourages beneficial insects, birds, and other wildlife in your community. Support your backyard ecosystem with this fundraising event benefitting for the Guilford Garden Club and Lake Roland Nature Council!

### Mother's Day Bird Walk

Sunday, May 13th  
9:00am  
Ages 7 and up  
Free!

Bring your mom to Lake Roland to enjoy a guided bird walk together. Over 200 species of birds have been recorded at Lake Roland! On this easy stroll, learn the basics of bird identification and see how many resident and migrating birds you can spot. Don't forget to bring binoculars!

### Spring Campout

Friday, May 18, 6:00pm to  
Saturday, May 19, 9:00am  
Ages 5 and up  
\$10 (\$8 members)



Enjoy the Spring weather with an overnight stay in the park! We'll go on a guided night hike, make s'mores around the campfire, and enjoy breakfast in the morning. Bring dinner on Friday or cook food over the campfire. Bring your own tent. If you do not have one, we have a few tents for rent. Reservations are required for tent rentals.

**Art on the Trail is now accepting proposals for 2018-2019. See back page for details.**



### Canoe Lake Roland

Take a guided tour of Lake Roland via canoe! Enjoy time on the lake looking for wildlife such as turtles, beavers, eagles, and more. Basic paddling instruction will be provided. Registration limited.

#### Summer Saturdays:

June 2, 2018  
July 7, 2018  
August 4, 2018

Ages 6 and up  
\$15 per person (\$10 members)  
10:00am—1:00pm

Please arrive 15 minutes before the program begins, boats will depart on time.

Register early—a limited number of canoes are available.

### Nature Quest Canoe

May 6, 2018 or  
September 23, 2018

Ages 6 and up  
\$10 per person  
(\$8 members)  
2:00-4:00pm

Join us for a guided search via canoe for the Nature Quest marker on Lake Roland.

Registration limited.

<b>Fishing Frenzy</b> Saturday, June 9th 9:30-11:30am Ages 4 and up \$5 (\$3 members)	Learn how to identify a fish, bait a hook, and more. Then try to catch a fish! Other activities will include games, crafts, and making your very own fishing pole!  This is a Maryland “free fishing” day—a license is not required.
<b>Fairies &amp; Dragons</b> Sunday, June 10th 2:00-4:00pm Ages 5 and up \$5 (\$3 members)	Come learn about the mysterious forest-dwellers of myth and legend said to visit the human world at the Summer Solstice. We'll search the park for signs of dragons and the fair folk. Then use natural materials to create a fairy house or dragon's lair.
<b>Great American Campout</b> Friday, June 22nd, 6:00pm to Saturday June 23rd, 9:00am Ages 5 and up \$10 (\$8 members)	This weekend, join thousands of people across the nation for The Great American Campout! We'll go on a ranger led night hike, make s'mores around the campfire, and enjoy breakfast in the morning. Bring dinner on Friday. Bring your own tent. If you do not have one, we have a few to rent, by reservation only.
<b>Firefly Campfire</b> Saturday, July 14th 7:00-9:00pm Ages 5 and up \$5 (\$3 members)	Join us for the magic of chasing and catching flashing fireflies (or lighting bugs as some call them). We'll learn why and how fireflies shine their lights and make a firefly craft. The evening will end with toasting marshmallows around our campfire.
<b>Mini Mud Day</b> Monday, July 23rd 3:00pm-4:30pm Ages 1-8 \$3 (\$2 members)	International Mud Day is a day for children all over the world to celebrate nature, the glorious earth beneath our feet, and the joy of making a mess by getting really muddy. Your young child can immerse themselves in mud play at a variety of stations that include sensory activities, crafts, and just plain (dirty) fun!  Older children and parents are invited to enjoy our annual Mud Day on Sunday, August 26, from 2-4pm.
<b>Tracks and Trains</b> Sunday, July 29th 1:00 - 2:30pm Ages 4-10 \$5 (\$3 members)	All Aboard for an adventure! Explore the old, hidden tracks of trains from the past in Lake Roland. Children will enjoy a story, a craft, and will learn all about trains that once travelled in and around the park.
<b>Shooting Stars Campfire</b> Friday, August 10th 7:00pm-9:00pm Ages 5 and up \$5 (\$3 members)	Have you ever seen a shooting star? Try your luck on this moon-less night and search the skies during a meteor shower! The Perseid meteor shower is so named because even though its "shooting stars" can appear anywhere in the sky. Their streaks can all be traced to the constellation Perseus.

<p><b>After School: Nature Scouts</b> Ages 6-12 Cost: \$25 for 6 sessions</p> <p>Tuesdays, May 1—June 5; 4:30-5:30pm</p> <p>Children have fun learning important outdoor know-how! A naturalist will lead children in discovering nature and environmental survival skills.</p>
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<b>Singing Insects Campfire</b> Saturday, August 25th 7:00-9:00pm Ages 8 and up \$5 (\$3 members)	The soundscape of Summer evenings includes the trills, chirps, and beeps of insects calling for mates. We'll learn how they make their music and take a walk through the park to see how many we can identify by listening for them. Participants will help collect data for the “Cricket Crawl” citizen science project. Then end the evening with s'mores at our campfire.
<b>Mud Day</b> Sunday, August 26th 2:00-4:00pm All ages! Parents welcome! \$5 (\$3 members)	Get down and dirty exploring the world of mud! We'll have mud painting, mud sculptures, mud games, a muddy obstacle course, and of course—the very popular mud pit! Clean off by running through our sprinklers or get hosed off by the fire department. Wear clothes that can get wet and muddy! Please wear water shoes or Crocs to run the obstacle course!  Parents: Please bring towels and a change of clothes for your muddy participants!

<b>ONGOING PROGRAMS</b>	
<b>Acorn Hill Nature Drop-in</b> Summer Saturdays June 30th—Aug 25th 9:30am—11:30am Ages 5 and up FREE	Drop in any time between 9:30-11:30am to enjoy some summer nature fun. Activities include arts and crafts, nature building, water play, animal encounters, and more. Activities vary weekly.  Children must be accompanied by an adult.
<b>Baltimore Bird Club Walks</b> Tuesdays April 24th—May 15th 8:00am Adults only, Free!	Join a bird walk lead by the Baltimore Bird Club! Park in the MTA light rail parking lot and meet at the boardwalk entrance. It is a great time of year for migrating birds, hawks, eagles, and more! Bring your own binoculars. All skill levels are welcome. Walks leave promptly at 8:00am, please no dogs.
<b>Nature Book Club</b> Mondays, every 6-8 weeks 6:30 - 8:30pm Adults only, Free!	Meet at the Nature Center to discuss some of the greatest nature book selections. Bring a snack to share. Meetings are on Mondays every few weeks. Please e-mail for details about our upcoming book selections and meeting dates. LakeRol-RP@BaltimoreCountyMD.gov
<b>Friday Strolls</b> Every Friday 9:00 - 10:00am Adults only, Free!	Join us for some exercise while enjoying the sights and sounds of Lake Roland. The terrain is varied, but mostly flat with some hills. Hiking boots are recommended. Please bring water with you.
<b>Art on the Trail</b> All ages, Free!	Art on the trail offers a unique view of the world around us. Installations from artisans are located along the red, yellow, and blue trails.  For more information, visit <a href="http://lakeroland.org/art-trail-2/">http://lakeroland.org/art-trail-2/</a>
<b>Yoga in the Park</b> First Saturday of the month 9:00 - 10:00am Ages 10 and up \$2 per person	Join us for an all-levels gentle yoga class with a beautiful view of the Lake Roland dam. Please bring a yoga mat if you have one. Mats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Please meet at the Nature Center. Yoga will be outside, weather permitting.