



SPRING 2023

PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

April - June



Interactive



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FAMILY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

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FARMYARD STORYTIME - \$7

Pre-registration Required

Every Monday April 3 - May 29 - 10am-11am.

Open to all ages. Location: Education Barn.

Story books amongst the farmyard critters, what could be a more enjoyable start to your week?

FRIDAY FARMERS - \$7

Pre-registration Required

Every Friday starting April 7 - June 30 - 10am-11:30am.

Open to ages 3 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Come get your boots dirty and join us as we explore the many jobs on the farm and meet the animals.

FARMYARD HELPER - \$7

Pre-registration Required

SCHOOL AGE!

April 8, 13, May 10, 13, June 8, 17 - 3:30pm-5pm.

Open to ages 6 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Add some excitement to your day and join us in the Family Farmyard for a specially designed program for the older kiddos. Your hands will get a little dirty while you get an up close and personal experience with our resident farm animal personalities.

WOODLAND WONDERS - \$7

Pre-registration Required

SCHOOL AGE!

April 18 & 22 - 10am-11:30am.

Open to ages 6 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Put on your detective cap and join us as we set out to our trails behind the farmyard to explore and investigate a wildly wonderful forested habitat. We will learn all about what makes the forest such a unique place full of life and mystery.

SEARCHING FOR SPRING - \$7

Pre-registration Required

April 19 & 23 - 10am - 11:30am.

Open to ages 3 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Calling all nature detectives! Spring is a magical season in the natural world and we will be setting out into the woods to search for any clues that is has indeed arrived.

AFTERNOON AT THE EQUESTRIAN CENTER - \$7

Pre-registration Required

SCHOOL AGE!

April 21, May 19, June 16 - 12:30pm-2pm.

Open to ages 6 & up. Location: Equestrian Center.

Enjoy an afternoon at our Equestrian Center with the amazing Morgan Horses that are housed there. We will tour the Morgan Horse Museum, arena, outdoor pastures, and help groom one of our favorite equine friends in the barn.

WORKING WITH WOOL - \$8

Pre-registration Required

April 30 & May 2 - 10am-11:30am.

Open to all ages. Location: Education Barn.

Join us to learn about our fiber animals and get familiar with the process behind turning sheep's fleece into ready to use wool. Try your hand at making a felted craft to take home!

NEW PROGRAM SERIES

SOLD OUT!



PLAY DAYS AT PINELAND - \$30

Program includes 3 visits.

Pre-registration Required.
One adult is free with child.

In the Woods: April 26 - 10:00AM - 11:00AM
At the Pond: May 24 - 10:00AM - 11:00AM
In the Garden: June 28 - 10:00AM - 11:00AM

Meet outside the Conference Center at:
16 Pineland Dr. New Gloucester, Maine

Description:

During this multi-visit program, designed for ages 2-5 with their adult caregiver, kids will have the opportunity to build relationships while exploring the environments of Pineland Farms. Age appropriate games and activities will engage participants and inspire their natural curiosity in the world around them.



Photo Credit: Lizzy DeVan

Pre-register for family programs here:



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FELTED BALLS - \$8

Pre-registration Required

SCHOOL AGE!

May 3 & 17 - 3:30pm-5pm.

Open to ages 6 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Take a walk through our education barn to meet our furry fiber friends. For this program, we will be crafting felted balls using processed wool, a simple and fun activity. Come and learn the basics of working with fiber!

FROGS, FISH, & WIGGLES - \$7

Pre-registration Required

May 4, 10, 14, 16, & 20 - 10am-11:30am.

Open to ages 3 & up. Location: Big Pond.

Come discover life around the pond as we look for amphibious friends and learn about their habitat. We will be mucking around near our pond so please dress appropriately!

FELTED FLOWERS - \$10

Pre-registration Required

SCHOOL AGE!

May 9 - 3:30pm-5pm.

Open to ages 10 & up. Location: Education Barn.

We hope you come to enjoy the farm for this special afternoon designed for a slightly older audience. Using processed wool, a bit of creativity, some patience and soapy water we will be crafting a felted flower. These lovely reminders of spring to come are great as a gift or to take home to enjoy yourself.

ICE CREAM MAKING - \$8

Pre-registration Required

June 3, 14, 18, 22, & 29 - 10am-11:30am.

Open to all ages. Location: Education Barn.

Join us on the farm to mix up our own specially crafted batch of ice cream and explore our dairy barns while our sweet treat mixes. Afterwards, we will enjoy our delicious creation.

SOIL, SEEDS, & SPROUTS - \$7

Pre-registration Required

June 10 & 13 - 10am-11:30am.

Open to ages 3 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Come dig in our soil and learn what a plant needs to grow. We will be exploring our gardens to understand the perfect recipe for healthy plants.

SALSA MAKING - \$8

Pre-registration Required

June 25 & 27 - 10am-11:30am.

Open to ages 3 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Join us for a family program designed to awaken your taste buds to the flavors of the season. We will use fresh strawberries from our produce division and herbs from our garden to learn how to make a farm-fresh salsa.

FAMILY PROGRAM FAQ's

- Our barns are exposed to the elements. Please wear appropriate weather attire.
- Adult paid participation is required.
- Arrive 15 minutes early to programs.
- Due to the nature of a working farm some programs / featured animals will vary.

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See our StoryWalk story schedule here:

STORYWALK - FREE

Pre-registration Required

Every Monday June 5 - 26 - 10am-11am.

Open to all ages. Location: Market & Welcome Center.

Join us for a 1-mile stroll on our trails stopping to read along the way. The StoryWalk Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle and Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Stories change every 2 weeks view our story schedule here: <https://pinelandfarms.org/story-walk>



APRIL VACATION

Monday, April 17 - Friday, April 21, 2023

Join us for an April vacation of exploration, fun and learning at Pineland Farms. Explore the farm with our Dairy Quest and Farmyard Scout and welcome spring to Pineland Farms.

Additional educator led, hands-on, experiences will be repeated throughout the day. Schedules will be available on location on the day of your visit.

All visitors will have the opportunity to enter a raffle to win a Farm Season Pass! (more details will be coming soon!)



TEEN & ADULT ACTIVITIES

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CONNECT WITH NATURE - \$50

Pre-registration Required

April 1, May 6, June 3 - 12:30pm-4:30pm

Ages 18 & up. Location: Education Barn.

This 4-hour workshop will blend the approaches of a naturalist and techniques of a nature therapy guide to create an understanding of emotional and scientific relationships with "the living world." Questions will naturally arise while exploring and making observations. Walking at the pace of curiosity, we will answer the questions we can, use resources to find answers we don't have and maintain the humble practice of not-knowing.

Contact Education: education@pinelandfarms.org or 207.650.3031

FULL MOON SNOWSHOE - \$30

Pre-registration Required

April 6 - 6pm-9pm.

Open to all ages. Must be able to hike various terrain in snow for 3 miles. Location: Outdoor & Fitness Center. Weather dependent.

Bring some friends or family and come join us for a full moon Snowshoe hike. We will be snowshoeing from the Pineland Farms Outdoor & Fitness Center to the Oak Hill Cabin where the group will enjoy a lit firepit and great views of the Full Moon and the surrounding stars. During this outing you will be learning how to use and hike in snowshoes, snowshoe etiquette, and much more!

Contact: Outdoor@pinelandfarms.org or 207.688.6599

NATURE FOREST THERAPY - \$20

Pre-registration Required

April 2, May 7, June 4 - 10am-12pm

Ages 18 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Are you looking for a different way to destress and connect to the natural world around you? Hughes Kraft, a Certified Nature Forest Therapy Guide, is partnering with Pineland Farms to share his knowledge of and love for the spectacular forests of Maine.

Nature Forest Therapy Walks are two hour opportunities to slow down, connect with nature and with oneself. It is not a destination hike, nor is it a nature walk where things are named and described, it is an invitation to explore the relationship between the humans and the more than human world surrounding us. We hope you accept.

Contact Education: education@pinelandfarms.org or 207.650.3031

CHEESEMAKING & DAIRY TOUR - \$15

Pre-registration Required

April 12, 16, May 16, 21, June 22, 24 - 3pm-5pm

Ages 14 & up. Location: The Sugar House in the Farmyard.

After learning the basics of making cheese curds, enjoy a behind the scenes tour of our dairy facility including an observation of an afternoon milking.

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OPEN GYM ACTIVITIES

Activities maybe cancelled due to Gym Rentals.
Please visit <https://pinelandfarms.org/recreation/outdoor-center/open-gym/> for our daily schedule before participating in Pickleball, Basketball, or Open Gym.

Please review our **Gymnasium Rules** before participating.

OPEN GYM

Check our website for availability mid-week & weekends.

ADULT PICKLEBALL

April-June | Mon. & Wed. 6pm-8pm Thurs.-Sun. 9am-11:30am

ADULT BASKETBALL

April-June | Tues. 6pm-8pm

All dates are subject to cancellation due to Gym Rentals.

\$5/drop-in fee or \$50/10-pass punch card.
After 10 punches turn in card for 1 free visit!

207.688.6599

See our schedule & open gym activity details here:



Pre-register for teen & adult activities here:



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THE BASICS OF MUSHROOM IDENTIFICATION WITH NORTH SPORE - \$27

Pre-registration Required

SOLD OUT!

April 15 - 10am-12pm.

Ages 18 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Have you ever walked by some beautiful mushrooms and wondered what they were, but didn't even know where to begin? This class is for you! With another mushroom season approaching, Louis Giller from North Spore Mushrooms will discuss his favorite helpful sources and how to use them. Be extra prepared to appreciate and eat the fungal marvels of Maine. **Contact:** Education@pinelandfarms.org or 207.650.3031

WOMEN'S HIKE NIGHT - \$5

Pre-registration Required

Every Wednesday, April 19 - June 28 - 6pm-8pm

All ages. Location: Outdoor & Fitness Center.

Come join us on Wednesday evenings for our weekly Women's Night! Meet some new friends and join the Pineland Farms Outdoor & Fitness Center staff for a guided 2-3 hour moderate hike along our trail systems. We will stop for a small break and snack. These hikes are designed to help you feel confident on the trails for the next time you venture out on your own solo or group hike at Pineland Farms. Hike ending times may vary. **Contact:** outdoor@pinelandfarms.org or 207.650.3031

BIKE NIGHT - \$5-\$10

Pre-registration Required

Every Thursday, April 20 - June 29 - 6pm-8pm

All ages. Location: Outdoor & Fitness Center.

Come Join us for a family friendly group bike ride. We will be meeting at the Pineland Farms Outdoor Center and will take a comfortable 1.5-2 hour ride around one of the many Pineland Farms Nordic ski trails. Bring your own bike & helmet or rent one from us. **Contact:** outdoor@pinelandfarms.org or 207.650.3031

OUTDOOR MUSHROOM CULTIVATION CLASS - \$40

Pre-registration Required

April 29 & May 6 - 1pm-3pm

Ages 18 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Have you been looking for a way to level up and diversify your garden? Maybe you have a shady, soggy section in your yard that isn't suited to vegetables? If this sounds like you, learning to be a mushroom farmer with North Spore is the answer! The focus of this class will be to educate participants in two different outdoor mushroom cultivation methods: Log Inoculation & Mushroom Beds. **Contact:** education@pinelandfarms.org or 207.650.3031

FULL MOON HIKE - \$27

Pre-registration Required

May 5, June 4 - 7pm-10pm

All ages - moderate hike. Location: Outdoor & Fitness Center.

Bring some friends or family and come join us for a full moon hike. We will be hiking from the Pineland Farms Outdoor Center. Enjoy a lit firepit and great views of the Full Moon and the surrounding stars. During this outing you will be learning how to read our trail maps and locate where you are on the trails, how to prep for hiking adventures, proper hiking attire, responsible leave no trace principals, hiking etiquette, wildlife / insect protection, and much more! This is a moderate hike over hilly terrain. **Contact:** outdoor@pinelandfarms.org or 207.688.6599

FELTED SOAP- \$30

Pre-registration Required

May 18 - 3pm-4:30pm.

Ages 14 & up with adult supervision. Location: Education Barn. Come join us for a Felted Soap Workshop. Participants will learn how to make unique felted soap bars and will leave the workshop with two complete bars - one for you and one for a friend! All materials are included. The soap bars provided are Yardley brand soap - if you have allergies and need special soap, or would prefer a different brand, please feel free to bring two bars of your choosing. **Contact:** Education@pinelandfarms.org or 207.650.3031

READING THE FORESTED LANDSCAPE - \$6

Pre-registration Required

May 23, June 15 - 5pm-7pm

Ages 14 & up with adult supervision.. Location: Education Barn.

Have you ever wondered how old the trees and forests that surround you are or what the land you are standing on was used for in the past? How could you find out? Join Shane Duigan, District Forester from the Maine Forest Service, to learn how to read the clues in the landscape!

Contact: education@pinelandfarms.org or 207.650.3031

FIDDLEHEAD FORAGE - \$45

Pre-registration Required

Fridays May 5, 12, 19 - 6pm-8pm | Saturdays May 6, 13, 20 -

8:30am-10:30am | Sundays May 7, 14, 21 - 5:30pm-7:30pm

Ages 18 & up. Location: Outdoor & Fitness Center.

This 2 hour adventure will take you on a hike to the banks of the Royal River at Pineland Farms in New Gloucester, Maine. Forage for fiddleheads with Outdoor Recreation Staff for a knowledgeable and memorable experience. Bring comfortable hiking boots, insect repellent and appropriate attire for current weather conditions.

Contact: outdoor@pinelandfarms.org or 207.688.6599



GARDEN TOURS - \$5

Pre-registration Required

Tuesdays Jun. 20, Jul. 18, Aug. 8, Sept. 12 - 2pm-3:30pm

Rain dates will be available on Wednesdays.

All ages. Location: The Garden.

Enjoy a tour and relax in our beautiful garden surroundings. Stroll the paths and mingle with friends. We'll be here to answer your garden questions. Light refreshments will be served. **Contact:** cjalbert@pinelandfarms.org or 207.688.4800 ex. 11

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MORE THINGS TO DO

In addition to our programs & activities Pineland Farms is open daily for farm visits and recreation. Stop by the Market for delicious food in our cafe & bakery or for a wide array of locally sourced produce, meats, cheeses, and grocery items - 15 Farm View Drive, New Gloucester, Maine.

FARM VISITS

You can visit the Dairy Farm, Family Farmyard, and Equestrian Center year-round with a 2-Hour Farm Pass. Farm passes are pre-registration, purchase online to reserve a time slot.
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Visit:
<https://shop.pinelandfarms.org/collections/all-classes-events/2-hour-farm-pass>



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OUTDOOR RECREATION

Hike the trails, play disc golf, bike, try orienteering, pick up a game of bocce or tennis, or enjoy our indoor activities like candlepin bowling, open gym basketball, pickleball, and more!
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Visit:
<https://pinelandfarms.org/recreation/outdoor-center/>

VISIT THE GARDENS

All of our professionally designed gardens are created and maintained for the public to enjoy and learn. The Garden, Lilac Garden and Annual Displays around Campus and the Great Lawn are available FREE for all to enjoy from 8 am until dusk spring, summer & fall.

Visit:
<https://pinelandfarms.org/experience/the-gardens/>



CANDLEPIN BOWLING

Family-friendly lanes include bumpers for those who would like to utilize them. Paper score cards are provided. \$20/lane per hour. 4 people per lane. Please bring your own bowling shoes or wear socks.
207.688.6599



Visit:
<https://pinelandfarms.org/recreation/outdoor-center/candlepin-bowling/>



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SEASON PASSES

Do you love our family programs and recreational opportunities? Get an annual or season pass to the farm, disc golf, xc skiing, biking, or snowshoeing for added benefits including 10% off purchases at the Market. Learn more about our Educational & Recreational opportunities at pinelandfarms.org

FARM SEASON PASS

Grants a family of four access to the farm, 50% off family programs, and 10% off at the Market for one whole year!
207.650.3031

Visit:
<https://shop.pinelandfarms.org/collections/annual-season-passes/products/farm-season-pass-1>



OPEN GYM PUNCH CARD

Join us for teen & adult open gym activities. Drop in for \$5/per person or \$50/ for this 10-pass punch card and receive 1 free visit after you turn in your card with 10 punches. 207.688.6599

Visit:
<https://shop.pinelandfarms.org/collections/all-recreation-passes-activities/products/open-punch-card>



RECREATION SEASON PASSES

We offer season passes to XC skiing & snowshoeing as well as annual passes for mountain/fat biking & disc golf! All recreation season passes offer access to your favorite activity plus 10% off at the Market, 2 free guest passes, and 10% off rentals.

To learn more about each season or annual pass scan the QR code below and select the pass that interests you!

Call 207.688.4539

Visit:
<https://shop.pinelandfarms.org/collections/all-recreation-passes-activities>

