



Scarborough Marsh Audubon Center

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Programs at Scarborough Marsh



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Canoeing and Kayaking Rentals

*Boating is tide dependent. Do not go on the water
one hour before or after low tide.*

*Walk-in service on a first come, first served
basis. Boat, paddles, map, and life jackets
provided.*

Canoe/Kayak Rentals

Discover the meandering Dunstan River on
your self-guided exploration. We'll provide a
canoe/kayak, map, and life jackets.

Daily, 9 am–4 pm

\$25/hour; \$35/1.5 hours; \$45/2 hours
(\$55 maximum)

Guided Tours*

Due to unpredictability of tides, we cannot always run tours.

** Please arrive 30 minutes before start time.
Boats, paddles, and life jackets provided.*

Canoe Tours

Learn about the marsh wildlife and plants as
you paddle along the Dunstan River. Led by
Maine Audubon guide.

10–11:30 am, Various Days

Visit maineaudubon.org/smac for the schedule.
\$16/adult, \$12/child (6-18 yrs)



Full Moon Canoe Tours

Experience the sights and sounds of marsh
creatures at night under the full moon.

June 27, 28, 29; 7:45–9:15 pm

July 27, 28, 29; 7:45–9:15 pm

August 25, 26; 6:45–8:15 pm

\$20/adult, \$12/child (8-18 yrs)

Early Morning Canoe Tour

Tour the marsh at this magical time when
animals wake up and start to explore.

August 1, 6–7:30 am

\$20/adult, \$12/child (8-18 yrs)

Sunset Canoe Tours

Enjoy the sunset and marsh wildlife while
paddling the marsh.

July 23, 24; 7:30–9 pm

August 3, 4, 17, 18; 7–8:30 pm

\$20/adult, \$12/child (8-18 yrs)

Kayak Tour

Follow a Maine Audubon guide and enjoy the
sights and sounds of the marsh.

July 17; 1–2:30 pm

August 28; 2–3:30 pm

\$20/adult, \$12/child (8-18 yrs)

Nature Sketching by Canoe

An canoe tour for artists of all abilities to
practice nature sketching in a beautiful
environment. Led by artist and Maine
Master Naturalist Rebekah Lowell.

Saturday, August 8, 10–11:30 am

\$20/adult, \$12/child (6-18 yrs)



Photo: Doug Hitchcox

Education Programs

Advanced reservation required

Family & Beginner Bird Walks

Join a Maine Audubon Naturalist in a search for birds in the marsh habitat.

Binoculars available to borrow.

June 27, July 25, August 16; 8–9:30 am

Free, but donations cheerfully accepted!

Bird Monitoring

Join us on foot, canoe, or kayak for a marsh-wide bird survey. Novices welcome and will be paired with advanced birders. Collected data will be entered into eBird and used to determine the health of the marsh.

July 18; 8:30–11:30 am

August 15; 7:30–10:30 am

Volunteer opportunity, registration required

Sharp-Tailed Sparrow Workshop and Field Trip

Join Maine Audubon Staff Naturalist Doug Hitchcox to unravel the complexities of Sharp-tailed Sparrow ID.

July 27; 8–10 am

\$20/person

Insect and Plant Biodiversity Day

Help us survey the habitat around the Scarborough Marsh Audubon Center. Our data is shared with scientists to help determine the health of the marsh and to notice changes that are developing.

August 2, 9 am–12 pm

Volunteer opportunity, registration required

Art Programs

Advanced reservation required

Create a Seashell Wreath Workshop

Design and make a seashell wreath using your own shells/sea glass or ours.

August 19, 5:30–7 pm

\$30/person

Brush With Nature Day

A day to celebrate art and nature at the marsh! Art and crafting workshops for all ages.

August 8, 9 am–4 pm

Sunrise Watercolor at the Marsh: With local artist Kristin F. Simmons, create artwork inspired by the marsh. *Materials provided. Bring your own outdoor chair.*
8–9:30 am • \$45/person

Sculpting Nature: Join Daisy Hutt of Tannery Brook Studio and dive into handbuilding clay techniques to create your own nature-inspired piece. *Pick up work at SMAC at a later date.*
5:30–7 pm • \$30/person

Nature Journaling for Birders: Learn to sketch marsh birds with local artist Bird Warde. Open to artists of all abilities.
2–3 pm • \$18/person

Season-end Event

Labor Day Weekend Extravaganza

Join us for our last full weekend of the summer filled with fun—exhibits, crafts, raffles, used book and store-wide sales!

September 5–7; 9 am–4 pm

Free for public; fee for some programs

Adventures for Kids

Advanced reservation required. All programs \$12/child. An adult must accompany child.

5-10 yrs

Exploring Nature Through Art

June 25, July 14, 30, August 11, 25

10:30 am–12 pm

Through daily hands-on crafts and art projects, children will discover the wonders of the salt marsh. All sessions include outdoor exploration.

3-5 yrs

Cat Tales Story Hour

June 23, July 7, August 13; 10:30–11:30 am

Enjoy a story related to the marsh and afterward children will have the chance to make a craft.

3-5 yrs

Tiny Tot Tour

June 30, July 23, August 4, 27; 10:30–11:30 am

Your preschoolers will experience the marsh first-hand looking through algae for critters, jumping in the mud, and examining fish and insects up close.

8-11 yrs

Clayful Creations: Nature Pottery

July 9, 21, August 6; 10:30 am–12 pm

Search the marsh for natural artifacts, like shells and flowers, and incorporate these treasures into handmade pottery.

8-11 yrs

Salt Marsh Explorers

July 2, 28, August 20; 10:30 am–12 pm

Explore the mysteries of the salt marsh, conduct experiments, and learn why a salt marsh is one of the most diverse ecosystems on the planet.

5-10 yrs

Fantastic Flying Friends

July 16, August 18; 10:30 am–12 pm

Explore the skies, canopy, and panes for birds that live in and around the salt marsh.

Weekly Programs

Drop-in programs. Spots limited.

Early Morning Bird Walks

The best birding is often in the early morning. Join us as we search for birds in this unique habitat. *All levels welcome. Binoculars available to borrow.*

Wednesdays, all season; 8 am

Meet at the Scarborough Marsh Audubon Center

Free, but donations cheerfully accepted!

Family Nature Walk: Mummichugs and Marsh Muck

Explore the marsh for plants and animals through discovery-oriented, fun-filled activities that use all five senses.

Wednesdays, June 17–August 26

10:30 am–12 pm

\$22/family (2 adults, 2 children);

\$10 additional adult, \$5 additional child

(\$30 maximum per family)

For more information
and registration:
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