Celebrate Summer 2012 at Your State Arboretum

Programs are in the Blandy Library Unless Otherwise Noted

The Trees of D.C.
Tuesday, June 12, 1-3 pm.
Melanie Choukas-Bradley
Author, City of Trees

Washington D.C. is home to many beautiful, large, and historic trees. Join us as the author of City of Trees and other books shares stunning images in a photographic tour of the White House and Capitol grounds, the Tidal Basin, the National Arboretum, and other D.C. landscapes. Learn why trees are more essential than ever to the health of our cities. Presentation will be followed by a book signing.

FOSA members $8; nonmembers $10

Full Moon Hike
Monday, July 2, 8:30-9:30 p.m.
Explore the Arboretum under the full moon. Bring a flashlight, wear comfortable shoes, and join us as we explore the natural world at dusk and after dark. Perfect for the family, but no dogs please.

FOSA members $8; nonmembers $10
Bring the whole family for $20

Butterflies through Binoculars
Friday, July 6, 2-4 p.m.
Think binoculars are only for bird-watching? Learn to use binoculars to watch and identify butterflies as they move through Blandy’s gardens. Binoculars will be available to borrow, but bring your own if you have them.

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Make Your Own Backyard Field Guide
Tuesday, August 21, 2-4 p.m.
Whether you live on 40 wooded acres or a small lot in town, you likely get visits from songbirds, insects, small mammals, and more. What better way to learn about these visitors than by creating your own backyard field guide. These can include dates, descriptions, photos, drawings, links to web sites—there really is no limit. Get tips on how to begin, and help us start a field guide to Blandy.

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Use of Radiation in Early Plant Studies at Blandy
Wednesday, June 27, 6-7 p.m.
Helen Curry
Yale University

During the 1950s, Blandy hosted studies in which plants, especially corn, were irradiated to induce mutations. Hear about this early research and why radiation was used as a research tool.

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A Celebration of Bats
Saturday, July 14, 5-9 p.m.
Join us in a celebration of Virginia’s bats co-sponsored by FOSA and the Blue Ridge Wildlife Center. Have a picnic at Blandy, then enjoy a program and an evening walk in search of bats in flight.

5-7 p.m. Displays, information, live bats for viewing
7-8 p.m. “White nose syndrome and other threats to Virginia’s bats,” with wildlife veterinarian Belinda Burwell of the Blue Ridge Wildlife Center
8-9 p.m. Walk on grounds in search of bats

$10 FOSA and BRWC members; $15 nonmembers, children under 10 free

Blandy Movie Night: The Clean Bin Project
Friday, July 20, 7:30-9 p.m.
What happens when Jen and Grant challenge each other to produce the least trash over an entire year? You may be surprised, but their often humorous and sometimes sobering rivalry points out real issues in modern consumption and waste.

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Bicycle Tour of Blandy
Saturday, June 16, 10 a.m.-Noon
Join us on a 3-mile bicycle tour of Blandy’s Loop Road. We’ll travel slowly and stop often along the way to enjoy the sights. Bring your bicycle, water, snacks, and dress for the weather. Meet in main parking area. Note: the Loop Road is gravel.

FOSA members $8; nonmembers $10
Perfect for the whole family: $20
(no training wheels please!)

Coming this Fall:
* The Night Sky by Telescope
* Hawk Watch at Snickers Gap
* Wildlife Friendly Yards
* More Full Moon Hikes

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Virginia’s Dragonflies
Tuesday, July 17, 3-5 p.m.
Patrick Crumrine
Rowan University

Virginia is home to dozens of fascinating dragonfly and damselfly species. Join us for an introduction to these ancient insects, then walk out to Rattlesnake Spring and watch them in action as they patrol and defend their territories.

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Register Today!

☐ FOSA MEMBER or ☐ NONMEMBER

Name ________________________________
Address ________________________________
City State Zip ________________________________
Daytime Phone ________________________________
Email ________________________________

Program  No. of People Cost per Program

Total Payment Enclosed

Make checks payable to FOSA and mail to:
FOSA Programs
400 Blandy Farm Lane, Boyce VA 22620
For credit card payment please provide:
Visa ☐ Mastercard ☐ Discover ☐ AmEx
Card No: ____________________________
Exp.Date: ____________________________
Signature ____________________________

OR Call 540-837-1758 Ext. 224
to register with a credit card.
Call for Membership Information!

Summer Nature Camps 2012

Blandy’s summer nature camps are a great way for kids to spend time outside exploring Blandy’s 700 acres of woodlands, meadows, and wetlands.

July 9-13  Animals without Skeletons
For rising 1st-4th Graders
July 16-20  Living in Nature
For rising 1st-4th Graders
July 23-27  EcoExplorers
For rising 5th-8th Graders

All camps meet M-F, 9 a.m. to Noon
Information at 540-837-1758 Ext. 224
www.blandy.virginia.edu

Workshops  Programs  Hikes

Foundation of the State Arboretum
State Arboretum of Virginia
At the University of Virginia’s Historic
BLANDY EXPERIMENTAL FARM

Dig in and Volunteer

The Arboretum provides unique opportunities for education, recreation, and reflection. Volunteer here offers a way to meet new people, use your talents, learn new skills, and more.

Volunteers help maintain gardens, lead tours, serve on committees, mind the gift shop, and more. Without our volunteers, much of what we do would not be possible.

Interested? Contact our Volunteer Coordinator at fosaevents@virginia.edu or 540-837-1758 Ext. 246,