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YOUR GIFT SUPPORTS:

Nature Center
programming &
summer camps



Native plant
gardens at HBS



Community outreach
& education



Research in the
southern Appalachians

WAYS TO GIVE:

There are a variety of ways through which you can support our mission. To make a contribution today, visit highlandsbiological.org/foundation/

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2025 PROGRAM SCHEDULE



Highlands Biological Foundation
P.O. Box 580
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DAILY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Beginning June 2 | FREE | No registration necessary
Highlands Nature Center (930 Horse Cove Road)

Mondays at 2:30 p.m. **Animal Encounter**
Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. **Storytime**
Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. **Garden Tour**
Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. **Scientist Skills**
Fridays at 2:30 p.m. **Animal Encounter**
Saturdays All Day **Make n' Take Saturdays**

WITH MS.KK ON
THESE DATES:

June 3
June 10
June 24
July 1
July 8
July 15
July 29

NATURE CENTER NIGHTS!

SALAMANDER MEANDER

8:00 - 9:00 p.m.

May 27 (members only)
June 10 (public)
July 15 (public)
July 29 (public)
August 12 (public)

GLOWING WONDERS

8:30 - 9:30 p.m.

June 24

Exploring with UV
lights + looking for
Bioluminescence!

OWLS: MASTERS OF THE NIGHT

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

June 3

with Carlton Burke
of Carolina Mountain
Naturalists

AMAZING MOTHS

8:30 - 9:30 p.m.

July 1

Meet some moths in
preparation for NC Moth
Week (July 19-27)!

Registration required.
Register at
highlandsbiological.org



FAMILY-FRIENDLY!

Tuesdays
June 3 - Aug. 12
FREE

WHAT BAT IS THAT?

times vary based on sunset

June 17
July 22
August 5

HUNTERS IN THE SKY

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

July 8

with Carlton Burke
of Carolina Mountain
Naturalists

SAVE THE DATES



June 18th
5:30 p.m.

PATRON PARTY

July 28th
6:00 p.m.

TWILIGHT IN THE GARDEN SOIRÉE

Oct. 5th
4:00 p.m.

HIGHLANDS ON THE HALF-SHELL

Oct. 28th
5:30 p.m.

ENCHANTED FOREST

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to learn more about these & other
upcoming programs, to sign up for
our bi-weekly e-news & more!



Highlands Nature Center is part of the Highlands Biological Station,
a multi-campus center of Western Carolina University.

ZAHNER CONSERVATION LECTURES

Thursday evenings at 6:00 p.m. at the Highlands Nature Center.
All lectures are free & open to the public.

- June 12** **Healthy Land, Healthy People: Centering Indigenous Voices in Conservation**
Bonnie Claxton (Chickasaw) Deputy Director, The Center for Native Health
- June 19** **Are You Bearwise? - Expert recommendations on coexisting with black bears**
Tanya Poole, Conservation Initiatives Engagement Coordinator
- June 26** **Bats in Your Backyard**
Rada Petric, Assistant Research Professor and Director of the UNC IE Highlands Field Site, UNC Institute for the Environment
- July 10** **Cohabitate; Living with Nature**
Sonya Carpenter, Co-founder and President of Cohabitate Inc.
- July 17** **Lesser Known Medicinal Mushrooms of the Southern Appalachians**
Christopher Parker, Mycologist and Co-Owner The Forest Farmacy
- July 24** **Understanding Helene as a Geologic Event in Southern Appalachia...and What is a "Geologic Event" Anyway?**
Philip S. Prince, Ph.D., Project Geologist, Appalachian Landslide Consultants, PLLC, Virginia Tech Department of Geosciences
- July 31** **The Good, the Bad & the BUGly**
Dr. Kelly Oten, Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist, NC State University
- Aug. 7** **Finding the Fabulous Ordinary - A guidebook to seasonal joys of ecosystems in the Southeast**
Georgann Eubanks, author, University of North Carolina Press
- Aug. 14** **Southern Appalachian Forest Resilience in a Post Hurricane World**
Megan Sutton, The Nature Conservancy, Southern Blue Ridge Program Director