



NORTH INLET - WINYAH BAY NATIONAL ESTUARINE RESEARCH RESERVE



Schedule of Events: Winter-Spring 2017

Please call (843) 904-9016 or (843) 904-9017 to REGISTER!

Life in a Reef

Learn about oyster reefs and why they are so important to our estuaries. Visit a North Inlet salt marsh at low tide for a first hand look at these amazingly productive ecosystems, then spend time indoors exploring the diversity of reef inhabitants up close and personal. **Cost: FREE; limited to 14 participants; please call to register.**

January 13 (Friday), 1:00-4:00 pm

Shell Midden Walk

Join us for a short hike on our salt marsh trail to one of our unique Native American shell middens. These shell middens are a special feature to our southeastern coasts. Salt marsh biology and ecology, as well as the significance of the middens will be covered by Reserve staff. Please bring shoes that can get a little muddy.

Cost: FREE; weather permitting; limited to 14 participants; please call to register.

January 27 (Friday), 1:00- 3:00 pm

Feeding Frenzy

Feeding time at the Hobcaw Barony Discovery Center is the most exciting time of day- for our animals at least! Help Reserve staff feed all of our hungry exhibit critters, including our North Inlet fishes, crabs, turtles, snakes, and even our alligator! During the feeding, learn about the animals' biology and their natural habitats.

Cost: FREE; limited to 15 participants; please call to register.

February 20 (Monday), 1:00-2:00 pm

Life in a Wetland

Celebrate **World Wetlands Day** by getting up close and personal with these important freshwater habitats. Explore and learn about all of the wildlife that live in a wetland- from birds of prey, alligators, and plants all the way down to the microscopic invertebrates in the water. **Cost: FREE; limited to 20 participants; please call to register.**

March 2 (Thursday), 1:00- 3:30 pm

King Tide Marsh Stroll

Stroll along our salt marsh boardwalk during one of the highest tides of the year to observe unique high tide wonders and learn about these productive coastal resources and what Baruch scientists have discovered about the plants and animals that call them home. Bring binoculars and cameras if desired.

Cost: FREE; weather permitting; limited to 14 participants; please call to register.

March 29 (Wednesday), 9:30- 11:30 am

Bike to the Boardwalk

Bike through Hobcaw's forest to the Reserve's beautiful salt marsh boardwalk on North Inlet estuary. Bike 5 miles (roundtrip) on gravel roads through Hobcaw Barony's pristine property. Upland forest habitats, wildlife, research and salt marsh ecology will be discussed during the trip. Bring your own bike (all terrain tires recommended), helmet, water, snack, camera/binoculars (if desired).

Cost: Free; weather permitting, limited to 15 participants; please call to register.

April 22 (Saturday), 10:00 am-Noon

*For a full description of each program please visit our online events calendar:

www.northinlet.sc.edu/discovery/calendar.html

