Museum Hours:
Tuesday—Saturday
10 a.m.—4 p.m.
Summer Extended Hours:
June 30 to August 12
Sundays and Mondays
10 a.m.—2 p.m.
July 4: 9 a.m.—1 p.m.
Please pre-register for classes when it is mentioned in the program description. All registration classes are subject to cancellation due to low registration.
For information and registration visit our online reservation service at cablemuseum.org!
Scholarships are available for some programs! Just ask Deb!

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Talon Talk Live Raptor Programs: Tuesdays 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Meet the Museum’s live education raptors in person! Learn all about the amazing world of birds of prey. June 18 through August 27. Please come early to find a seat. Donations welcome.

Snake Feeding: Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.
Meet Emory and Digger—the Museum’s live snakes—and watch them eat a mouse. Donations welcome.

Hatha Yoga at the Museum: Mondays, 8:30-10:00 a.m.
Join Joan Shumway for an exploration of yoga asana, whether you are new to yoga or have been practicing for many lifetimes. All ages and stages welcome! Please bring your own mat.
June 17-August 5. Registration required. Cost is $80 member/$100 non-member for the eight week series or $12 member/$15 non-member per class.

The Art of Natural Play: Fridays and Saturdays 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Drop in at the Wasey Wanderings Natural Play Area to explore the trails, play in our treehouse, build a fairy house, and join local artist Donna Post to create make-and-take nature crafts. All ages welcome! Come find us at 43135 Randyseck Road in Cable, on Fridays and Saturdays from June 28 through August 10, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Donations welcome.

May
Saturday, May 25
NEW Curiosity Center!
GRAND OPENING
Stop by the Museum to discover the Northwoods in our brand-new, professionally built kids’ exhibit! Local radio station WRLS will be doing a live remote from 9:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Naming ceremony and inaugural launch for our flying squirrel at 10:30 a.m.! You can also explore our new main exhibit, “Pollinator Power” to learn about the amazing creatures that pollinate our Northwoods flowers. Free admission all day. 10% discount on all new memberships.

June
Saturday, June 1
Natural Connections 2: Nature Better than Fiction
Do you also love finding adventure and intrigue in strange places? Join naturalist and author Emily Stone to be transported across the moat into a magical world where nature is better than fiction. By using science to tell stories, Emily weaves a magic that makes the whole world feel more alive.
7:00 p.m. Pattison State Park. Donations welcome.

Saturday, June 8
Dandelion Days
Celebrating community and bringing awareness to our relationship with the natural world through education, ecology, art, music, and fun. This zero waste event is held in Wibidal Park in Washburn. Naturalist Emily Stone will be leading a workshop on Finding the Stories in Nature at 10:00 a.m. Find out more at www.washburndandeliondays.com.

Programs by Request!
If you see one of our programs that looks like fun, but the timing doesn’t work out, give us a call! We can try to find a time that works for your family and friends.
You can also check out our wildlife outreach programs on our website, under the Programs & Events tab.
To find out more about scheduling and pricing, email emily@cablemuseum.org or call Emily at 715-798-3890.

Connecting you to the Northwoods!
Wednesday, June 12
Northwoods Field Basket Class
Join instructor Jean Caryl to craft this basket that will remind you of your home in the Northwoods. You will use birch bark, colorful dyed reed and beautiful ceramic handles to weave this simple basket. You will twine a 10" diameter base and then use start/stop weaving to make it 9" high. 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at the Museum. Space is limited. Registration required by May 25. $48 member/$53 non-member.

Saturday, June 15
Nature Fest at the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center
Join us for fun and learning at the Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center in Ashland, from 10:00 a.m. to noon! Wisconsin Master Naturalist Volunteers will be eager to share their new nature knowledge. Hands-on activities! Fun for the whole family!

June 16-22 is National Pollinator Week!
www.pollinator.org

Tuesday, June 18
Talon Talk Live Raptor Program
Meet the Museum’s live education raptors in person! Learn all about the amazing world of birds of prey from Naturalist Haley Appleman. 1:30-2:30 p.m. Please come early to find a seat. Donations welcome.

Tuesday, June 18
The Guardians Movie Night at the Sawmill Saloon
A visually dazzling meditation on the delicate balance between human and nature, The Guardians elegantly interweaves the lives of the iconic monarch butterfly with an indigenous community in Mexico. This intimate documentary takes viewers on a cinematic journey through the butterfly-dense mountaintops of Michoacan as the community works to build a sustainable path forward. 7:00 p.m. at the Sawmill Saloon in Seeley, WI. $10 at the door. Thanks to Northern Native Plantscapes for sponsoring this event!

Thursday, June 20
Birds, Butterflies, and Bees: Planting for Pollinators
Pollinators of all types are in desperate need of good habitat, and your backyard could be part of the solution! Join Sarah Boles, a local native landscape specialist and designer of the Museum’s native flower gardens, to learn all about our local pollinators and the plant communities that attract them. She’ll share actionable information about tending your gardens to provide pollinators with food and shelter. Stick around to apply your new knowledge at the pollinator garden workday at 1:00 p.m., and your registration fee will be refunded! Meet from 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. at the Museum. $10 members/$15 non-members. RSVP by calling 715-798-3890.

Thursday, June 20
Pollinator Garden Workday
Give us a hand in preparing our pollinator gardens for a busy summer. Local expert Sarah Boles of Northern Native Plantscapes will be teaching the tasks and providing information about pollinators and their favorite flowers. 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Museum. Wear your grubbies and bring work gloves. RSVP by calling 715-798-3890.

Tuesday, June 25
Talon Talk Live Raptor Program
Meet the Museum’s live education raptors in person! Learn all about the amazing world of birds of prey from Naturalist Haley Appleman. 1:30-2:30 p.m. Please come early to find a seat. Donations welcome.

Friday, June 28
The Art of Natural Play: Opening Day!
Drop in at the Wayside Wanderings Natural Play Area to explore the trails, play in our treehouse, build a fairy house, and join local artist Donna Post to create make-and-take nature crafts. All ages welcome! Come find us at 43135 Randysk Road in Cable, on Fridays and Saturdays from June 22 through August 11, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Donations welcome.

July

Wednesday, July 3
Forest Lodge Tour
Explore the historic Forest Lodge Estate with a Northland College tour guide. Hear stories of its cultural and natural history and learn about the exciting developments for this educational campus. Participants will be on their feet for two hours, walking less than a mile over uneven terrain, rain or shine. Meet the Northland College guide at the Forest Lodge Nature Trail parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Registration required. $10 per person.

Thursday, July 4
Come watch the Junior Naturalists in the parade at 11:00 a.m. The Museum will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Friday, July 5
Natural Connections 2 Book Reading, Signing, and Artist Award Ceremony
Help celebrate Museum Naturalist Emily Stone’s new book and the kids who helped illustrate it! Reception begins at 10:00 a.m. with punch and cookies. At 10:30, Emily will do a reading from her book and present awards. Then she’ll be available to sign books until 12:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 6
Two Knots Every Camper Should Know
Join Master Naturalist Volunteer John Radloff and his grandson to learn some handy knots! With names like bowline and taut line hitch, you know these knots are good! These knots can save the day when a problem arises. 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the Cable Natural History Museum outdoor classroom. Suggested donation $10 per family.
Tuesday, July 9
Talon Talk Live Raptor Program
Meet the Museum’s live education raptors in person! Learn all about the amazing world of birds of prey from Naturalist Haley Appleman. 1:30-2:30 p.m. Please come early to find a seat. Donations welcome.

Wednesday, July 10
Forest Lodge Tour
Explore the historic Forest Lodge Estate with a Northland College tour guide. Hear stories of its cultural and natural history and learn about the exciting developments for this educational campus. Participants will be on their feet for two hours, walking less than a mile on uneven terrain, rain or shine. Meet the Northland College guide at the Forest Lodge Nature Trail parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Registration required. $10 per person.

Wednesday, July 10
Dinner with a Wildlife Educator
Chris Cold is a Wildlife Technician for the Wisconsin DNR and serves as a non-formal wildlife educator throughout Wisconsin, often handling raptors and reptiles during programs. Join Chris for dinner and conversation at the Rivers Eatery from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Then see his lecture at the Museum.

Wednesday, July 10
Joseph Jenkins Lecture Series: Extinction
Extinction can be a scary topic, but Wildlife Technician and Educator Chris Cold will provide us with a positive prospectus for the future. What are the known and theoretical causes of extinction on a local, regional, and global basis? Dive into species extinction, with topics including co-evolutionary relationships and landscape management implications. We will all gain a better understanding of how imperiled animals can be successfully salvaged. 7:00 p.m. at the Museum. Sponsored by Henry and Jodi Kingdon. Donations welcome.

Thursday, July 11
Loon Pontoon Tour on Diamond Lake
Learn amazing facts about these ancient birds and the beautiful lakes where they live while touring on a pontoon boat. A Museum Naturalist will share stories about the facts and fantasies behind this Northwoods icon. Meet at the Museum at 9:00 a.m. and return by noon. Space is limited. Registration required. $38 member/$43 non-member.

Friday, July 12
Water Warrior Canoe Expedition
After studying the Namekagon River through the lens of science, take a look through the lens of adventure! Kids entering grades 5-7 can paddle down a wild stretch of the river to discover the secrets of its water quality. Students will meet at the County Hwy M canoe landing at 10:00 a.m. and get picked up at Phillipi Landing in Cable at 2:00 p.m. Dress for the weather, wear a hat, and shoes that can get wet, and bring a bag lunch and a water bottle. Prior participation in the Water Warriors Day Camp is recommended but not required. Registration required by July 9. $25 member/$30 non-member.

Saturday, July 13
Kid’s Morning Yoga
Warm up for the day by moving through stories and games in the Museum’s back yard. Bring a mat, blanket, or towel if you have one. Ages 5 and up. Younger yogis welcome with an adult helper. 9:30-10:00 a.m. Donations welcome.

Thursday, July 11
Redbery Reads Summer Storytime begins!
Check page 11 for descriptions of all the programs!

Thursday, July 11
Tea Talk at the Forest Lodge Boathouse
Natural Connections 2: Nature Better than Fiction
Do you also love finding adventure and intrigue in strange places? Join naturalist and author Emily Stone to venture across the moat into a magical world where nature is better than fiction. By using science to tell stories, Emily weaves a magic that makes the whole world feel more alive. 2:00-3:30 p.m. at the Forest Lodge Estate. Register and find out more at www.northland.edu. $10 online/$15 at the door.

Thursday, July 11
Water Warrior Day Camp
Get your feet wet...for science! Kids entering grades 5-7 will test the Namekagon River’s water quality by collecting and identifying aquatic insects and using chemistry to analyze water samples. Meet at the Cable Natural History Museum at 10:00 a.m. and return by 2:00 p.m. Be prepared for walking, getting wet, and bring a bag lunch. Registration required by July 9. $20 member/$25 non-member.

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Saturday, July 13
Cable Nature Tour 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
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Rivers Alive! | Namakagon River Phillipi Bridge Landing
Get your feet wet and discover what critters live in the river. While you’re there, relax with a calming view of water rushing toward the Gulf of Mexico through this National Scenic Riverrway.

Trail Blazing | Cable Town Trails Trailhead
Follow flags on a short hike to reveal a secret phrase. While you’re there, explore the mountain bike trails or hike to the Cable Community Farm.

Insect Collecting | Cable Community Farm
Pick up a sweep net and catch insects in the gardens, fields, and forests of the Farm. While you’re there, say hello to the chickens and see what’s growing in the Growing Together Garden.
Saturday, July 13
The Call of the Loon
Common loons are anything but ordinary. Diving deep, flying fast, and fighting hard, these Northwoods icons are ready to capture your imagination with their precisely tuned adaptations to life on our lakes. Join naturalist and author Emily Stone to learn about these fascinating creatures through hands-on specimens and plenty of time for questions. Then try your hand at decoding their eerie calls. 7:00 p.m. Amnicon Falls State Park. Donations welcome.

Owls and Chicks Week
July 14-20, 2019
Join us for a week of programs where the young—and the young at heart—can follow their curiosity together. Chicks and Owls will partner to learn, play, and grow. Grandparents, parents or any grown-up friend may accompany chicks to these special events. It will be a hoot!

Tuesday, July 16
Junior Naturalists: Nocturnal Nature
Who’s awake? Me too! Meet live bats with the US Forest Service. 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Museum. $6 member/$7 non-member. Adults are welcome to join us for Owls and Chicks Week!

Tuesday, July 16
Talon Talk Live Raptor Program
Meet the Museum’s live education raptors in person! Learn all about the amazing world of birds of prey from Naturalist Haley Appleman. 1:30-2:30 p.m. Please come early to find a seat. Donations welcome.

Wednesday, July 17
Forest Lodge Tour
Explore the historic Forest Lodge Estate with a Northland College tour guide. Hear stories of its cultural and natural history and learn about the exciting developments for this educational campus. Participants will be on their feet for two hours, walking less than a mile over uneven terrain, rain or shine. Meet the Northland College guide at the Forest Lodge Nature Trail parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Registration required. $10 per person.

Wednesday, July 17
Junior Naturalists: Pollinator Power!
Explore the Museum’s pollinator gardens and see who’s visiting the flowers. 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Museum. $6 member/$7 non-member. Adults are welcome to join us for Owls and Chicks Week!

Wednesday, July 17
Dinner with a Naturalist
LCO Ojibwa College professor Mike Heim is an expert in local natural history, especially our area’s flora and geology. Join Mike for dinner and conversation at the Rivers Eatery from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Then see his lecture at the Museum.

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Wednesday, July 17
Joseph Jenkins Lecture Series: Geological History of Northwestern Wisconsin
We are fortunate that northern Wisconsin is one of the most geologically stable regions in the United States—far from any volcanoes or earthquake epicenters. However, this was not always the case. In the distant past incredible convulsions rocked the Earth’s crust, creating such features as the Penokee Range and Lake Superior that we all know and love. Professor Mike Heim will take us on a tour through billions of years of Wisconsin history; from continents colliding to continents being torn asunder, from sandy ocean beaches to mile-high ice sheets. 7:00 p.m. at the Museum. Sponsored by Henry and Jodi Kingdon. Donations welcome.

Thursday, July 18
Loon Pontoon Tour on Lake Namakagon
Learn amazing facts about these ancient birds and the beautiful lakes where they live while touring on a pontoon boat. A Museum Naturalist will share stories about the facts and fantasies behind this Northwoods icon. Meet at the Museum at 9:00 a.m. and return by noon. Space is limited. Registration required. $38 member/$43 non-member.

Thursday, July 18
Redbery Storytime: Celebrate Owls and Chicks
Redbery Reads is a story time that helps kids connect to the world around them. 10:30 a.m. at the Museum. Adults are welcome to join us for Owls and Chicks Week!

Thursday, July 18
Plant Pressing 101
(Master Naturalist Advanced Training)
The Museum’s herbarium collection consists of over 1,000 pressed plants and other flora. How does a herbarium start? Begin at the Museum’s native plant gardens and start the first steps of preparing a herbarium specimen. Curator Mollie Kreb will provide instruction on proper collecting activity, label preparation, and pressing techniques. At the end of the day we will have our plants pressed and ready to dry for the next steps of the process (to follow next week). All materials provided. You don’t have to be a certified Master Naturalist to participate! Any adult learners are welcome. Meet from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the Museum. Register by July 13. $40 member/$45 non-member.

Friday, July 19
Meet a Beekeeper
Drop by the Museum to meet the Cable Community Farm’s beekeepers. They’ll share their passion for honey bees and demonstrate beekeeping equipment. They might even bring a frame of live bees! 10:00 a.m.-noon. Donations welcome.

Friday, July 19
Natural Connections on the Namekagon
The St. Croix River Association is partnering with the Cable Natural History Museum for this paddle to feature Museum naturalist and author, Emily Stone. During the paddle, Emily will provide interpretation of the Namekagon’s natural history and read excerpts from her new book, Natural Connections: Dreaming of an Elfin Skimmer. 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. For more information and to register, visit www.stcroixriverassociation.org/events/
Friday, July 19
Family Owl Prowl
Adults and chicks can all join a naturalist on an evening hike to learn about the natural history of Wisconsin’s owls and try calling in barred owls. Meet at 7:00 p.m. at the Museum’s Wayside Wanderings Natural Play Area at 43135 Randysek Road in Cable, to learn more about nature’s best mouse trap and maybe see or hear one up close! Donations welcome.

Saturday, July 20
Metamorphosis of our Garden Tour
Our new format includes just two beautiful gardens on which to feast your eyes, but adds the opportunity to learn a new gardening skill or craft on-site from the talented garden owners. Watch our website and calendar for more information and updates!

Saturday, July 20
Family Morning Yoga
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Saturday, July 20
Our Living Ancestors: The History and Ecology of Old-growth Forests in Wisconsin and Where to Find Them
Old-growth trees dominated Wisconsin’s forests prior to European settlement. Ecologists estimate that between two-thirds and three-fourths of Wisconsin’s forests lived into their old age. What we see 150 years later is a far cry from what our forests once looked like, but some remnants still flourish. How and why did this happen, what are the values of current old-growth, and what could be a future vision for old-growth forests in this area? Author and naturalist John Bates will answer these questions for us and copies of his new book will be available for purchase. 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Museum. Thanks to Redbery Books for their support! Donations welcome.

Saturday, July 20
Exploring Old-growth Forests: A Hike at Forest Lodge
Join author and naturalist John Bates for an intimate hike at the Forest Lodge property. Forest Lodge retains a relatively undisturbed old-growth hemlock-hardwood forest situated along Lake Namekagon shoreline. Hemlock regeneration is exceptional in places—at times one can walk through tunnels of overhanging young hemlock branches. We’ll walk slowly, stop and talk frequently, and thoroughly enjoy the remarkable beauty of this remnant of northern Wisconsin’s lost landscape. Meet outside the Gatehouse of the Forest Lodge estate at 1:30 p.m. and return by 4:00. Space is limited. Register by July 19. $47 member/$52 non-member.

Tuesday, July 23
Foraging Feast
Join Naturalist Mollie Kreb for a fun-filled morning of gathering local wild edibles that are as nutritious as delicious! After practicing some sustainable foraging methods, we will prepare a light feast with our found ingredients. Seasonal ingredients including wild herbs, greens, berries, or mushrooms will be gathered. Register by July 19. Meet at the Museum. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. $30 member/$35 non-member.

Tuesday, July 23
Talon Talk Live Raptor Program
Meet the Museum’s live education raptors in person! Learn all about the amazing world of birds of prey from Naturalist Haley Appleman. 1:30-2:30 p.m. Please come early to find a seat. Donations welcome.

Wednesday, July 24
Electro-Shocking Science
Master Naturalist Advanced Training
Master Naturalist Advanced Training
Just how do scientists study fish in our area lakes and rivers? Max Wolter, Fisheries Biologist from the Wisconsin DNR, will teach us about a research method called electro-shocking used to survey fish populations. Practice your fish ID, too. To compare stream types, we’ll begin by surveying on the Namekagon River and move to Big Brook after lunch. Bring lunch, water sunscreen, polarized glasses, and non-breathable chest waders that do not leak. You don’t have to be a certified Master Naturalist to participate! Any adult learners are welcome. Meet at the Leonard School bridge at 9:00 a.m. and finish by 3:00 p.m. Register by July 17. Suggested donation $35 per person.
Wednesday, July 24
Dinner with a Farmer
Farmer Clare has a doctorate in Sustainability Education and is the owner of Elsewhere Farm in Herbst, Wisconsin. Join Clare for dinner and conversation at the Rivers Eatery from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Then see her lecture at the Museum.

Wednesday, July 24
Joseph Jenkins Lecture Series:
Perennial Agriculture in the Northwoods
Learn how perennial agriculture is helping Elsewhere Farm’s resilience as the climate gets more chaotic, and how perennials fit together with market gardens and livestock, like laying hens and pigs, on the South Shore. Owner and proprietor Clare Hintz will share current research at Elsewhere Farm which explores the ecological benefits of perennial production, including benefits for pollinators. There’s a berry for every part of our growing season; learn about less common tree and shrub fruits that you can add to your own northern gardens, and taste some products made from these fruits! 7:00 p.m. at the Museum. Sponsored by Henry and Jodi Kingdon. Donations welcome.

Thursday, July 25
Loon Pontoon Tour on Lake Owen
Learn amazing facts about these ancient birds and the beautiful lakes where they live while touring on a pontoon boat. A Museum Naturalist will share stories about the facts and fantasies behind this Northwoods icon. Meet at the Museum at 9:00 a.m. and return by noon. Space is limited. Registration required. $38 member/$43 non-member.

Thursday, July 25
Plant Pressing 101 Revisited
(Master Naturalist Advanced Training)
Last week we collected and pressed plants, now it’s time to finish our herbarium specimens! Revisit the plants you prepared last week or join in using plants pressed by the instructor. Curator Mollie Kreb will guide participants as we learn to mount and label plants with methods used to make real museum specimens. Or, use your pressed plants to create an artistic arrangement on mounting paper. Take home your finished project to show off your new skills. All materials provided. You don’t have to be a certified Master Naturalist to participate! Any adult learners are welcome. Meet from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the Museum. Register by July 20. $40 member/$45 non-member.

Saturday, July 27
Fire Starting & S’more Making
(Family Naturalist Program)
Join Master Naturalist Volunteer John Radloff and his grandson to start a good campfire. You’ll round up the proper tinder, kindling, and fuel; test out a few methods to get a spark; and then roast marshmallows over your creation. No lighter fluid necessary, even in the rain! 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Wayside Wandering Natural Play Area at 43135 Randyseck Road in Cable. Suggested donation $10 per family.

Saturday, July 27
Cable Natural History Museum Summer Benefit
This year’s event, The Sky’s The Limit Summer Benefit, will be held at the Cable Union Airport! Enjoy the runway view and get up close to some planes. Small silent auction, food & drink begin at 5:00 p.m. Dancing will follow dinner with entertainment by Sean & Ian Okamoto. Registration required. Tickets can be purchased at www.cablemuseum.org or by calling the Museum.

Tuesday, July 30
Treasures of the Secret Bog
(Master Naturalist Advanced Training)
Cross the moat to discover carnivorous plants, devil’s orchids, shimmering dragonflies, buried treasure, ripening jewels, and a floating floor. It’s all science! Museum Naturalist Emily Stone will guide an investigation into the botany, chemistry, ecology, and mysterious depths of a special local wetland. Good balance is essential. Wear either tall mud boots or sturdy shoes that can get wet. Bring water, put on sunscreen and a hat, and wear clothes that protect you from the bugs. Meet at the Museum by 12:30 p.m. and return by 3:30 p.m. You don’t have to be a certified Master Naturalist to participate! Any adult learners are welcome. Register by July 25. $15 member/$20 non-member.

Tuesday, July 30
Talon Talk Live Raptor Program
Meet the Museum’s live education raptors in person! Learn all about the amazing world of birds of prey from Naturalist Haley Appleman. 1:30-2:30 p.m. Please come early to find a seat. Donations welcome.

Wednesday, July 31
Forest Lodge Tour
Explore the historic Forest Lodge Estate with a Northland College tour guide. Hear stories of its cultural and natural history and learn about the exciting developments for this educational campus. Participants will be on their feet for two hours, walking less than a mile over uneven terrain, rain or shine. Meet the Northland College guide at the Forest Lodge Nature Trail parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Registration required. $10 per person.

Wednesday, July 31
Geo of the Northwoods Flood
(Master Naturalist Advanced Training)
What happens to the flow of water across North America when a mile-high ice sheet sits in the lake Superior basin? Deglaciation across the Northwoods led to dramatic changes in the routing of continental drainage basins, with unique signatures surrounding the Brule Spillway. Geology Professor from Northland College, Dave Ullman, will help us discover the impressive marks that Glacial Lake Duluth and the Brule Spillway left on our local landscape. Meet at the Museum at 9:30 a.m. and return by 4:00 p.m. Bring lunch and water. Dress for the weather. Wear sturdy footwear. Be prepared to carpool to our field sites. You don’t have to be a certified Master Naturalist to participate! Any adult learners are welcome. Register by July 25. $35 member/$40 non-member.
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Wednesday, July 31
Dinner with a Bear Biologist
Greg Kessler is a Wildlife Biologist with the Wisconsin DNR and regularly works to educate the public on black bears. Join Greg for dinner and conversation at the Rivers Eatery from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Then see his lecture at the Museum.

Wednesday, July 31
Joseph Jenkins Lecture Series: Bear in Mind
What do you really know about one of the Northwoods’ most well-known residents—black bears? Join Wildlife Biologist Greg Kessler to learn about black bear ecology in our area of Wisconsin. Whether you think they’re cute, scary, or a nuisance, you’ll come away with a better understanding of our only bear species. Greg will also discuss potential conflicts with bears and how to minimize them. 7:00 p.m. at the Museum. Sponsored by Henry and Jodi Kingdon. Donations welcome.

August

Thursday, August 1
Trail Maintenance Workday
The Forest Service is hosting a volunteer workday to do brushing and other light maintenance on the Forest Lodge Nature Trail and the Rock Lake trails. Tools and instruction provided. Wear durable clothes for working in the field. Dress for the weather. Bring water and a lunch. Bring safety glasses and gloves if you have them. Meet at the Forest Lodge Nature Trailhead at 9:00 a.m. More information and to RSVP, call or email Katie LeMoine at 715-634-4821 x2326 or katherine.lemoine@usda.gov.

Thursday, August 1
Animal Care Day Camp
Do you have what it takes to care for the Museum’s live animals? Kids entering grades 5-7 will go behind-the-scenes and help prepare food for raptores, feed a snake, and build toys to keep them busy. Meet at the Museum from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Bring a bag lunch. Registration required by July 29. Space is limited. $20 member/$25 non-member.

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Friday, August 2
Explorers Club at the Hayward Library
Explore the wetlands and forests behind the Hayward Library with a Museum Naturalist. Get wet and muddy as you search for frogs and water bugs, learn about wetlands, and have lots of fun! For kids entering grades 3-6. Wear clothes and shoes that can get wet. 10:30-11:30 a.m. Free!

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Friday, August 2
Family Explorer’s Club
Families are invited to explore the Cable Woods with Grandma Vivianne and her intrepid explorer. This adventurous pair will have all the tools necessary to look for birds, plants, bugs, and treasures of all kinds. Meet from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Cable Community Centre. Registration required by August 1. $10/family.

Friday, August 2
Wolf Howl with a Naturalist
Ready for a howling good time? Learn how wolves communicate—then travel to a nearby forest and howl to a local wolf pack. Don’t be surprised if you hear them howl back! Adrian Wydven, former wolf biologist at the Department of Natural Resources and chair of the Timber Wolf Alliance, and Sarah Boles, wildlife technician with WIDNR on the wolf program, will be your guides. Meet at the Museum at 8:00 p.m. and return by 10:30 p.m. Space is limited. Register by July 29. $7 member/$12 non-member.

Saturday, August 3
Kid’s Morning Yoga
Warm up for the day by moving through stories and games in the Museum’s back yard. Bring a mat, blanket, or towel if you have one. Ages 5 and up. Younger yogis welcome with an adult helper. 9:30-10:00 a.m. Donations welcome.

Saturday, August 3
Cable Nature Tour 10:30 a.m. —12:30 p.m.
Check out the natural spaces within minutes of downtown Cable. You can drop in to one or all four stations and participate in activities to appreciate the nature found right in Cable. Visit three or more stations to earn a free Family Pass to the Museum! (Maps available at the Museum.)

The Art of Natural Play
Wayside Wanderings Natural Play Area
Drop in at the Wayside Wanderings Natural Play Area to join local artist Donna Post to create make-and-take nature crafts. While you’re there, play in the treehouse or build a fort.

Rivers Alive! | Namakagon River Phillipi Bridge Landing
Get your feet wet and discover what critters live in the river. While you’re there, relax with a calming view of water rushing toward the Gulf of Mexico through this National Scenic Riverway.

Trail Blazing | Cable Town Trails Trailhead
Follow flags on a short hike to reveal a secret phrase. While you’re there, explore the mountain bike trails or hike to the Cable Community Farm.

Insect Collecting | Cable Community Farm
Pick up a sweep net and catch insects in the gardens, fields, and forests of the Farm. While you’re there, say hello to the chickens and see what’s growing in the Growing Together Garden.
Tuesday, August 6
Talon Talk Live Raptor Program
Meet the Museum’s live education raptors in person! Learn all about the amazing world of birds of prey from Naturalist Haley Applemann. 1:30-2:30 p.m. Please come early to find a seat. Donations welcome.

Wednesday, August 7
Forest Lodge Tour
Explore the historic Forest Lodge Estate with a Northland College tour guide. Hear stories of its cultural and natural history and learn about the exciting developments for this educational campus. Participants will be on their feet for two hours, walking less than a mile over uneven terrain, rain or shine. Meet the Northland College guide at the Forest Lodge Nature Trail parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Registration required. $10 per person.

Thursday, August 8
Loon Pontoon Tour on Lake Owen
Learn amazing facts about these ancient birds and the beautiful lakes where they live while touring on a pontoon boat. A Museum Naturalist will share stories about the facts and fantasies behind this Northwoods icon. Meet at the Museum at 9:00 a.m. and return by noon. Space is limited. Registration required. $38 member/$43 non-member.

Friday, August 9
Explorers Club at the Hayward Library
Make a nature-inspired craft to take home! A Museum Naturalist will help you collect flowers and leaves as you explore the gardens and forest behind the Hayward Library. Then, use what you found to create a beautiful nature print using simple materials. Our projects will make great gifts for friends or family! For kids entering grades 3-6. 10:30-11:30 a.m. Free!

Saturday, August 10
Kid’s Morning Yoga
Warm up for the day by moving through stories and games in the Museum’s back yard. Bring a mat, blanket, or towel if you have one. Ages 5 and up. Younger yogis welcome with an adult helper. 9:30-10:00 a.m. Donations welcome.

Tuesday, August 13
Talon Talk Live Raptor Program
Meet the Museum’s live education raptors in person! Learn all about the amazing world of birds of prey from Naturalist Haley Applemann. 1:30-2:30 p.m. Please come early to find a seat. Donations welcome.

Wednesday, August 14
Forest Lodge Tour
Explore the historic Forest Lodge Estate with a Northland College tour guide. Hear stories of its cultural and natural history and learn about the exciting developments for this educational campus. Participants will be on their feet for two hours, walking less than a mile over uneven terrain, rain or shine. Meet the Northland College guide at the Forest Lodge Nature Trail parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Registration required. $10 per person.

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Wednesday, August 14
Counting Dinosaurs: Sturgeon Survey (Master Naturalist Advanced Training)
Sturgeon are the oldest and largest native fish in the Great Lakes region. After basic safety and survey training, Max Wolter, Fisheries Biologist from the Wisconsin DNR, will discuss why sturgeon are returning to the Couderay River. Then we’ll paddle the river in canoes to attempt to make visual observations of sturgeon. If we can capture one, we’ll take measurements for research. Any species of fish we see will become teachable moments. Bring lunch, water, sunscreen, polarized glasses, and your canoe and life jacket. Meet at Couderay Town Park, Hoffer Road in village of Couderay at 9:00 a.m. and finish by 5:00 p.m. You don’t have to be a certified Master Naturalist to participate! Any adult learners are welcome. Space is limited. Register by August 10. Suggested donation $45 per person.

Wednesday, August 14
Little Antler Gem Basket
Join expert instructor Della Pleski to weave this beautiful free-form basket with no rights or wrongs. She will have the antler drilled and spokes placed, ready to weave. Participants will interweave a variety of materials, including but not limited to, dyed and plain seagrass, jute, sisal, natural and dyed reed, corn husk, honeysuckle, or whatever else is around. 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Cable Natural History Museum. Space is limited. Register and get your supply list by August 7. $45 member/$50 non-member.
Thursday, August 15
Loon Pontoon Tour on Lake Owen
Learn amazing facts about these ancient birds and the beautiful lakes where they live while touring on a pontoon boat. A Museum Naturalist will share stories about the facts and fantasies behind this Northwoods icon. Meet at the Museum at 9:00 a.m. and return by noon. Space is limited. Registration required. $38 member/$43 non-member.

Thursday, August 15
Skulls of Wisconsin
(Master Naturalist Advanced Training)
Skulls are an important artifact that can help confirm the presence of a species without actually finding the animal. Dr. Julie Ray, science teacher in the Winter School District, will guide participants in developing the valuable skill of skull identification. The workshop will be held at the Project Northwoods Nature Center, in Winter, WI, using their skull collection that contains almost every mammal species in Wisconsin. Participants will also learn how to clean and prepare skulls for educational use. 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Bring lunch. You don’t have to be a certified Master Naturalist to participate! Any adult learners are welcome.
Register by August 9. $40 member/$45 non-member.

Friday, August 16
Snakes Alive!
(Master Naturalist Advanced Training)
Snakes are an important ecological group with a bad reputation. Although the Northwoods have no venomous species, two rattlesnakes do reside in low numbers in southern Wisconsin. Join Dr. Julie Ray, a snake ecologist, in searching for and collecting data on wild snakes in the Northwoods. Learn skills that aid in identification and handling, how to manage snakes near human-frequented areas, and how to talk to the public about snakes. 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Project Northwoods Nature Center in Winter, WI. Bring lunch and prepare to be outside. You don’t have to be a certified Master Naturalist to participate! Any adult learners are welcome.
Register by August 9. $40 member/$45 non-member.

Friday, August 20
Talon Talk Live Raptor Program
Meet the Museum’s live education raptors in person! Learn all about the amazing world of birds of prey from Naturalist Haley Appleman. 1:30-2:30 p.m. Please come early to find a seat. Donations welcome.

Tuesday, August 20
Northwoods Field Basket Class
Join instructor Jean Caryl to craft this basket that will remind you of your home in the Northwoods. You will use birch bark, colorful dyed reed and beautiful ceramic handles to weave this simple basket. You will twine a 10" diameter base and then use start/stop weaving to make it 9" high. 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at the Museum. Space is limited. Registration required by August 6. $48 member/$53 non-member.

Thursday, August 22
Loon Pontoon Tour on Lake Owen
Learn amazing facts about these ancient birds and the beautiful lakes where they live while touring on a pontoon boat. A Museum Naturalist will share stories about the facts and fantasies behind this Northwoods icon. Meet at the Museum at 9:00 a.m. and return by noon. Space is limited. Registration required. $38 member/$43 non-member.

Friday, August 23
Explorers Club at the Hayward Library
Re-explore the wetlands and forests behind the Hayward Library with a Museum Naturalist. Get wet and muddy as you check on the changes that have happened with all the critters in just a few weeks! For kids entering grades 3-6. Wear clothes and shoes that can get wet. 10:30-11:30 a.m. Free!

Friday, August 23
Fairy Tea Party
Fairies and elves and magic, oh my! You’re invited to a Fairy Tea Party. Fairies will supply the magic wands, wings and crowns. Children will search for forest fairies in the Natural Play Fairy Village and enjoy a magical tea party! Enter the world of fairies at 1:00 PM at the Cable Natural History Museum. $10 per child. Kids 5 and under must be accompanied by an adult (at no extra cost). Register by August 19. Space is limited.

Saturday, August 24
Foraging Feast
Join Naturalist Mollie Krieb for a fun-filled morning of gathering local wild edibles that are as nutritious as delicious! After practicing some sustainable foraging methods, we will prepare a light feast with our found ingredients. Seasonal ingredients including wild herbs, greens, berries, or mushrooms will be gathered. Register by August 20. Meet at the Museum. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. $30 member/$35 non-member.

Tuesday, August 27
Talon Talk Live Raptor Program
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Wednesday, August 28
Forest Lodge Tour
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Thursday, August 29
Loon Pontoon Tour on Lake Owen
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Thursday, August 29
Pastel Painting: Zooming in on Wings with Diana Randolph
Express the intricate patterns of butterfly wings using dry pastels (not oil) on paper. We’ll use magnifying glasses and giant, projected and printed images from a digital microscope to see the fascinating details our native pollinating insects. We’ll paint details and abstractions, celebrating the magical micro-world, and explore the Museum’s new exhibit about pollinators. Meet from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Museum. There is a supply list for this class. You may bring a sack lunch or order lunch from the Brick House Café during class. Registration required by August 15. $38 member/$44 non-member.

Saturday, August 31
Bee Amazed by Native Pollinators
The Northwoods is home to a rainbow of native bees, birds, and other insects. Some are more efficient than honeybees at pollinating most of our favorite fruits and vegetables. Discover how important—and imperiled—these pollinators are and learn about ways you can help them. 7:00 p.m. at Amnicon Falls State Park. Donations welcome.

Visit Our Current Exhibit!
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13470 County Highway M
Cable, WI 54821
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info@cablemuseum.org

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Becoming a Member of the Cable Natural History Museum has never been more beneficial!
The benefits of Museum membership include:
- unlimited free admission
- reduced rates on our nature and education programs
- discounts on items in the Museum Gift Shop

Members play a vital role in supporting exhibits, programs and special events. Annual memberships start at just $30. Visit www.cablemuseum.org for more information, and to become a member today! Thanks to our current members, whose support makes our events possible!

Get Involved — Become a Museum Volunteer!
Volunteers are always needed and appreciated. To volunteer, contact us at info@cablemuseum.org or 715-798-3890.

Museum Admission:
- All current members will be granted free admission to the Museum at all times.
- All other adult visitors to the Museum are charged a $5 admission fee.
- Children (up to the age of 18) always have free admission.
- On Tuesdays, admission is free for all visitors.

The Mission of the Cable Natural History Museum is:
Connecting people to Northwoods nature through educational experiences that inspire wonder, discovery, and responsibility.
Tuesdays and Wednesdays
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Junior Naturalist Programs offer environmental education for children in grades K-6 through games, art, and outdoor exploration.
$6 for members/$8 non-members per program, or $90/$120 for the series of 16 programs.
Scholarships are available, contact Deb at 715-798-3890.

Tuesday, June 18: Slither, Hiss, and Hop
Be a herpetologist for the day and explore creatures that breathe through their skin and swallow their food whole!

Wednesday, June 19: Art in Nature
Use your artistic eye to capture beauty in nature.
(4th of July Parade Float Prep: Noon-1:00 p.m. Bring a lunch.)

Tuesday, June 25: Homey Habitats
Find out what critters need to make a home.
(4th of July Parade Float Prep: Noon-1:00 p.m. Bring a lunch.)

Wednesday, June 26: Squirrels
They chatter, climb, and fly: get to know our local squirrels!
(4th of July Parade Float Prep: Noon-1:00 p.m. Bring a lunch.)

Tuesday, July 2: Insect Investigations
Let’s get buggy! Search for live insects and check out the Museum’s collection of creepy crawlies.
(4th of July Parade Float Prep: Noon-1:00 p.m. Bring a lunch.)

Wednesday, July 3: Wolves of the Chequamegon
Join the pack to learn how to howl, hunt, and communicate like a wolf.
(4th of July Parade Float Prep: Noon-1:00 p.m. Bring a lunch.)

Thursday, July 4
Come watch the Junior Naturalists in the parade! 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, July 9: Color Crazy
Explore colors and patterns in the Northwoods.

Wednesday, July 10: Predator and Prey
Who eats who? Both predators and prey keep the ecosystem in balance.

Tuesday, July 16: Nocturnal Nature
Who’s awake? Me too! Meet live bats with the US Forest Service. Adults are welcome to join us for Owls and Chicks Week!

Wednesday, July 17: Pollinator Power
Explore the Museum’s pollinator gardens and see who’s visiting the flowers. Adults are welcome to join us for Owls and Chicks Week!

Tuesday, July 23: River Rats
Join the Wisconsin DNR’s fish crew to discover who lives in the Namakagon River. Bring water shoes and dress for getting wet. Adults are welcome, too!

Wednesday, July 24: Nature’s Recyclers
Scavengers, composters, and you can all recycle to make the world a better place.

Tuesday, July 30: Naturalists at the Farm
Get dirty and dig into food on the farm! Meet at the Cable Community Farm:
13765 Perry Lake Road, just one mile north of Cable

Wednesday, July 31: Scatology
Study the science of what animals leave behind. Learn how to identify scat and discover what these clues can tell us!

Tuesday, August 6: Nature Photography
Train your eye to capture beautiful photos to remember your adventure in the woods.

Wednesday, August 7: Animal Olympics
Go for gold by running like a deer, leaping like a mountain lion, and flapping like a hummingbird!

Redbery Reads is a story time that helps kids connect to the world around them. There will be stories, hands-on activities, circle games, learning, and lots of fun. All ages are welcome and the activities are geared to preschool through fifth grade. Donations welcome.

Thursday, July 11
The Power of Pollination
Thursday, July 18
Celebrate Owls and Chicks
Thursday, July 26
How Does Your Garden Grow?
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Thursday, August 1
Birds of a Feather
Thursday, August 8
Nighttime in the Northwoods
Follow Your Curiosity to our NEW Curiosity Center!

Grand Opening Saturday, May 25, 2019

Experience our pollinator exhibit, too!