



NORTH INLET - WINYAH BAY

NATIONAL ESTUARINE RESEARCH RESERVE



Schedule of Events: Fall 2017

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

North Inlet Paddle

Join the Reserve and Surf the Earth for a naturalist-guided tour through the creeks of North Inlet. The program includes instruction in basic kayaking, a natural history overview, and educational highlights of the North Inlet ecosystem. Wear sturdy shoes, bring water, snack, and camera/binoculars (if desired). **Cost: \$50/person; weather permitting; limited to 6 participants; please call to register.**

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM:

September 15 (Friday)

Fishes of North Inlet

Learn about fish, crab, and shrimp species common in our tidal creeks of North Inlet and assist with a long-term biological monitoring project. Participants will learn hands-on sampling methods in the salt marsh followed by a processing of the sample catch with the biologists in the seawater laboratory. Bring water, bagged lunch, insect repellent, and wear old sneakers/boots. **Cost: FREE;**

limited to 14 participants; please call to register.

11:00 - 1:30 PM:

September 18 (Monday)

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 fish, crabs, turtles, snakes, and even our alligator! During the feeding, learn about the animals' biology and their natural habitats. **Cost: FREE; please call to register.**

Times for all programs are 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM:

September 20 (Wednesday)

October 18th (Wednesday)

November 13 (Monday)

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.

Times for all programs are 10:00 AM - Noon:

September 23 (Saturday)

October 21 (Saturday)

Plankton of North Inlet

Join Reserve staff and USC Baruch Marine Lab Director, Dr. Dennis Allen, to learn about the interesting microscopic creatures that make up the plankton community in North Inlet. Participants will examine live plankton with microscopes and use identification guides to identify the crustaceans, worms, fish larvae, and other members of the plankton.

Cost: FREE; limited to 20 participants; please call to register.

1:00 PM-3:30 PM:

October 26 (Thursday)

Behind the Lab Coats

Behind the Lab Coats What goes on behind the doors of the NERR Headquarters and Baruch Marine Laboratory? Take a tour of the lab and talk to the scientists about their projects. Learn about research and monitoring programs, plus all of the education, stewardship and training programs offered. **Cost: FREE; limited to 14 participants; please call to register.**

1:00 PM- 3:30 PM:

November 1 (Wednesday)

Barrier Island Program

South Carolina has over 2,900 miles of shoreline, much of which belongs to barrier islands. Many of the islands in SC are facing major challenges today do to erosion and development. Join us for a presentation on the formation and ecology of barrier islands at the Hobcaw Barony Discovery Center. After, we will travel to Debidue Beach to explore a real barrier island and conduct some hands-on field activities! **Cost: \$10/person; Limited to 20 participants; please call to register.**

1:00 PM- 4:30 PM:

November 9 (Thursday)