

All Saturdays in October are **DISCOVERY DAYS**, 12 – 2 p.m., with special wildlife presentations by our zookeepers included with admission!

# Hike through **AUTUMN**

## OCTOBER EVENTS & ACTIVITIES AT HOWELL NATURE CENTER

<b>OCTOBER 1</b> AGES 5+	<b>OCTOBER 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 29, 30</b> AGES 5+	<b>OCTOBER 8</b> AGES 5+	<b>OCTOBER 8</b> AGES 5+
<p><b>FALL FAMILY FRIDAY: CREATURES OF THE NIGHT</b> 6 – 8 p.m., Pineview Lodge</p> <p>Members: \$10 per person Non-members: \$12 per person</p> <p>Meet the creatures that come out at night! Some of our wildlife ambassadors will help teach you all about the adaptations nocturnal animals have for life in the dark during a one-hour presentation, then take a night hike with our wildlife experts through our Wildlife Park to check out what our night owls (and mammals) are up to! You'll also hit some of our wooded trails to look for other nocturnal creatures.</p>	<p><b>GLOW ZIP</b> 7 – 9 p.m., Welcome Center</p> <p>Members: \$20 per person Non-members: \$25 per person</p> <p>Soar through the night sky on our thrilling zip line! Stretching 500ft across and 20ft high off the ground, our zip line passes over a glacially formed pond. Glow sticks, neon face paint and a festive treat are included. This special event only occurs in October, so don't miss out! Weight requirements are 50 to 250 pounds. Closed-toed shoes are a must.</p>	<p><b>FALL FAMILY FRIDAY: TREASURE HUNT</b> 5 – 7 p.m., Welcome Center</p> <p>Members: \$10 per person Non-members: \$12 per person</p> <p>Families will love spending valuable time together in nature while treasure hunting! Like geocaching, families will search for hidden treasures guided by GPS devices or paper maps. Howell Nature Center Treasure Hunts are self-sustaining, and participants who plan on keeping a few treasures are asked to leave a few treasures of their own behind! Treasures should be appropriate for school and should fit inside of a mason jar. Treasure examples: bouncy ball, army men or anything that the next person might find interesting.</p>	<p><b>FALL FAMILY FRIDAY: TREASURE HUNT</b> 5 – 7 p.m., Welcome Center</p> <p>Members: \$10 per person Non-members: \$12 per person</p> <p>Families will love spending valuable time together in nature while treasure hunting! Like geocaching, families will search for hidden treasures guided by GPS devices or paper maps. Howell Nature Center Treasure Hunts are self-sustaining, and participants who plan on keeping a few treasures are asked to leave a few treasures of their own behind! Treasures should be appropriate for school and should fit inside of a mason jar. Treasure examples: bouncy ball, army men or anything that the next person might find interesting.</p>
<b>OCTOBER 9</b> ALL AGES	<b>OCTOBER 10, 17</b> AGES 8+	<b>OCTOBER 14</b> AGES 21+	<b>OCTOBER 14</b> AGES 13+
<p><b>RAW ART WORLD PARTNERSHIP: CREATE YOUR OWN FAIRY GARDEN</b> 1 – 3 p.m., Pineview Lodge</p> <p>Members: \$18 per person Non-members: \$20 per person</p> <p>Unleash your inner nature child and learn to make your very own Fairy Garden! You'll collect natural items found on site, then our instructor will help you build something you'll be proud to display in your garden at home or along the Fairy Trail in Alexandria's Naturescape right here at Howell Nature Center. Taught by RAW Art World.</p>	<p><b>ZOMBIE ESCAPE</b> 3 – 6:30 p.m., Welcome Center</p> <p>Members: \$40 per person Non-members: \$45 per person</p> <p>Zombies are taking over the Nature Center! Test your skills at the archery field, practice basic survival skills with fire and shelter building, and make your ESCAPE fleeing down a 500ft zip line! Will you survive? Maximum weight restriction of 250 pounds. Closed-toed shoes are a must.</p>	<p><b>WILDLIFE TRIVIA NIGHT</b> 6 – 8 p.m., Pineview Lodge</p> <p>Members: \$10 per person Non-members: \$12 per person</p> <p>Our Wildlife Educators will take guests on a guided tour of the Wild Wonders Wildlife Park. During this tour, you will learn all about our amazing animal ambassadors. This knowledge will be put to the test during a trivia challenge after the tour, with prizes awarded to the team who scores the highest! Refreshments will be available, and guests are encouraged to "BYOB" to be enjoyed</p>	<p><b>VIRTUAL PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP WITH STEVE GETTLE: BIRDS OF PREY</b> 7 p.m., Virtual Class via Zoom</p> <p>Members &amp; Non-Members: \$90 per person</p> <p>Learn inside tips from Steve Gettle on the best strategies and methods to use when photographing birds of prey at the Howell Nature Center. Photos of our birds have been published in many field guides, books, calendars, and magazines. Learn how to make compelling and memorable professional-quality photographs with Steve this fall!</p>
<b>OCTOBER 15</b> ALL AGES	<b>OCTOBER 16, 17</b> AGES 13+	<b>OCTOBER 23, 24</b> ALL AGES	<b>OCTOBER 29</b> ALL AGES
<p><b>FALL FAMILY FRIDAY: HOGWARTS NIGHT</b> 5 – 7 p.m., Grindley Lodge</p> <p>Members: \$10 per person Non-members: \$12 per person</p> <p>All witches and warlocks are invited to experience the magic of Hogwarts! You will meet owls and other "magical beasts," and have the opportunity to make magical crafts and create potions. Guests are encouraged to dress up in their house robes or as their favorite character!</p>	<p><b>IN-PERSON PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP WITH STEVE GETTLE: BIRDS OF PREY*</b> 1 – 4 p.m., The Triangle</p> <p>Members &amp; Non-Members: \$90 per person</p> <p>Participants will photograph some of Howell Nature Center's birds of prey in this 3-hour outdoor session! Steve and his team will be available to provide guidance and tips to help participants increase their photography skills and capture the best shots possible of these incredible birds! An optional Wild Wonders Tour is available from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. for an additional \$7 per participant.</p> <p><i>*Face masks are required for all participants and social distancing between several stations will be encouraged.</i></p>	<p><b>HOWL-O-WEEN</b> 3 – 5 p.m. or 5 – 7 p.m., Welcome Center</p> <p>Members: \$6 per adult; \$12 per child Non-members: \$8 per adult; \$15 per child</p> <p>Dress up your little critter and join us for a HOWLing good time! We will be BURSTING with merry-not-scary decorations as children trick-or-treat around the park, enjoy fresh cider and donuts, and watch their animal friends play with pumpkin-themed enrichment! While we can't have hands-on activities or games this year, admission will include a goodie bag for every boy and ghoulish with festive activities to continue the fun at home! This exciting family event is all inclusive and will sell out.</p>	<p><b>FALL FAMILY FRIDAY: NIGHT HIKE &amp; CAMPFIRE</b> 5 – 7 p.m., Grindley Lodge</p> <p>Members: \$10 per person Non-members: \$12 per person</p> <p>Enjoy an evening hike through the woods, learning how our different senses help us navigate in the dark! Then enjoy songs and a festive treat by the campfire.</p>

### 2022 CAMP WONDER REGISTRATION

Registration for 2022 Day and Overnight Camps is coming soon! We encourage all camp families to register for our popular camp programs as early as possible. Your child can still enjoy nature this Fall by visiting our Wild Wonders Wildlife Park and Alexandria's NatureScape, open 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. daily. Purchase a membership and enjoy unlimited visits all year long!



Pre-registration required for all events. To see our calendar of events and to register, go to [howellnaturecenter.org/events](https://howellnaturecenter.org/events).



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