



BEREA COLLEGE FORESTRY OUTREACH CENTER at the Pinnacles: Homelands of Shawnee and Cherokee Peoples

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Tues-Sat: 10am-4pm Sun: 12-4pm, trails open daily dawn to dusk

October 2023 Friends of the Forest Newsletter

Celebrating our Connections with Nature and Each Other

The first full month of fall brings fresh, crisp air, beautiful colors, and many gifts to be aware and thankful for. In October, we commemorate the first peoples' of the land we now call home on Indigenous Peoples' Day, October 9th. During Berea Tree Week, October 7th-15th, as well as on Mountain Day, October 18th, we will celebrate our relationship to the natural world. We hope to see you at these events or out walking the trails and admiring the changing of the seasons!

Berea Tree Week Oct. 7th-15th

Tree Week is a weeklong event held by communities across Kentucky through the University of Kentucky's Urban Forest Initiative (UFI) to learn about and celebrate trees! Check out the UFI website to learn about events taking place in the thirteen participating cities. Take a look at Berea's schedule of events below on page 2.



Berea College Mountain Day October 18th

The College community is gearing up for another year of celebrating the outdoors by coming to the Pinnacles for Mountain Day! Starting back in 1875, this unique tradition encourages sharing the beauty of nature and culture in this region and beyond.

Sunday Family Activities

- Oct. 8th & 15th: Tree Week Activities on page 2
- Oct. 22nd: Fun Fungi
- Oct. 29th: Creepy Crawlies
- "Trick or Treat" Hike Oct. 28th
- Walk on the trails and collect the treats along the way!

Nature R&R

- a slow-paced, relaxing and restorative forest experience
Please bring water and something to sit on, reserve a free spot by searching on Eventbrite.
- Oct. 12th: see page 2
 - Oct. 19th: 5:15-7:15PM at Anglin Falls

"May your children hear and breathe the words of our Indigenous ancestors. May we all be so lucky to know an Indigenous future."
~Matika Wilbur, Project 562: Changing the Way We See Native America

October Events:

All events at the FOC/Pinnacles unless otherwise noted.

Free and open to all.

Outdoor activities weather-dependent.

Nature Hikes at the Pinnacles every Saturday at 1:00pm

- "Trick or Treat" Hike Oct. 28th

student shuttle leaves at 12:45pm from Alumni Circle, returns ~3:30pm

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-Oct. 12th at Brushy Fork, 3:00-5:00pm

-Oct. 19th at Anglin Falls, 5:15-7:15pm

Kids Activities Sundays, 2:00pm:

-Oct. 8th: *The Lorax Party*

-Oct. 15th: Painting with Natural Dyes

-Oct. 22nd: Fun Fungi

-Oct. 29th: Creepy Crawlies

Berea Tree Week Oct. 7th-15th
view schedule on second page

Happy Indigenous Peoples' Day Oct. 9th!
Happy Mountain Day Oct. 18th!



Berea College Forestry Outreach Center



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Citizen Science Project:
Biodiversity of the Berea College Forest



Seek app by iNaturalist, great I.D. tool for kids and families

<https://forestryoutreach.berea.edu/>

BEREA 2023 TREE WEEK

EVENTS OCTOBER 7TH-15TH

ALL ARE FREE

7th--Saturday:

- Tree I.D. Hike at the Pinnacles, Forestry Outreach Center, 1:00pm
Learn about the trees that surround us during our group hike
- City of Berea Tree Week Kickoff, Chestnut St. Pavilion, 5:30-7:30pm
Enjoy a tree planting, kids activities, snacks, and live music

8th--Sunday:

- The Lorax Party, Forestry Outreach Center, 2:00-3:30pm
Geared towards young children, story time, snacks, activities

9th--Monday:

- Walk at Brushy Fork, meet at Alumni Patio, 1:00pm
A gentle, student-led group hike

10th--Tuesday:

- Mulch Madness! Tree Mulching at the Pinnacles, 3:30-5:00pm
Help us protect trees in the lower forest by spreading mulch
- Clear Day Thunder film and Q&A, Carter G. Woodson Center in the Alumni Building, 5:30pm
View the film and learn about American Chestnut trees

11th--Wednesday:

- Clear Day Thunder film and Q&A, Forestry Outreach Center, 6:00pm
View the film and learn about American Chestnut trees

12th--Thursday:

- Nature R&R at Brushy Fork, meet at Alumni Patio, 3:00-5:00pm
A slow-paced, relaxing and restorative forest experience

13th--Friday:

- Painting in the Forest!, meet at Alumni Patio, 4:00-6:00pm
Students, relax by creating a painting while in nature

14th--Saturday:

- Solar Eclipse Viewing, Forestry Outreach Center, 12:00-3:00pm
Thanks to the Pinnacle Astronomy Club

15th--Sunday:

- Painting with Natural Dyes, Forestry Outreach Center, 2:00pm
Use paints made from natural materials
- Family Activity: The Great Tree Hunt, meet at the Brushy Fork bridge, 5:00-7:00pm
A friendly competition to find the biggest, oldest trees

WATCH FOR AN ART
INSTALLATION OF TREE
IDENTIFICATION SIGNS AT THE
PINNACLES AND TREE
PLANTINGS ON
CAMPUS AND AT BEREA
COMMUNITY SCHOOL



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