

The Great Outdoors



ENO RIVER STATE PARK, 6101 Cole Mill Rd, Durham, 919-383-1686, ncparks.gov:

- **Beetle Hunt**—Monday, January 11, noon–1pm. Learn about beetles and search for them under logs, rocks, and anywhere else they might be hiding. Call to register; everybody will meet on the Park Office porch.
- **Deer Rush**—Wednesday, January 13, noon–1pm. Play a game and learn how having too many of one type of animal can be harmful to the environment. Call to register; everybody will meet at the Fews Ford Parking Loop.
- **Winter Tree ID Hike**—Friday, January 15, 3–4pm. Join a hike and learn how to identify trees after they have dropped their leaves. Call to register; everybody will meet at Cole Mill Access.
- **Pine Cone Bird Feeders**—Saturday, January 16, 3:30–4:30pm. Learn how birds survive the winter and build a bird feeder to help them out. Call to register; everybody will meet on the Park Office porch.
- **Hike**—Friday, January 29, 1–3pm. Join a hike to a cemetery of enslaved people and learn about the effect slavery had on the Eno River Valley community. Call to register; everybody will meet on the Park Office porch.

These are *free* events! Call the Eno River Association at 919-620-9099 or click [here](#) for more info.



FALLS LAKE STATE RECREATION AREA, 13304 Creedmoor Rd, Wake Forest, 919-676-1027, ncparks.gov:

There are no *free* events on the docket for January.



JORDAN LAKE STATE RECREATION AREA, 280 State Park Rd, Apex, 919-362-0586, ncparks.gov:

- All programming and special events have been cancelled, but the following trails are open for walking and exploration: **Children's Nature, Ebenezer Church Old Oak, Ebenezer Church, Jordan Lake Track/Seaforth Pond, New Hope, Poplar Point Campground, Vista Point Blue, and Vista Point Red.** Click [here](#) for a full description of the trails and addresses of the access points.
- New Hope Overlook boat ramp, New Hope Overlook hiking trail and Seaforth boat ramp are open. To ease traffic and

parking congestion at New Hope and Seaforth boat ramps, only vehicles hauling boats or jet skis will be permitted to access the boat ramp area. The entrance fee of \$7 per vehicle (\$5 for senior citizens and veterans/military) and \$20 per bus/van will be collected for any vehicle that enters New Hope Overlook and Seaforth on weekends. Gates open at 8am and lock at 8pm.

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WILLIAM B UMSTEAD STATE PARK, 8801 Glenwood Ave, Raleigh, 919-571-4170, ncparks.gov:

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DURHAM PARKS AND RECREATION OUTDOOR EVENTS:

- The city's playgrounds have officially reopened and will be open during normal hours—from dawn to dusk. DPR staff has been cleaning and disinfecting the playground in anticipation of kids returning to play on the swings, slides, etc. Please continue to have your face masks on hand in case you're not the only ones in the immediate area. Click [here](#) for a full list of all 55 DPR playgrounds.
- **Historic Tour of West Point on the Eno Park** (5150 N Roxboro Rd)—Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, 2–3pm. See the West Point Mill, McCown-Mangum House, and the Hugh Mangum Museum of Photography and learn about the people who lived, worked, and played in the area. Because of the coronavirus pandemic, the group size will be limited and everyone will practice social distancing. *Free* admission; visit the Facebook event page for more info.
- **Historic Tour of Leigh Farm Park** (370 Leigh Farm Rd)—Saturdays, 2–3pm. Visit this middle-class plantation, learn about the families' lives—those of the farm owners and the enslaved people, and see the Leigh Family Cemetery. Because of the coronavirus pandemic, the group size will be limited and everyone will practice social distancing. *Free* admission; visit the Facebook event page for more info.

