

LUNCHTIME DISCOVERY *Series* EARTH DAY



CELEBRATING EARTH DAY ALL MONTH LONG

Explore Our Past, Invest in Our Planet, Invest in Our Future

Throughout the month of April, the Lunchtime Discovery series will recognize Earth Day. These live virtual presentations will be held each Wednesday from noon to 1:00 p.m. Eastern and are hosted by NC Museum of Natural Sciences Daily Planet Curator Chris Smith.

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— CAMP TOO —

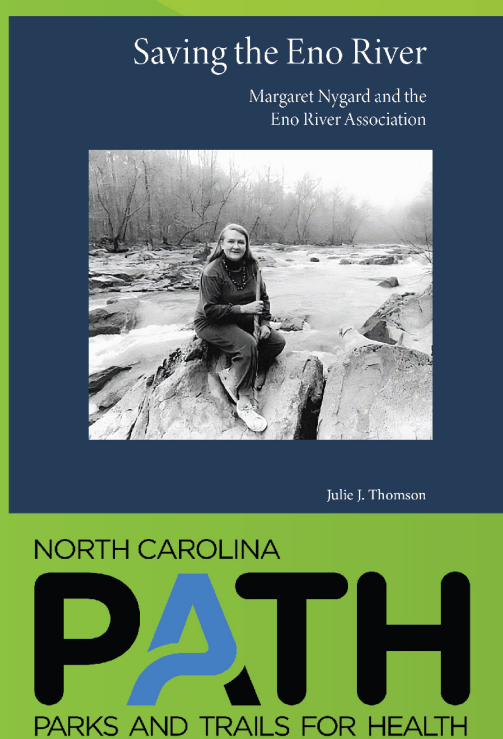
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2023

NOON – 1:00 P.M. EDT

Inviting More Unity to the Outdoor Community and Beyond

Earl B. Hunter, Founder and President of Black Folks Camp Too

Earl B. Hunter, Jr is an authentic storyteller. He guides his audience to think from a solution point of view. He will present the three reasons why Black Folks have been left out of the life-giving power of nature and discuss the impact this has on our nation's overall psyche: (1) Fear; (2) Knowledge; (3) Invitation. Earl will share ideas on how we can all help to improve the situation. His presentation will focus on how important it is to INVITE "more" folks into the outdoors. In addition, Earl will discuss how the Unity Blaze, which is the campfire in the center of Black Folks Camp Too logo is quickly becoming the symbol of unity in the outdoors. The Unity Blaze means "treat everyone, everywhere, equally."



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2023

NOON – 1:00 P.M. EDT

Saving the Eno: Margaret Nygard and the Eno River Association: A reading and discussion with Author Julie Thomson

Julie Thomson, Environmental Educator and Naturalist

Kim Livingston, Director of Conservation and Stewardship, Eno River Association

Tune in for a reading of the new book, "Saving the Eno River," with author Julie J. Thomson. "Saving the Eno River" tells the story of the people who joined together to protect the Eno River for all of us, and how Eno River State Park was formed. Julie, an environmental educator and naturalist in Western North Carolina, wrote the book for her North Carolina Environmental Education Certification project. Kim Livingston with the Eno River Association will give us a brief update about new land that is being added to Eno River State Park.



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023

NOON – 1:00 P.M. EDT

There's a Lot to See Here: An Introduction to Western North Carolina Geology

Bart Cattnach, Senior Geologist, NC Geological Survey, North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality

The geology of western North Carolina records over a billion years of Earth's history. These rocks contain evidence of volcanism, ancient sea floors, mountain building, continental rifting, and more! Join us for a discussion of the rocks and events that have shaped this beautiful area, creating important mineral resources and potential hazards.



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2023

NOON – 1:00 P.M. EDT

2023: NORTH CAROLINA YEAR OF THE TRAIL

Palmer McIntyre, Director, NC Year of the Trail and Coordinator, NC Great Trails State Coalition

2023 is North Carolina Year of the Trail, designated by the NC General Assembly. This campaign, the largest celebration of outdoor recreation in NC history, is an opportunity to celebrate all kinds of trails – hiking, biking, walking, running, paddling, equine – across the state and promote the many health, economic and environmental benefits trails provide to communities and people. Palmer McIntyre will share the goals and strategies of the campaign, how communities are engaging with the campaign, and how the campaign fits into a larger strategy to secure sustained state funding for trails.

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