

## Ideas for Summer 2009

1. Visit local college campuses. There are 16 colleges within this area. These nearby colleges are large and small in size, public and private in funding, two-year and four-year in degree preparation, comprehensive and specialized in type.
2. Volunteer some time for community service. Spend quality time in a hospital, an office, a recreation center, a homeless shelter, or any place where service might be needed.
3. Ask a parent to arrange an opportunity to shadow them or someone else for a day or a week as that other person goes about performing a job.

### Form a Summer Book Group

Each month read a book. Each member of the Book Group can write two or three books they would like the group to read on a strip of paper and all are put into a jar. A strip of paper is pulled out of the jar and then the group meets and discusses the book at scheduled times over the summer. Each person should bring ten questions about the book and the Group discusses the questions during the meeting. The Group can meet at "free" meeting places such as local libraries or meeting space at a book store. The Group could combine the meeting with another activity such as a pot luck dinner, picnic in the park, volunteer activity or meet the author of the book read at a local book festival.

### Baltimore Book Festival

Sept. 25-27 at Mount Vernon Place

Admission: Free

This year's authors include Diahann Carroll, KRS-One, Dale DeGroff, Lourdes Castro and Adam Ried.

**KRS-One - Lawrence Krishna Parker** better known by his stage name **KRS-One**, is an American rapper. Over his career, he has been known by several pseudonyms including "Kris Parker", "The Blastmaster", "The Teacha", and "The Philosopher". At the 2008 BET Awards, KRS-One was the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award, for all his work and effort towards the Stop the Violence Movement as well as the overall pioneering of hip-hop music and culture.

Go to [www.baltimorebookfestival.com/index.cfm?page=join](http://www.baltimorebookfestival.com/index.cfm?page=join) for more info.

WEEKEND TIMELINE : TBA

Friday, September 25 | Saturday, September 26 | Sunday, September 27

## **The Library of Congress National Book Festival**

Details for the 2009 National Book Festival has not been released. Traditional organized and sponsored by the Library of Congress, the 2008 National Book Festival was held on Saturday, September 27, 2008, on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., between 3rd and 7th streets from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The festival is free and open to the public.

## **The Fall for the Book Festival**

The 2009 Fall for the Book Festival will be held from September 21 - 26 2009, co-hosted by the city of Fairfax, VA on the campus of George Mason University  
4400 University Drive  
Fairfax, VA 22030  
703-993-3986  
[www.fallforthebook.org](http://www.fallforthebook.org)

Scheduled participants for the 2009 Festival include:

### ***Fiction***

**Sherman Alexie**  
**Jessica Anthony**  
**E.L. Doctorow**  
**Yiyun Li**  
**Michael Sims**

### ***Poetry***

**Scott Cairns**

### ***Nonfiction***

**Jayanti Tamm**

## **Go Hiking or Biking at Local Nature Preserves & Other Physical Activities**

Lace up sturdy shoes or tune up your bike. Take along water (or a light lunch), sun and insect protection, and a map - and enjoy. No pressure, lots of camaraderie.

## **Jug Bay Wetland Sanctuary**

The Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary (JBWS), established in 1985 to preserve this fragile and unique environment, covers 500 acres on the Anne Arundel County side. More than 70 percent of the site is wetland. Visitors can enjoy interacting with hands-on exhibits at the nature center, drawing and photographing wildlife at one of two observation blinds, walking along seven miles of trails and boardwalks, and canoeing the marsh and river on

organized outings. JBWS is located in southern Anne Arundel County, on the east bank of the Patuxent River. From Annapolis (18 miles to the north) take Route 2 south to Route 258, go west to:

1361 Wrighton Road  
Lothian, Maryland 20711

Sanctuary hours: Wed, Sat & Sun: 9:00 am to 5 p.m. (Closed Sundays from Dec to Feb). Reservations are required.

Phone: 410-741-9330     [www.jugbay.org](http://www.jugbay.org)

Email: [jugbay@toad.net](mailto:jugbay@toad.net)

Entrance fees: Adults \$5, Under 18 \$3, Seniors \$3

The Patuxent River is a relatively calm river and can be a wonderful experience for beginners and advanced paddlers. The many channels flow through the wetlands offer opportunities to identify birds and plants.

General canoe trip policies:

- Canoe trips are lead by staff naturalists or trained volunteers. If no leader is available, the trip will be canceled and fees fully refunded.
- Canoes, life vests, and paddles are provided by JBWS. Canoes are Old Town Discovery 158 and 174.
- No private canoes or kayaks allowed.
- Participants can provide their own paddles or Coast Guard approved PFD (life vest) if they wish.
- Children must be at least seven years old. For children until 16 years old, there should be at least one adult for every two children, preferably one adult per child.
- Canoe trips are \$10 per person. Payment (cash or check) must be received to reserve spots. Phone, fax or email reservations are not accepted.
- Credit cards not accepted.
- Walk-in registrations at any time will be accepted on a space available basis.
- No refunds for cancellations or no-shows.
- If JBWS cancels a trip due to adverse weather, low enrollment, or lack of leader a full refund will be issued.

- The trips start promptly, and leave the Wetlands Center approximately 15 minutes after the stated starting time. Participants often cannot join the trip if they arrive more than 15 minutes late.
- Trips are four hours long, which includes general orientation, basic paddling lesson, hike to canoes, launching canoes, and paddling. Plan to be on the water for approximately 2.5 hours.

### **Quite Waters Park**

600 Quiet Waters Park Road

Annapolis MD. 21403

410-222-1777

7:00 a.m. - Dusk/ closed Tuesdays

Nestled between the South River and Harness Creek, Quiet Waters Park in Annapolis offers a wide variety of family activities. Visitors can walk, jog, or bike on over 6 miles of scenic paved trails, play at the large multi-level children's playground, enjoy the South River promenade and scenic overlook, or picnic among 340 acres of beautiful parkland. Boat rental and ice-skating are available seasonally, and the park's Visitor Center includes formal gardens, art galleries, and a café.

- Concert Series TBA. Go to <http://friendsofquietwaterspark.homestead.com/concert.html> in late spring for a schedule for the summer and fall.

### **Downs Park**

8311 John Downs Loop

Pasadena, MD 21122

Phone: 410-222-6230

Fax - 410-222-6238

24 hour Events Line - 410-222-6239

Park Hours: 9 AM - Dusk, Closed Tuesdays. / Office Hours: 9 AM - 4 PM, Closed Tuesdays.

Situated on Chesapeake Bay, Downs Park offers a variety of natural and recreational activities throughout its 245 acres. Downs Park offers more

than five miles of paved and natural trails. Entry fees are charged for vehicles entering the park, but entry fees are waived if a military band is performing in the park. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited.

Yearly highlight: Summer Bayside Concert series (TBA)

### **Patuxent Research Refuge (PRR NT)**

(<http://patuxent.fws.gov>)

North Tract - This offers hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, trails, and many interpretive programs. Hours: 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

The North Tract is located on Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32. Regularly scheduled programs are free, but advance registration required (301.497.5887)

### **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Wildlife Visitor Center (NWVC)**

10901 Scarlet Tanager Loop

Laurel, MD 20708-4027

301-497-5760

Hours are 10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. daily

Located off of Powder-Mill Road, 2 miles east of the Baltimore /Washington Parkway, just south of Laurel, Maryland.

Regularly scheduled programs include:

#### **Butterflies are Free, and Worth Knowing Too! - Ages 10+**

Discover the role that butterflies play in the ecosystem and learn to identify several common to Maryland on this guided 3-mile hike. Field guide recommended. Bring water.

#### **Bird Walk (NWVC) - All Ages**

Search for birds in several refuge habitats on this guided hike. Field guides and binoculars recommended.

#### **Owl Prowl (PRR NT) - All ages.**

Discover the nighttime world of the refuge as you look and listen for owls and other nocturnal animals on this guided walk.

**Weed Warriors! (PRR NT) - Ages 13+**

Non-native invasive plants are threatening our wildlife habitat. We need YOU to help stop them! Bring gloves and water (and hand tools if available)

**Kids Fishing Day**

Saturday, June 13th, 2009

9:00AM - 1:00PM

Fishing demonstrations and activities. Catch and release only.

**Cash Lake Fishing Program: June 15 - October 15**

Both sanctuaries will provide an opportunity to learn about wildlife conservation as well as volunteer and internship opportunities to participate in while in high school and/or college.

**Fort Dupont Summer Concert Series**

(<http://www.nps.gov/fodu/index.htm>)

National Capital Parks - East H.Q.

1900 Anacostia Drive, SE

Washington, DC 20020

202-426-5961 (after 5:00 pm; on concert day 202-426-7723/7745

Saturday and select Friday concerts at 8:00 pm and are free to the public.

Bring lawn chairs, blankets, and picnic baskets and enjoy music under the stars. NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES are permitted.

Located at Minnesota Avenue and Randle Circle in S.E. Washington, D.C. off of the Baltimore Washington Parkway (295). Summer concerts feature blues and jazz and will be announced in late spring. For a schedule, go to

[www.nps.gov/fodu/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/fodu/index.htm).

**Oxon Cove Park & Oxon Hill Farm**

6411 Oxon Hill Road

Oxon Hill, MD 20745

301-839-1176

[www.nps.gov/oxhi](http://www.nps.gov/oxhi)

## **Operating Hours**

Open daily - 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. except on January 1, Thanksgiving, and December 25.

Oxon Hill Farm is a working farm, representative of the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. . All programs are free and open to the public. If you are part of a group of five or more, please contact, **Ray Whitacre on 301-839-1176**, at least two weeks prior to your visit to make reservations. Available farm visit activities include:

Meet the Dairy Cow - every Thursday during the week and every Friday, Saturday and Sunday Feb 15<sup>th</sup> thru Dec 26<sup>th</sup> 2009.

**Time:** 10:00 AM

**Location:** Dairy Barn

Details: Stop by the dairy barn and meet 1 of our dairy cows up close and personal! You will learn about dairies, cows, and fun facts about agriculture. You *may* even get a chance to milk her. *Groups of 5 or more people require reservations Monday through Friday. No reservations needed on the weekend. Please be at the dairy barn at 10 a.m.*

Meet the Chickens - every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday during the week and every

Friday, Saturday and Sunday Feb 15<sup>th</sup> thru Dec 26<sup>th</sup> 2009.

**Time:** 11:00 AM

Details: Come help with the chores while learning about this important farm animal, the chicken. You will help feed the chickens and learn interesting and fun facts about this barnyard bird. *Reservations required for groups of 5 or more on Monday through Thursday. No reservation needed for the weekend. Please be at the chicken coop at 11 a.m.*

Scenic Wagon Ride - every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday during the week and every Friday, Saturday and Sunday Feb 15<sup>th</sup> thru Dec 26<sup>th</sup> 2009.

**Time:** 1:30 PM to 2:00 PM

Details: Enjoy a scenic wagon ride while observing nature, the historical

structures, and the beauty of this national park. Groups of five or more require a reservation on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. *You must be here at 1:30 p.m.*

The Park`s Past, An Invitation to Learn the Story of Oxon Cove Park - every Tuesday, and Thursday during the week and every Sunday and Saturday Feb 15<sup>th</sup> thru Dec 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Time:** 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Details: Explore the park`s past and find out about some of the fascinating stories that have occurred on the park property overtime. Did you know that Mary Debutts, the mistress of Mount Welby, found a rocket on the hill of the house when returning from a trip to Leesburg?

Historical Farm Equipment - daily Jun 14<sup>th</sup> thru Oct 4<sup>th</sup> 2009.

**Time:** 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Location: Windmill

Details: Did you ever wonder what a strange looking piece of farm equipment was used for? Take a walking tour and learn how technology has changed from horse power to machine power. Meet the park ranger at the windmill.

Be a Junior Ranger - 7/13/2009, 7/14/2009, 7/15/2009, 7/16/2009

**Time:** 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Location: Oxon Hill Farm

Details: Become part of the elite group of Oxon Cove Park Junior Rangers by completing the four day program. The program is packed full of fun and educational activities. Talk to a Park Ranger (Ranger Whitacre, 301-839-1176) to find out more and reserve your space.

### **Directions**

Bounded by Interstate 295 and the Potomac River on the west, Interstate 95/495 on the south, Indian Head Highway (MD Route 210) on the east, and the District of Columbia on the north.

### **Gourmet Meetings**

Set a meal date and then decide on a theme, time, place (our home is available), and cooking assignments. Research recipes at the local library.

Consider taking fresh fruits and vegetables from the farm to the kitchen to the table. Create meals at the home of a host and take home to share with the family. Consider visiting local farms to pick fresh fruits and vegetables as part of the Club's extended efforts. It need not even be a meal. Instead, build gatherings around appetizers or dessert. Here are some possible themes:

- Creative Pizza
- All Vegetarian
- Dagwood Sandwiches
- Deserts
- Chocolate, Chocolate, Chocolate
- Finger Food
- Ethnic Food (i.e. Chinese, Filipino or Soul)
- Budget - Create a meal for less than a \$1 per person
- Soup and salad

### **Homestead Farm**

Ben and Maureen Allnutt  
15600 Sugarland Road  
Poolesville, Maryland 20837  
Recorded Message 301-977-3761  
[www.homestead-farm.net](http://www.homestead-farm.net)

A *working* farm that allows customers to pick their own fruit and vegetables with use of grower supplied shallow boxes. Go prepared with a hat, sunglasses, and sunscreen.

Strawberry season begins around May 22<sup>nd</sup>

June 2009 Highlights: PYO tart cherries and strawberries. [Tart cherry season begins around June 15<sup>th</sup>]

July 2009 Highlights: PYO blackberries, peaches, nectarines; cut-your-own flowers. Available veggies may include corn, tomatoes, squash and beans. [Blackberry and peach season begins around July 6<sup>th</sup> ]

August 2009 Highlights: PYO blackberries, peaches, apples and raspberries ; cut-your-own flowers. Available veggies may include corn, tomatoes, squash, onions and beans.

Homestead Farm Corn Roast - July 18-19, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Montgomery Farm Tour Weekend - July 25-26

Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

### **Anne Arundel County Farmers' Market**

Riva Road & Harry S. Truman Parkway

Tuesdays, 7 a.m. - 12 noon

June 9 - October 27,

*Saturdays, 7 a.m. - 12 noon*

*April 4 - December 19*

### **Game Days**

Schedule regular Game Days over the summer. Limit the Game Days to a specific time limit (say no longer than two or three hours), plan to meet no more than once every two weeks and commit to try a different game each meeting. Rotate the Game Days between homes of participants. Depending on the weather, plan to play the games indoors or outdoors. Indoor games might include Monopoly, Scrabble, Trivial Pursuit, Karaoke or Wii/Play Station/Xbox games. Outdoor games might include flag football, bocce, croquet, and volleyball. The host family can provide light refreshments.

### Cultural Outings

#### Artscape

JULY 17-19, 2009 in Mount Vernon. SCHEDULE POSTED ON JUNE 4!

Admission: Free

Friday & Saturday: noon-10 pm; Sunday: noon-8 pm

Mt. Royal Avenue and Cathedral streets, midtown Baltimore - the Lyric Opera House at 140 West Mount Royal Avenue, 21201 sits at the center of the festival.

Artscape is the largest free public arts festival in the country, Artscape features 150+ artists, fashion designers and craftspeople; visual art exhibits

on and off site, including exhibitions, outdoor sculpture, art cars, photography and the Janet & Walter Sondheim Prize; live concerts on three outdoor stages; a full schedule of performing arts including dance, opera, theater, fashion, film, experimental music and performances by the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra; family events such as hands-on projects, demonstrations, competitions, children's entertainers and multiple street theater locations; and an international menu of food and beverages that is available throughout the festival site.

### Maryland State Fair

August 28 through September 7 at Maryland State Fairgrounds

#### **HOURS:**

Livestock and Horse Shows: Open 9am to 10 pm

Demonstration and Exhibit Halls: Open 10am to 10 pm

Midway Hours: Open 10 am (weekends) / Open 12 noon (weekdays)

Admission: Adults: \$8, Kids 6-11: \$3, Under 6: Free

**RIDES:** Tickets may be purchased at the Midway Ride Ticket Booths.

Tickets are \$1.25 each and each ride uses approximately 1-6 rides tickets.

RIDE DISCOUNT TICKET SHEETS are also available at ride ticket booths: 50 ride tickets for \$45.

**RIDEMANIA:** Ridemania night is Thursday, August 27, 2009 and starts at 5PM. Ride all night for just \$15. This year there will also be a walk around pass for those individuals who are not riding any rides. The walk around pass will be \$4. NO BUILDINGS WILL BE OPEN, just the Midway and rides.

**WRISTBANDS:** Ride Wristbands, for \$20, will be available Friday, August 28, 2009 and Monday, August 31, 2009 through Thursday, September 3, 2009 (sold only from Noon to 6PM). Ride wristbands can be purchased at the midway ride ticket booths.

**FOOD LION RIDE COUPON:** \$5 off coupon on wristbands, will be available, while supplies last, at participating Food Lion stores. NOTE: Food Lion Ride Coupon will ONLY be available for use on Friday, August 28, 2009 and Monday, August 31, 2009 through Thursday, September 3, 2009 (ride wristbands sold only from Noon to 6PM at Midway Ride Ticket Booths). Food Lion coupons are NOT valid on Labor Day.

**LABOR DAY RIDE SPECIAL:** Monday, September 7, 2009 from 10AM to 10PM. Fairgoers pay \$20 for a ride wristband, to ride an unlimited number of rides from 10AM to 10PM on Labor Day. Fair admission is not included.

## Maryland Renaissance Festival

Aug. 29 - Oct. 25 in Revel Grove - Crownsville

Admission:

Adults (16-61): \$18 2-Day pass: \$28 Forever Pass: \$80

Children (7-15): \$15

Seniors (62+): \$8

Open from 10:00am - 7:00pm.

Watch a jousting match, sip from a mug of ale or munch on a turkey leg as you enjoy the medieval atmosphere. Festival performers include sword swallows, jugglers and magicians. For more information call: 1-800-296-7304 or visit [www.rennfest.com](http://www.rennfest.com)

August: 29, 30 [Children's Weekend - kids 11 and under free]

September: 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, 27

October: 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25

## **Museums**

### **The Smithsonian (<http://www.si.edu/>)**

Complex consists of 16 national museums and the National Zoo.

- ▶ [Smithsonian Information Center](#)  
(The Castle): open 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily
- ▶ [Anacostia Museum and Center for African American History and Culture](#)  
Collection, study, and exhibition of African American history and culture
- ▶ [Arthur M. Sackler Gallery](#)  
Asian art from Neolithic times to the present
- ▶ [Arts and Industries Building](#)  
Special changing exhibitions and Discovery Theater (for children)
- ▶ [National Museum of American History, Behring Center](#)  
History of science, technology, society, and culture in America
- ▶ [National Museum of Natural History](#)  
Where natural history lives
- ▶ [National Museum of the American Indian](#)  
Collection, preservation, study, and exhibition of the cultures and history of the native peoples of the Americas.
- ▶ [National Postal Museum](#)  
Interactive museum of postal history and philately

► **Cooper-Hewitt, National Design Museum**

Changing exhibitions of design, decorative arts, industrial design, and architecture

► **Freer Gallery of Art**

Asian and a specialized collection of American art

► **Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden**

Modern and contemporary art

► **National Air and Space Museum**

History, science, and technology of aviation and space flight

► **National Museum of African Art**

Collection, research, and exhibition of African art

► **National Zoological Park**

Several thousand animals in a beautiful 163-acre park.

Grounds are open: 6am-8pm

Buildings are open: 10am-6pm

► **Renwick Gallery of the Smithsonian American Art Museum**

Permanent collection and exhibitions of American crafts

► **Smithsonian American Art Museum**

Painting, sculpture, graphics, folk art, and photography 18th century to the present, special exhibitions of American art

Note: While closed for renovations, exhibitions and public programs continue at its Renwick Gallery.

**The Bureau of Engraving and Printing**

14th and C Streets, SW, Washington, DC  
(202) 874-2330

Free tickets are required for all tours during the peak season. Tours last about 45 minutes and are offered every 15 minutes, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (hours extended 5-7 p.m. in the summer) The facility is closed on weekends and federal holidays. Tickets are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis at Raoul Wallenberg Place (formerly 15th Street). Tickets are not available in advance. The Ticket Booth opens at 8:00 a.m. - Monday through Friday. This is a very popular attraction and lines form early. All of the tickets are usually gone by 9:00 a.m.

The closest Metro stop is the Smithsonian Station, Independence Avenue exit (12th & Independence, SW) on the Blue and Orange line trains.

### **National Aquarium, Baltimore**

Pier 3, 501 East Pratt Street

Baltimore, MD 21202

(410) 576-3800 [www.aqua.org](http://www.aqua.org)

### **Baltimore Museum of Art ([www.artbma.org](http://www.artbma.org))**

10 Art Museum Drive

Baltimore, MD 21218-3898

410-396-7100/6314

Wednesday - Friday, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. / Saturday - Sunday, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Free Admission.

Every Sunday at 2 p.m., enjoy different activities—sketching tours, hands-on workshops, gallery tours, and more—designed just for families.

### **BMA FunPacks**

Kits are available every Thursday and Saturday from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. and Sundays from 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

### **Sketch Pack**

Older children, teens, and adults can sharpen their drawing skills with a sketch pad and pencils, using works in the BMA's collection as models. Some of the works include Henry Moore's contemporary sculpture *Three Rings*; the American decorative art object *Horn Chair* (1880-1890); and masks from the BMA's African art collection.

- A visit to the BMA can be paired with a visit to Johns Hopkins University next door.

### **Walter's Art Museum**

600 North Charles Street

Baltimore, MD 21201

General Information: 410-547-9000

<http://thewalters.org>

**Hours** Tuesday - Sunday 10 a.m. — 5 p.m.

Closed Mondays, January 1, July 4, Thanksgiving Day, December 24, and December 25

Free Admission

### **Free Walk-in Tours**

Free docent-led tours of the permanent collection or the special exhibition are offered Sundays at 2 p.m. No reservations are required. Meet in the Centre Street Lobby near the Visitor Services Desk.

### **June 2009**

- Sunday, June 7 Compare and Contrast: The Arts of Europe and Asia
- Sunday, June 14 The Chamber of Art and Wonders
- Sunday, June 21 Fathers' Day: Celebrating Men in Art
- Sunday, June 28 Highlights of the Walters

### **July 2009**

- Sunday, July 5 Daily Life in the Ancient World
- Sunday, July 12 The Paintings of Herman Maril
- Sunday, July 19 Compare and Contrast: The Arts of Asia and Europe
- Sunday, July 26 Renaissance Art

### **August 2009**

- Sunday, August 2 The Art of the Ancient Americas and Asia
- Sunday, August 9 The Ancient World
- Sunday, August 16 The Paintings of Herman Maril
- Sunday, August 23 Highlights of the Walters
- Sunday, August 30 Nineteenth-Century Art

Concerts at the Carter Barron Amphitheatre at 16th Street and Colorado Avenue NW. Free tickets will be available on the day of performance at the Carter Barron box office beginning at noon. Tickets will also be available starting at 8:30 a.m. the day of the show at The Post at 1150 15th St. NW. There are no scheduled rain dates. Picnic areas are available in the park around the amphitheater. For more information, call 202-334-6808.

Concert season begins June 7, 2008 and the full schedule will be available May 22, 2008.

Concert line: 202-426-0486

Carter Barron Amphitheatre  
Rock Creek Park  
3545 Williamsburg Lane, NW  
Washington, DC 20008

Lurman Woodland Theatre - Catonsville

**Free, outdoors**

Located on the grounds of Catonsville High School at South Rolling Road and Bloomsbury Avenue, Lurman Woodland Theatre offers free concerts every weekend June through August. Musical styles at the wooded, outdoor community amphitheater range from barbershop and bluegrass to rock and reggae to country and Cajun.

Shows begin at 6 p.m. unless otherwise noted. In the event of rain, the performances will be relocated to Bloomsbury Community Center Auditorium, 106 Bloomsbury Ave., unless otherwise noted. Coolers permitted but no pets or alcohol.

**Saturday, June 6th, 2009 - 6:00 PM 2009 Season Opener!**

Catonsville High School Steel Drum Band  
"When Spirit Meets Steel"

**Saturday, June 13th, 2009 - 6:00 PM**

High Strung

5-piece Bluegrass blending traditional and non-traditional bluegrass from Flatt & Scruggs and Jimmy Martin to the Beatles and the Coasters

**Sunday, June 14th, 2009 - 6:00 PM**

The Bayside Big Band

17-Piece Big Band Performs The Music Of Famous Big Bands: Count Basie, Glenn Miller, Benny Goodman And More!

**Saturday, June 20th, 2009 - 6:00 PM**

Rhythmcats

Rock and Roll, Rhythm and Roll, Country, Pop, 50's, Latin and Blues

Sunday, June 21st, 2009 - 6:00 PM

The 229th Maryland Army National Guard Concert Band

Full Army National Guard band performing a variety of patriotic, Sousa marches, and movie theme numbers

Saturday, June 27th, 2009 - 6:00 PM

The Spindles

Motown, Memphis, Chicago and Philadelphia R&B Review Band

Sunday, June 28th, 2009 - 6:00 PM

Junkyard Saints

New Orleans-Style Party Music, Blending Funk, Swing, Latin, R&B, and Zydeco to Round Out the Mix

Saturday, July 11th, 2009 - 6:00 PM

The Gigs

The Gigs 2008 are the same guys who played all over Baltimore during the 60's and 70's doing a lot of the same great rock and British songs -- always with great harmony

Sunday, July 12th, 2009 - 6:00 PM

The Deanna Bogart Band

Bluesion: Blues, Jazz, R&B, and Country

Saturday, July 18th, 2009 - 6:00 PM

Bob Perilla's Big Hillbilly Bluegrass

Entertaining music fans for 12+ years on 3 continents, the BHB boasts 100+ years of combined musical experience for an exciting blend of hard-driving bluegrass along with country, folk and original material

Sunday, July 19th, 2009 - 6:00 PM

Maryland Defense Force Band

The 20-piece Maryland Defense Force Band commemorates Abraham Lincoln's 200th Birthday with a special program of American Music focusing on music heard by the 16th President during the Civil War

Saturday, July 25th, 2009 - 6:00 PM

Groove

Mammals

9-piece band playing 50's-80's dance tunes: R+B, Motown, Soul, Funk, Jazz, Blues, Rock, Latin and New Orleans

Sunday, July 26th, 2009 - 6:00 PM

Carl Filipiak and The Jimi Jazz Band

Contemporary jazz with an emphasis on original material, along with some funk and Jimi Hendrix inspired music

Saturday, August 1st, 2009 - 6:00 PM

Jay Cleaver &

The Love

Leaders

Jam band covers of funk, soul, rock, and blues

Sunday, August 2nd, 2009 - 6:00 PM

The Heart of Maryland Barbershop Chorus

Singing four-part harmony in the classic barbershop style as a large chorus and in quartets

Sunday, August 9th, 2009 - 6:00 PM

Too Many Daves & the Brass Solution

Covers & original music: R&B, Soul, Pop, Funk, and Rock-n-Roll styles

Saturday, August 15th, 2009 - 6:00 PM

Charles "Big Daddy" Stallings & The B-Town Bluez Band

Good-Time Blues with a warm, down-home delivery and witty originals, 'Big Daddy' and his terrific band will get you moving'

Sunday, August 16th, 2009 - 6:00 PM

Blue Daze

Superb Traditional and contemporary bluegrass, including numerous original songs

Sunday, August 23rd, 2009 - 6:00 PM

Columbia Concert Band

Community band performing a variety of music from patriotic and modern to Broadway

Sunday, August 30th, 2009 - 6:00 PM Final Show of the Season!

## Pan-American Rhythm Project

The Pan-American Rhythm Project is "The Music of the Americas", including samba, tango, salsa, and reggae adding life and dance to any place they perform

## **AMC Entertainment® Offers \$1.00 Movies During AMC Summer Moviecamp®**

Wednesday mornings this summer at AMC Summer Moviecamp from late June 25 to early Aug. A nominal fee of \$1 per guest will be charged with all admission proceeds, excluding taxes, going to AMC charitable partners, Variety - The Children's Charity and the Will Rogers Institute.

Check website in late spring for screening schedule and locations

[www.amctheatres.com/smc](http://www.amctheatres.com/smc)

## **43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Smithsonian Folklife Festival** on the National Mall

June 24-June 28 and July 1-5, 2009

Open daily 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Evening events 6 p.m.

Call (202) 633-7484 to hear a recorded description of daily events

[www.folklife.si.edu/festival/2009/index.html](http://www.folklife.si.edu/festival/2009/index.html)

### **2009 Program**

***Giving Voice: The Power of Words in African American Culture*** will examine how African American oral traditions have shaped American culture. From poetry to storytelling, from journalism to debate, the program will include performances and interactive programs designed to inspire, and to give insight into the aesthetics of language.

***The Americas: A Musical World*** will feature outstanding artists from the United States and Latin America representing the rich diversity of musical styles in the United States and throughout the Americas, including Puerto Rican bomba, plena, and jíbaro music, Mexican son music from various regions, mariachi music, Colombian vallenato, joropo, and currulao, Dominican merengue típico, bachata, and salve, Chilean cueca, tonada, and nueva

canción, Venezuelan música llanera, Paraguayan polca, Guatemalan marimba, and Salvadoran chanchona music.

***Wales Smithsonian*** will celebrate the culture of Wales, examining the language, literature, crafts and occupational skills, music and cooking, and a wide range of contemporary arts. A focus will be on sustainable living and climate change with an explanation of how materials continue to be refashioned, recycled, and reinvented to meet modern demands and to continue to connect Wales to the world.

### **Summer Camping**

Group will complete a "practice session" in the backyard of a host over a 24 hour period. Group will ensure they can pitch and take down a tent, prepare their meals and participate in a few engaging activities to keep themselves engaged over a typical summer evening. The group will use this experience to prepare for a one or two day camping experience at a local camp ground. We have all of the camp equipment needed (tent(s), tarps, cooking equipment).

### **Harpers Ferry / Civil War Battlefields KOA**

343 Campground Road  
Harpers Ferry, WV 25425

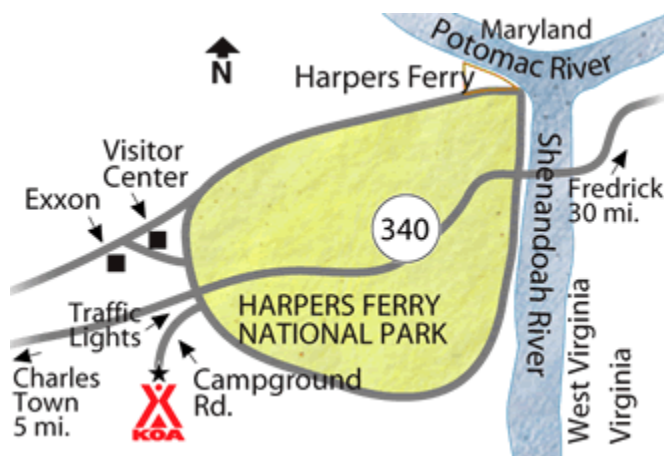
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Reservations: (800) 562-9497 or [www.koa.com/where/md/48107/index.htm](http://www.koa.com/where/md/48107/index.htm)

Camp next to a trench where Civil War soldiers faced off. Explore the site of John Brown's raid. Visit Antietam and other battlefields nearby. This KOA puts you in the heart of Civil War country, 65 miles from the nation's capital. Weekends are capped by a ceremonial cannon-firing at the on-site Civil War Reenactment Museum. Shop for Civil War souvenirs at the campground store.

KOA boasts 280 sites, a conference center, a gym and an Olympic-size pool. Hardwood trees glow with color in the fall here, where three states meet at the dramatic confluence of the Potomac and Shenandoah rivers, great for tubing, kayaking and whitewater rafting. Your hosts can arrange outings.

Ready to hike or bike? The Appalachian Trail and the C&O Canal run through town, just two miles away.



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### Cunningham Falls State Park

Cunningham Falls State Park, located in the Catoctin Mountains, is known for its history and scenic beauty, as well as its 78-foot cascading waterfall. The Falls is located one half mile from the lake in the Houck Area via the Falls Trail.

Before the first Europeans arrived, many small Native American tribes farmed, hunted and fished the area. Tradition says the name Catoctin came from the tribe, the Kittoctons, who once lived at the foot of the mountains near the Potomac River. By the time the settlers began to arrive in the Monocacy River Valley, Native Americans were seldom seen.

Early settlers used timber from the forests to make charcoal to fuel the [Catoctin Iron Furnace](#). Too many years of clear-cutting and unscientific farming, practices contributed to the overuse and destruction of the land.

In 1954, the area was divided into two parks, divided by Maryland Route 77. The northern 5,000 acres is now Catoctin Mountain Park, a unit of the National Park Service. The remaining 5,000 acre parcel was named Cunningham Falls State Park.

There are two main developed areas in the park, the William Houck Area and the Manor Area.

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**Features:**



- **Catoctin Iron Furnace Historical Site**--The Catoctin Iron Furnace operated from 1776 until 1903. The area was once a booming industrial complex and community. Much of the historic site is accessible. The site is located on MD Route 806, three miles south of Thurmont.
- **Swimming**--Swimming is permitted in three designated areas of Hunting Creek Lake. Lifeguards are on duty during posted hours Memorial Day to Labor Day.
- **Trails**--Enjoy easy to difficult hiking along nine scenic trails that include areas of Cunningham Falls State Park and Catoctin Mountain National Park. Take a trail map. Mountain bikes are prohibited on all trails.
- **Camping**--The park offers two camping areas: the **Houck Area** with 140 campsites situated in five camping loops and nine camper cabins, and the Manor Area with 31 campsites. Bathhouses with hot showers are conveniently located in each camping loop. Each campsite is equipped with a table, fire ring, lantern post and parking area. Some electric hook-up sites are available in both campgrounds. Campsites at the Houck and Manor Areas can be reserved. A camp store offers groceries, camping supplies and souvenirs.