

# NANKIN MILLS PUBLIC INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS

Public programs at Nankin Mills Interpretive Center are designed for individuals or families to attend, with adults and children participating together.

- **ADVANCE REGISTRATION AND PREPAYMENT ARE REQUIRED.** You will only be registered for a program after payment is received.
- **Program fee is \$4.00 per person, unless otherwise noted.**
- Please call to cancel if you will not be able to attend.
- No refunds will be given unless Wayne County cancels the program.
- **Please note the age recommendations listed for each program.**
- **Call 734-261-1990** for more information or visit our web site at [www.waynecountyparks.org](http://www.waynecountyparks.org).

## JUNE

### SEMBA FAMILY DAY

*Saturday, June 12, Noon – 3:00 pm,, All ages welcome, FREE EVENT*

Bring the whole family for an enjoyable afternoon at Nankin Mills, sponsored by the Southeastern Michigan Butterfly Association. Activities include a butterfly movie, crafts for children, butterfly rearing demonstrations, a tour of the SEMBA Butterfly Garden with plant information, and a native plant sale by Barson's Greenhouse.

## JULY

### SUMMER NATURE/HISTORY DAY CAMP

July is Summer Day Camp time at Nankin Mills! This popular program offers weekly sessions for different age groups focusing on a variety of nature and history topics each day. Kids may explore mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians, insects, astronomy, geology, Native American and Settlement history, to name a few! Hands-on games, crafts, hikes and activities make learning fun. Special visitors will make presentations during the week as well.

One snack is provided each day. Campers should bring a sack lunch with drink, bathing suit and towel to cool off on our waterslide at lunchtime. Our camp is licensed by the state of Michigan. Children should have **COMPLETED** the grades listed for the session.

**Registration opens Tuesday, March 2, 2010, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm. Your child will not be registered for a session until payment is received.**

### KINDERGARTEN/FIRST GRADE CAMP

*Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, July 13, 14, 15, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, \$105.00 per child*

Campers should have completed Kindergarten or First Grade. Bring sack lunch with drink, swimsuit and towel.

### SECOND/THIRD GRADE CAMP

*Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, July 20, 21, 22, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, \$105.00 per child*

Campers should have completed Second or Third Grade. Bring sack lunch with drink, swimsuit and towel.

## **FOURTH – SIXTH GRADE CAMP**

*Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, July 27, 28, 29, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm, \$105.00 per child*  
Campers should have completed 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, or 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Bring sack lunch with drink, swimsuit and towel.

## **SEPTEMBER**

### **NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE DAY**

*Saturday, September 11, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, Free Outdoor Event, All ages welcome*

The North American Indian Association will host a special Social Gathering at Nankin Mills to share their culture and their heritage. A drumming circle will lead the dancers in their beautiful regalia through the ceremony. These dedicated drummers, singers, dancers and artisans follow the Pow Wow trail all over North America. Native artisans will display, demonstrate and sell their crafts, and authentic Native American food will be available for purchase. Bring the whole family to share in this celebration of Michigan's first people.

### **PIONEER DAY AT NANKIN MILLS**

*Saturday, September 25, 1:00 – 4:00 pm*

*Free Event, Except Tickets \$4.00 per child for Craft Tent, Outdoor Event, All ages welcome*

Enjoy an afternoon visiting yesteryear with activities, music and re-enactors from the 1800s. Period demonstrations may feature black smithing, butter making, wool spinning, cider pressing, flour grinding, quilting, lumberjacking, outdoor cooking and more! The air will be filled with the sounds of old-time musical entertainment, and visitors will have a chance to take a leisurely hayride on Hines Drive. The "historic" craft tent and old-fashioned games can be enjoyed by all. Concession snacks are available. Make sure you visit our Gristmill Era history exhibits while you're here! Co-sponsored by the Friends of Nankin Mills.

## **OCTOBER**

### **HALLOWEEN FOREST FUN HIKE**

*Friday, October 22, Hikes beginning at 6:00 pm, 6:30 pm, 7:00pm, 7:30 pm, Register for one time, All ages welcome*

In the spirit of the Halloween season, take a guided night hike to meet some of our "not-so-scary" funny forest-dwellers. These costumed creatures love to tell you about themselves, and can be pretty comical! Hikes will begin every 30 minutes, please register for one of the starting times, and arrive 15 minutes early. Hikes begin on the grounds of Nankin Mills Interpretive Center and last about an hour, so dress for the weather. All ages welcome, but trail is not stroller friendly. After your hike, you will have a chance to meet some amazing live creatures from around the world during an indoor presentation. In the event of rain, the program will be moved indoors to Nankin Mills Interpretive Center. Co-sponsored by the Friends of Nankin Mills.

## **DECEMBER**

### **FAMILY HOLIDAY FEST & MILL LIGHTING**

*Saturday, December 11, 4:00 – 6:00 pm, All ages welcome*

*\$4.00 per participant for Crafts and Games (4:00 – 5:15 pm)*

*No charge for Santa Visit and Tree Lighting, sponsored by Friends of Nankin Mills (5:15 – 6:00 pm)*

The Friends of Nankin Mills and Wayne County Parks are pleased to invite the community to join us during this special time of year for an old-fashioned celebration at historic Nankin Mills. The first portion of the program features seasonal crafts you can make and take home to decorate your tree. Unique seasonal games, such as “fruitcake bowling”, “pin the nose on Rudolph” and “reindeer antler wreath toss” are also featured. The second part of the program is Free, and includes a short outdoor community Mill Lighting and Sing-a-long with an indoor visit from St. Nick, sponsored by the Friends of Nankin Mills. Refreshments provided. This is the 23<sup>rd</sup> year the Friends have held this event!