

**Wayne County Parks**  
**Nankin Mills Interpretive Center**  
33175 Ann Arbor Trail • Westland, Michigan 48185  
*September 2017*

Wayne County Parks Nankin Mills Interpretive Center will offer two adult programs in September to learn how to identify trees and shrubs. The first program is an indoor presentation and the following weekend a hike will be led by a naturalist in the Holliday Nature Preserve. Other weekends in September offer an opportunity for the whole family to make apple cider and popcorn and the Interpretive Center will host a very special and popular cultural event, Native American Heritage Day. Programs are held at Nankin Mills Interpretive Center unless otherwise noted.

**Native Tree and Shrub Identification - Indoors NEW PROGRAM**

**Saturday, September 9, 1:00 – 2:30 pm**

**Recommended for ages 12 and older, \$3 per person, add \$1 for non- county residents**

The forests of Michigan are home to a large variety of trees and shrubs. This indoor presentation will explore how to recognize different native woody plants throughout the seasons. Fun identification clues and facts about the plants will be shared so that you can enjoy hikes through Michigan's forests even more.



**Trekking for Trees and Shrubs - Outdoors**

**Saturday, September 16, 10:00 AM – Noon**

**Recommended for ages 12 and older, \$3 per person, add \$1 for non-county residents, prepare for mud and insects**

Meet the Park Naturalist at Nankin Mills Interpretive Center and we will hike across the street to the eastern section of Holliday Nature Preserve to explore a new trail established in this section. The new trail features plants unique to the forest wetlands, such as Spicebush and Buttonbush shrubs that we don't see in many other locations. Along the way, we will meet many forest floodplain and oak upland plants as well.

**Apple Cider and Popcorn**

**Saturday, September 16, 1:00 – 3:00 PM**

**All ages welcome, \$6 per child, \$2 per adult**

Experience the old-fashioned pioneer methods of food preparation by grinding apples into cider and husking corn off of the cob for popcorn. Afterwards, you will get to enjoy the fruits of your labors with some fresh cider and popcorn. Apples and corn are provided.



**Native American Heritage Day**

**Saturday, September 23, 1:00 – 5:00 PM**

**All ages welcome, FREE EVENT**

**Event is held at the Nankin Mills Picnic Area across from the Mill**

The North American Indian Association of Detroit has presented this wonderful event at Nankin Mills since 2002. A drumming circle will lead dancers in their beautiful regalia. Native crafts and food will be available for purchase. The whole family will enjoy experiencing the culture of Michigan's First People. Bring your own chairs or blankets, as seating is limited.