



PINERY ACTIVITIES

June 23rd – July 6th, 2018

The Visitor Centre features nature exhibits, an indoor theatre, and the Nature Store, which is operated by The Friends of Pinery Park. The Centre is always staffed by park naturalists who can help you learn how to maximize your experience at Pinery.

The Visitor Centre is open **Weekdays from 1 PM – 4 PM and Weekends from 10 AM - 5 PM.**

Visit often? Consider purchasing an Ontario Parks Annual Pass for day use, available online or at the Main Gate.

Please visit www.pinerypark.on.ca for more information.

Our **FREE Explore Pinery App** is now available on iTunes, Google Play and BlackBerry World.

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Saturday, June 23rd, 2018

- 11:00 AM Visitor Centre **Ask the Naturalist: Pinery's Hitchhikers** – Want to ensure you make it home without any unwanted hitchhikers? Avoid the bloodsucking bugs and annoying itches (also known as ticks and poison ivy) by listening to these helpful tips.
- 3:00 PM Visitor Centre **Afternoon Program: Under the Logs** – Imagine, you are walking through Pinery's Oak Savanna forest and stumble upon an area full of downed logs. You walk over to the log closest to you and decide to turn it over. Underneath the log is ... Come to the Visitor Centre to find out!

Sunday, June 24th, 2018

- 10:00 AM Wilderness Trail **Guided Hike: Good Things Come in Trees** – Did you know there are seven different species of oak trees living in Pinery? Join a park naturalist at Wilderness Trail to learn about identifying and appreciating these silent giants.
- 3:00 PM Visitor Centre **Ask the Naturalist: Turning a New Leaf** – Animals are not the only ones that need protecting; plants need our help too. Come learn about some of the rare plants found in Pinery and how we can help prevent them from disappearing forever.

Wednesday, June 27th, 2018

- 1:00 PM Visitor Centre **Ask the Naturalist: Masters of Migration** – Monarch butterflies fly south every year to spend the winter in Mexico. Come learn about their migration and how this epic journey has put this species at risk.

Thursday, June 28th, 2018

- 11:00 AM Park Store **Native Traditions** – Come to the Visitor Centre to discover four sacred plants that are found in Pinery, and how they are used as medicine by First Nations people.
- 9:00 PM Riverside Trail **Evening Hike: Naturally Nocturnal** – Join park naturalists on the Riverside Trail to stride into the kingdoms of some of Pinery's nocturnal creatures. **Please wear sturdy footwear. No pets and no flashlights please. Program is approximately 90 minutes in length.**

Friday, June 29th, 2018

- 3:00 PM Visitor Centre **Pinery Tales: Pinery's Ghosts** – There are a lot of animals to see at Pinery, but if you came camping 100 years ago, you would have been able to see even more. Come for story time to learn about species such as wolves and bears, and why we don't see them here anymore.
- 8:15 PM P 9 **Sunset Stroll**– Join park naturalists to learn how rolling waves and grains of sand created Pinery Park. Stroll along the shoreline to the walk's completion where you can marvel at the world-renowned Lake Huron sunset.

Saturday, June 30th, 2018

Family Fishing Week

- 10:30 AM Cedar Trail **Children's Hike: Hiding in the Woods** – Join a naturalist for a story time hike and learn about some of the sneaky creatures that have adapted to blend into Pinery's forests.
- 1:00 PM Visitor Centre **Ask the Naturalist: Awesome Opossum** – This mammal is often given a bad reputation and considered a 'pest' to some. However, these scavengers eat thousands of ticks and play an extremely important role in the ecosystem! Stop by the Visitor Centre to learn more.
- 9:00 PM Outdoor Theatre **Evening Program: Nocturnal Hunters** – Many species here in Pinery, both big and small, are incredible nocturnal hunters. Come learn about the creatures that are waking up as you go to sleep.

Did you enjoy our programs? **Let us know!** Leave a comment on [facebook](https://www.facebook.com/pineryprovpark) or [twitter @pineryprovpark](https://twitter.com/pineryprovpark) or leave a note on the back of your **camper comment card**.

Are you between the ages of **6 and 17**? Consider joining our **Junior Friends** or **Future Naturalist** programs. These programs allow you to get out and explore Pinery Provincial Park, while earning some memorable prizes. Stop by the Visitor Centre for more information and to sign up today!



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Sunday, July 1st, 2018

Happy Canada Day! 🇨🇦

11:00 AM Visitor Centre

Ask the Naturalist: Slithering Serpents – Snakes are amazing and misunderstood creatures that need your help. Find out why these small, harmless reptiles are often persecuted, and how you can protect Pinery’s snake species at risk.

1:00 PM Heritage Trail

Guided Hike: Eagles, Lizards and Snakes, OH MY! – Pinery is home to many species at risk. Come meet a naturalist to learn about different species that Pinery is continually working to protect, including eagles, lizards and snakes.

3:00 PM Visitor Centre

Pinery Tales: Pinery’s Tiny Tigers – Do you know what kind of tiger patrols the forest floors here at Pinery? Come to the Visitor Centre to find out. The answer may surprise you!

Monday, July 2nd, 2018

Family Fishing Week 🐟

10:30 AM Children’s Program Area

Children’s Program: Friends or Foes? – No living things would exist in Pinery without interactions with other species. Come learn which species are friends and which are foes! *The Children’s Program Area is located across from Sassafras Trail (previously Lookout Trail).* **Parents/guardians must accompany children.**

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Tuesday, July 3rd, 2018

Family Fishing Week 🐟

10:30 AM Riverside Trail

Guided Hike: Wacky Wildflowers – Walk, run, or *petal* over to the Riverside Trail to learn about the wacky world of wildflowers.

3:00 PM Park Store

Special Event: Be a Turtle Friendly Angler – Talk to our Turtle Technicians about how to safely fish around turtles, and exchange your barbed hooks for barbless hooks in our free hook exchange program.

Wednesday, July 4th, 2018

Family Fishing Week 🐟

3:30 PM Ooze and Gooze Dock

Ooze and Gooze – Come meet park naturalists, get 'oozy and goozy,' and explore the aquatic life and history of the Old Ausable Channel. **Closed-toes shoes are required (no Crocs please). Lifejackets are also required – a limited number will be available to borrow.**

9:00 PM Outdoor Theatre

Rum and Spirits – Come for the campfire, stay for the spirits! Listen to humans and ghosts as they spin their interpretations of events that shaped Pinery’s history. Please keep flashlights off during the program.

Thursday, July 5th, 2018

Family Fishing Week 🐟

11:00 AM Park Store

Special Event: Fishing Demo by the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority – Stop by the Park Store dock to observe a fishing demonstration by special guests from the ABCA, as well as learn about some of the different species of fish found in the Old Ausable Channel.

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Friday, July 6th, 2018

Family Fishing Week 🐟

3:00 PM Visitor Centre

Ask the Naturalist: Getting to the Root of it – You have seen the leaves and flowers, but do you know the underground mission of plants? Come to the Visitor Centre to dig into the secret life of plants.

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