



# Pinery Activities



From October 7th - October 22nd, 2017



The Visitor Centre features nature exhibits, an indoor theatre, The Friends of Pinery Nature Gift Shop, park naturalists and information. Our naturalists are here to help you learn about the wonders Pinery has to share. Visit often? Consider purchasing an Ontario Parks Annual Pass for day use. The Visitor Centre is open **from 10 AM - 5 PM on Saturday and Sunday**. Please visit [www.pinerypark.on.ca](http://www.pinerypark.on.ca) for more information.

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**Saturday**      **October**      **7**      **THANKSGIVING WEEKEND**

- 10:30 AM Cedar Trail **Guided Hike: Pinery's Hidden Society** - On a visit to Pinery it is common to see a raccoon or a chickadee, but there is a whole world of organisms all around us that stay out of our sight. Come to the Cedar Trail to learn about Pinery's hidden secrets and how dangerous they may be.
- 1:00 PM Visitor Centre **Ask the Naturalist: Turtles' Hurdles** - Did you know that 7 out of 8 species of turtles in Ontario are at risk? These turtles face many challenges from fishing, to crossing the road, to habitat loss. Come speak to a park naturalist to learn about the struggles of these shelled creatures.
- 3:00 PM Visitor Centre **Special Screening: Murder of Crows** - Crows play, use tools, solve problems, and might even recognize your face! This documentary will change the way you see these intelligent 'flying apes'. (44 min)

**Sunday**      **October**      **8**      **THANKSGIVING WEEKEND**

- 10:30 AM Visitor Centre **Ask the Naturalist: White Tailed Deer** - Join a park naturalist at the Visitor Centre to learn about the profound impact deer have had on Pinery over the years.
- 3:00 PM Visitor Centre **Special Screening: Mysteries of the Great Lakes** - Through the study of the Lake Sturgeon, a species that has been present in the Great Lakes since dinosaurs walked the earth, and which now balances precariously on the brink of extinction, a biologist works tirelessly to answer two critical questions... (45 min)

**Monday**      **October**      **9**      **THANKSGIVING WEEKEND**

- 11:00 AM Visitor Centre **Special Screening: Waterlife** - Waterlife is a sumptuous immersion into the extraordinary beauty and complex toxicity of the Great Lakes. Following the epic cascade from Lake Superior to the Atlantic Ocean, Waterlife reminds us of our essential connection to the water that we drink every day.

**Saturday**      **October**      **14**

- 10:30 AM Cedar Trail **Guided Hike: Species at Risk** - Learn more about the flora and fauna at Pinery that are at risk and find out how we can help them.
- 1:00 PM Visitor Centre **Ask the Naturalist: Soggy Powerhouse** - Working day and night, wetlands play an important role in our ecosystem. Come join a naturalist to learn about Pinery's own wetlands!
- 3:00 PM Visitor Centre **Special Screening: Raccoon Nation** - Over the past 70 years, raccoon populations have exploded in North American cities. Interactions with us are making them smarter! Find out about the black-eyed bandits in this fascinating film. (45 min)



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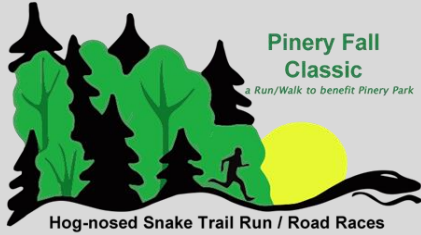


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**Sunday                      October                      15**



**Annual Pinery Fall Classic - a Run/Walk to Benefit Pinery Park** Run, jog, walk, or wheel your way through Pinery's Oak Savanna to help support the Friends of Pinery Park. The Fall Classic has contributed more than \$63,000 to support education, preservation, research and enhancement projects at Pinery! Online registration available. On-site registration begins at 8:00AM today; races begin at approximately 9:15 AM. For details, visit [www.pineryfallclassic.ca](http://www.pineryfallclassic.ca)

1:00 PM                      Visitor Centre                      **Ask the Naturalist: Turtles' Hurdles** - Did you know that 7 out of 8 species of turtles in Ontario are at risk? These turtles face many challenges from fishing, to crossing the road, to habitat loss. Come speak to a park naturalist to learn about the struggles of these shelled creatures.

3:00 PM                      Visitor Centre                      **Special Screening: The Messenger** - Su Rynard's award-winning new documentary explores our deep-seated connection to birds and warns that the uncertain fate of songbirds might mirror our own. (90 min)

**Friday                      October                      20**

**HALLOWE'EN WEEKEND**

7:00 PM                      Visitor Centre                      **Special Event: Naturally Nocturnal** - Join us in the indoor theatre for a slideshow presentation on Pinery's nocturnal creatures that go bump in the night! Then come out on the Cedar Trail for a night hike to experience some of those creatures first-hand. Sturdy footwear recommended; no flashlights or pets, please.

**Saturday                      October                      21**

**HALLOWE'EN WEEKEND**

11:00 AM                      Visitor Centre                      **Ask the Naturalist: Bats on our Radar** - Ontario's only true flying mammal needs your help! Come and learn about what Pinery is doing to help, and how you can too!

1:00 - 4:00 PM                      Visitor Centre                      **Special Event: Bat Box Building** - Build and take home a bat box for your local flying mammals! \$5.00 covers materials and supports the Friends of Pinery Park.

Dusk                      Riverside Campground                      **Special Event: Trick-or-treating & Scarecrow Contest** - Stroll through the campground and collect candy from marked sites. Look out for scarecrows as you go! Contest participants must pre-register at the Visitor Centre by 4:30PM today.

**Sunday                      October                      22**

**HALLOWE'EN WEEKEND**

11:00 AM                      Visitor Centre                      **Ask the Naturalist: Moths and Butterflies** - They look so similar to one another, how can you ever tell the difference? Flutter on down to the Visitor Centre to have all your moth and butterfly questions answered.

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